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Oregon Reach Code Committee

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Meeting Summary

****NOTE:** *The following is a summary of the committee's discussion.*

To review the meeting in its entirety, the archived video of the meeting is available on the committee's Web site at the following link: <http://www.bcd.oregon.gov/committees/1reachcode.html>

Members Present: Bill Clemens, Oregon Building Officials Association (OBOA)
Joe Esmonde, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW)
Tom Payne, Oregon Home Builders Association (OHBA)
Kate Turpin, SERA Architects
Rob Yorke, Associated Builders & Contractors (ABC)
Franco Martinec, Port of Portland

Members Absent: Seda Collier, Designer – City of Eugene
David Cohan, Northwest Energy efficiency Alliance (NEEA)
Jim Denno, Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE)

Guests Present: Graham Wright, Passive House
Jim Edelson, New Buildings Institute (NBI)
Carrie Cobb, Bonneville Power Administration
Glenn Hansen, PECE
Ron Copenhagen, Local 290
Stefan Lidington, OAR/ ASHRAE
Pam Triplett, Department of Human Services
Renee Loveland, Gerding-Edlen Development Company

Staff Present: Aeron Teverbaugh, Policy Analyst
Mark Campion, Policy Analyst
Mark Heizer, Policy Analyst
Dana Fischer, Building Code Para-Technical

Introductions

Aeron Teverbaugh, Policy Analyst, called the meeting to order at 1:45p.m. She welcomed the committee and guests. Ms. Teverbaugh explained that a sub-committee has been created and will meet for the first time next Wednesday, July 28th. She also stated that the next full committee meeting will be on August 18th.

Graham Wright representing Passive House, spoke to the committee, referring them to a [handout](#) on statistics between existing buildings, low energy buildings and passive house buildings which shows annual heat demand. He took a few minutes to explain the differences between each type.

Renee Loveland representing Gerding-Edlen Development Company gave a [presentation](#) on how the company is implementing energy efficiency within the boundaries of green construction. She explained that employee productivity increases within structures that use different types of energy efficiency; air quality being one those types. Ms. Loveland went on to explain many aspects of the company's accomplishments and how they support the industry. One of the ways is through innovative financing using lenders that offer tax credits and incentive programs. The committee provided comment and asked questions.

Break

The committee took a short break

Section 606 Envelope Systems

Ms. Teverbaugh explained how the committee will move through the chapter, reviewing the submitted code proposals for the sections as they are discussed.

Glen Hansen, PECE explained the proposal for creating an Appendix that occurs in many of their code proposals. In particular he addressed code proposal [RCcom-09](#)

Mark Heizer, Green Building Services explained the division will use the new 2010 Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code (OEESC) instead of the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) as the reference to energy provisions.

Motion to replace all references to the "IECC" with "OEESC" throughout the draft Reach Code document.

Motion approved unanimously.

Motion to accept BCD's proposal: The proposal will make it easy to correlate provisions of the OEESC with those of the Reach Code where there are similar provisions. The division will input "supplements, replaces or modifies" before the specific section of the OEESC where a provision of the Reach Code relates to the OEESC. That will allow designers, code officials and others to identify where a Provision of the OEESC has been replaced by a reach Code provision, supplemented or modified.

Motion approved unanimously.

Motion to approve as modified Section 606.1 as it relates to the appropriate code.

Motion approved unanimously.

Code Proposal [RC11com-08](#) for Table 606.1.1

Mr. Heizer explained the proposal to the committee. Jim Edelson stated that several proposals have been submitted to the national level during the 2012 IGCC adoption process.

TABLED: Motion to table discussion on the proposal and send to a subcommittee for review.

Motion approved unanimously.

The committee discussed the division's timeline and how to proceed with the development of the Reach Code along with the use of subcommittees. The committee expressed concerns of not knowing the technical aspects of how to approach the development of the Reach Code. Ms. Teverbaugh explained that the discussion of the Administrative chapters occurring at hearings at the national level can be reported to the committee after September 1, 2010. The committee could post-pone meetings until drafts have been approved at the national level, giving them a better base line of what to review.

The committee discussed their role as a policy advisory committee. They discussed that it did not seem to be a good use of time to table all the technical items. The administrative chapters could be addressed while the technical sub-committees did their work. The committee agreed to begin discussion on Chapters 1, 2, and 3 at the next meeting on August 18, 2010 and postpone discussion on remaining chapters until after the national hearings. BCD staff agreed to bring recommendations and policy issues back to the committee on Chapters 1, 2, and 3.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.