**Illinois Energy Conservation Advisory Council**

**Stretch Code Commercial Subcommittee**

**September 9, 2025, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Attendees**

Technical Advisors:

* Ben Rabe, NBI
* Sayali Lamne, NBI
* Scott Farbman, Energy Solutions

Council Members:

* Robert Coslow, Capital Development Board
* Rebecca Luke, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
* Susan Heinking Pepper Construction Company
* Kevin Roth
* Ryan Nation, Hanson Professional Services
* Saagar Patel, Equity Residential
* Harry Spila, HJS Consulting
* George Patterson, Bennett and Brosseau Roofing, Inc
* Darnell Johnson, Urban Efficiency Group, LL
* Alison Lindburg, City of Aurora
* John Meek, Felmley-Dickerson Company
* Michelle Sablack, WJW Architects

Guests:

* Danish Murtaza
* Johny Kocher, RMI
* Tom Culp, Birch Point Consulting LLC
* Maragaret Vaughn, CRCA
* Mark Gramham, CRCA
* Martha White
* Michael Rhodes PIMA
* Michelle Sablack – WJW Architects
* Troy Wormley, CRCA
* Ryan Siegal, Energy Sense
* Eric Lacey, RECA

**Agenda**

1. Call to Order
   1. Roll Call of Members
   2. Confirmation of a Quorum
   3. Webex recording
2. Action Items
   1. Approval of IECAC meeting minutes from the July 22, 2025, meeting.
   2. Review of the 2025/2026 Illinois Commercial Stretch Energy Code Draft 8-21-25. Possible motion to adopt.
3. Public comment
4. Motion to Adjourn

**Minutes**

* Kevin Roth motioned to approve the IECAC meeting minutes from the July 22, 2025 meeting, seconded by John B Meek. Motion passed unanimously.
* Ben Rabe at NBI presented EUI improvements by measures and errors flagged by reviewers in the code.
* Robert Coslow provided a walkthrough of the latest code draft and highlighted the updates.
* George Patterson motioned to remove the C03-T Envelope proposal, John Meek seconded it.
  + There was significant debate over exceeding CEJA SEI targets and concerns about associated costs. There is little room to be more stringent than the Base Code without exceeding the CEJA minimums.
  + Motioned failed 2-8. All voting no except George Patterson and John Meek voting yes.
  + PNNL will complete a cost analysis at a later date. NBI did think the 2 amendments in question were cost effective.
* Rebecca Luke motioned to approve the 8-21-25 Commercial Stretch Energy Code Draft with corrections to Table C402.1.2 and Table C402.5 and Kevin Roth seconded it.
  1. Motion approved 9-1. All voting yes except George Patterson voting no.
* During Public Comment Robert Coslow provided additional updates
  + JCAR meeting to discuss base code will take place on September 16
  + Final meeting to approve the draft residential stretch code will be tentatively on September 23
  + Final full council meeting to approve both stretch codes tentatively scheduled for September 30