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c/o Anne Gribbon, Secretary
Canadian Codes Centre / National Research Council
Building M-23A
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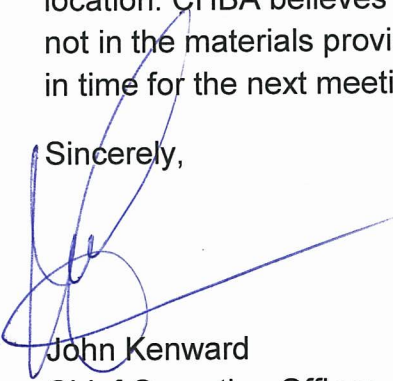
Re: National Energy Code for Buildings – Impact on Building Costs

Dear Mr. Clemmensen:

I am writing with regard to the costs of the proposed requirements contained in the National Energy Code for Buildings (NECB).

While we recognize that information is still being assembled, we have thus far not seen an analysis of the impacts of the proposed requirements on aggregate costs by building type and location. CHBA believes that it is essential that decisions are informed by this information. If it is not in the materials provided to the Commission, we hope that you will ask that it be developed in time for the next meeting of the full Commission.

Sincerely,


John Kenward
Chief Operating Officer

cc: CHBA Executive Board