

Melanie S. Griffin, Secretary

Ron DeSantis, Governor

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David Terry
President, National Association of State Energy Officials
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Dear Mr. Terry,

The Florida Building Commission will actively assist the National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO) and the University of Central Florida with the proposal to develop a resilience methodology overlay for the U.S. Department of Energy's Energy Code Compliance Field Study Methodology (DE-FOA-0003225). The Commission understands that the goal is to provide valuable information about how resilient new buildings, particularly from an energy resilience perspective, are to natural hazards in our state and can be scaled up to help other states assess this as well. We believe the findings will support our efforts to provide useful training material for building code compliance to stakeholders in our state.

The Florida Building Commission is a 17-member technical body responsible for developing, maintaining, and interpreting the Florida Building Code through a consensus-building process. The Florida Building Commission also approves products for statewide use, grants waivers to state-specific accessibility requirements, and approves advanced building code training courses. Members of the Florida Building Commission are appointed by the Governor and come from a wide variety of stakeholder groups. The Florida Building Commission has 11 technical advisory committees made up of subject matter experts for specific technical areas of the Florida Building Code. The Energy Technical Advisory Committee serves as the subject matter expert for energy-related code provisions and energy code compliance software development.

The Florida Building Commission will provide a forum for discussion, input, and guidance for this project, from inception to completion, through its Energy Technical Advisory Committee. Additionally, the Florida Building Commission will provide guidance to ensure that the project is technically sound and feasible. Finally, the Florida Building Commission will provide guidance and assistance with the implementation of any necessary pilot programs.

Sincerely,

Michael Bourré
Chairman, Florida Building Commission