



## **DOER Releases Draft Stretch Energy Code Regulations**

Dear Stretch Code Stakeholders,

The Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources (DOER) is pleased to release draft code language for its Stretch Energy Code and Specialized Municipal Opt-in Code:

- **Summary Document Explaining the Stretch Energy Code and Specialized Opt-in Code Language**
- **Residential Low-Rise Stretch Energy Code and Specialized Opt-in Code Language** (red-line of applicable code sections)
- **Commercial and Other Stretch Energy Code and Specialized Opt-in Code Language** (red-line of applicable code sections)

DOER's Draft Regulations have been filed with the Secretary of State on June 24.

These codes are now open for public comment. Additional important information can be found [here](#) and below:

1. The public comment period will be open until 5:00 p.m. EST on August 12<sup>th</sup>. Written comments are encouraged via email to [stretchcode@mass.gov](mailto:stretchcode@mass.gov) with the words BUILDING CODE COMMENTS in the subject line. Alternatively, comments can be submitted via mail to Ian Finlayson, Department of Energy Resources, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 1020, Boston, MA 02114.
2. DOER will provide an overview of the code language and responses to frequently asked questions during a recorded webinar on **July 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m.** Register in advance for the webinar [here](#).
3. DOER will hold three public hearings to take comments on the draft regulations. More information can be found [here](#) and below. Please email

[stretchcode@mass.gov](mailto:stretchcode@mass.gov) to sign up to provide public comment or to request interpretation services.

Date	Time	Location
July 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2022	9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Fisheries and Wildlife Road Westborough, MA 01581
August 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2022	5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Thomas Crane Public Library 40 Washington Street, Quincy, MA 02169
August 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	<u>Virtual</u>

4. DOER has convened a Stretch Energy Code Technical Advisory Committee (SE-TAC) of code experts to review and provide technical feedback on the code language. Information on the SE-TAC can be found [here](#). Meetings will be open to the public for those who would like to listen.

5. Public comments received by DOER on its Stretch Energy Code Straw Proposal can be found [here](#).

Thank you for engagement in this process and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,  
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