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From: Sent: To: Subject: smtprelay Wednesday, June 26, 2019 3:55 PM Statements Statement of Position Submitted by Amy Musser

# **Statement of Position Submitted**

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## Message

As a ratepayer and leader of an energy efficiency company in Western North Carolina, I cannot stress enough how much DEP's Residential New Construction Program has done to promote efficiency, save money, and reduce greenhouse gasses in North Carolina. The incentive has produced quantifiable savings. Our company performs home energy ratings in both DEP and DEC territory, and I can testify firsthand that we are seeing more savings in the DEP territory where the incentive has been in place for several years. Having the incentives available in DEC territory would be good for residents of our state. It's been frustrating to be on the sidelines as a member of the public, not really knowing what the opposition to the expansion is, or what may have been done to try to resolve it. Knowing that the commission's mission is to serve ratepayers, it's difficult to see how the energy savings, avoidance of the need for additional generation capacity (peaker plants), less use of peak power, and reduced pollution is not a clear winner. I'm asking the commission to go back and work with these parties to advocate on behalf of ratepayers and try to revive incentive options for the DEC territory.

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From: Sent: To: Subject: smtprelay Wednesday, June 26, 2019 2:14 PM Statements Statement of Position Submitted by Sam Ruark-Eastes

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### Message

Dear NCUC, As energy efficiency and green building program implementer throughout Western NC and the state as a whole we, and our builder members, highly value DEP's Residential New Construction Program. These incentives motivate builders and clients to design and construct homes advanced in energy efficiency. Having these incentives available for DEC territory would greatly assist those residents and building professionals in creating homes that are more comfortable, less expensive to heat and cool, and better for the environment. We know that DEC has tried to work with the gas utilities to come to an agreement to bring these incentives to the DEC territory. It is our understanding that those negotiations didn't yield a positive result and talks have stopped. We are asking for the Commission to weigh in on this matter and direct DEC and the gas utilities to work together to bring these excellent incentives to the DEC territory. Having your leadership on this matter could bring a positive influence to a situation that has become stalled. If you have any questions please contact me. Thank you, Sam Ruark-Eastes Executive Director Green Built Alliance Asheville, NC 828-301-0774

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