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Commissioner Anthony Eggert Commissioner Jeffrey Byron California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, Ca 95814-5514

Re: Green Building Ordinance and the Building Energy Efficiency Standards

Dear Commissioners Eggert and Byron,

Per the request of Commission Staff, we would like to express to you our firm commitment to have the City of Sebastopol enforce the current Title 24 Building Energy Efficiency Standards as part of the implementation of our local energy ordinance. As the Chief Building Official, I will work with my staff involved in energy plan review and field inspection to improve their working knowledge of the energy standards. This includes special training as needed which focuses on enforcement of the energy standards and the special requirements of the Ordinance.

On October 5, 2010, I presented to the City Council, the Green Building Ordinance and the Energy Cost Effective Study. The Council recognized the study analysis showing energy saving, and cost effectiveness, and opened the public hearing at their October 5, 2010 regular calendar business meeting. The Ordinances and Study were approved by the Council.

Additionally, per the request of Commission Staff, language was amended in the Green Building Ordinance to reflect Commission Staff comments for the Ordinance to require the demonstration of compliance with the California Building Energy Efficiency Standards (Title 24, part 6) of the California Building Code. This language change also reflects the City's commitment to enforce these standards as the minimum required by code.

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