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Reference: Concerns on HF 772

Representative Larry Kraft
515 State Office Building
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Representative Kraft and honorable members of the Climate and Energy Finance and Policy Committee:

Our organizations deeply value energy efficiency and the commercial building sector. For decades our utilities have helped our customers reach their energy efficiency goals. Unfortunately, we must express concerns with HF 772 in its current form. Our concerns include timeline and cost-effective implementation of net zero energy use in buildings in Minnesota's harsh climate. We are aware of the potential for modified language, or a separate bill, from the Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) on this topic and are interested to learn more. As stakeholders affected by codes legislation, we would greatly appreciate an opportunity to participate in ongoing discussions and language considerations with all parties.

Sincerely,

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