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Energy Efficiency and Housing Advisory Panel - Wednesday, September 30, 2020

At the second Energy Efficiency and Housing Panel meeting on Wednesday, September 30, Panel members discussed and provided supplementary considerations to incorporate in the Panel's scope including energy efficiency measures for new construction, retrofit/electrification readiness for affordable housing, equity implications, behavior and usage, market signals needed, building performance metrics, workforce training programs, remediation of old power station sites, among others. Following which, state staff outlined and identified the members of the 3 newly formed subgroups: residential, multi-family, and commercial and institutional buildings. Subgroups will meet during the week of October 5, 2020. Though they will initially be closed to the public, the Panel was advised, in response to questions raised by several members, that each subgroup could choose to make subsequent meetings open to the public and industry experts. After a synopsis of the NY Building and Housing Policy Landscape, the chair made several requests of the Panel: volunteer to work with the Land Use and Local Government Panel on climate adaptation and resilience strategies, provide foundational research using SharePoint, and give further input on the work plan by October 2. The public is also welcomed to provide comments via email. Findings from the subgroups will be discussed at the next Panel meeting in November 2020. Presentations and notes from past Advisory Panels and Working Groups meetings can be found here.