



To: The Massachusetts Energy Efficiency Advisory Council (EEAC)

From: The Boston Green Ribbon Commission Commercial Real Estate and Health Care Working Groups,

Re: C&I update

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A Better City and Health Care Without Harm, representing the Green Ribbon Commission's Commercial Real Estate and Health Care Working Groups are very pleased with the quality of content, teaching pedagogy and generally high ratings our participants gave the recent Eversource/National Grid-sponsored Building Operator Certification (BOC) Level 1 training that was piloted with A Better City members and run by the Northwest Energy Efficiency Council (NEEC).

Participant and institutional feedback included strong interest in a follow up training specific to HVAC controls, which doesn't currently exist as a standalone training offered by or sponsored by the utilities. We would very much like to work with the utilities to develop such a training. A Better City will be holding a focus group with attendees from the BOC Level 1 training (which included Partners HealthCare and Boston Medical Center) and members of their sustainability group in September to gather information on what training structure and course content would best suit their needs. In Q1 2020 a health care sector training, currently under discussion with the City of Boston, BOC/NEEC and utilities, may also be an opportunity to help set course goals, content, etc.

We also continue to be interested in the establishment of a C&I Working Group, or some similar process, which could strengthen stakeholder engagement and coordination to increase the amount and persistence of savings, and assist with efforts such as the launch of the Equipment & Systems Performance Optimization (ESPO) program.