

Being a home builder and general contractor in southeastern Massachusetts we are tasked with the opportunity and challenge of creating livable spaces that not only are well-constructed, safe, and comfortable for our clients, but also meet and exceed the required federal, state, and local building and energy codes for new construction. These codes provide a baseline regulation of energy efficiency standards for our products, it also ensures our clients they are purchasing a home that is built with the purposes of energy efficiency and having cost-effective end-use operations. The home building business is a dynamic field in which we are always looking to incorporate new energy efficiency standards that are cost effective to implement and work with our home designs and are practical in the New England region. Hopefully, the field of sustainable building technology keeps advancing and the price of these new technologies become even more attainable so that even low-income and affordable units can reap the benefits of an energy efficient home. I'm grateful to be in this industry at a time when such advancements in construction technologies and local and state policies are allowing for and promoting energy efficient practices throughout all housing sectors. As a member of the council, I can provide a viewpoint from the tangible application of home construction and the need for energy efficient homes. Also, I will be able to speak directly about the impacts these related policies have not only to a local small business, but also onto our clients' needs as homeowners in Massachusetts. Thank you for this opportunity to serve the commonwealth and to work with the EEAC, I look forward to working with the council.