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From: Cindy L. Wasser <cwasser@homeinnovation.com>
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To: Chris Austin; Russ Griffin
Subject: Input for 2021 QAP

Importance: High

Dear Chris and Russ,

On behalf of Home Innovation Research Labs, I am writing to share feedback to inform the 2021 North Carolina QAP.

We were pleased to hear that NCHFA will be updating the QAP to more current energy or green building standards; it will create affordable housing that is better for residents, property managers and the surrounding community. **We strongly recommend NCHFA to select a recognized third-party energy or green building program.** Examples of reputable national programs include Enterprise Green Communities, NGBS Green, and LEED. Third-party programs are familiar to the affordable housing industry and provide other benefits, like training, technical assistance and quality assurance. This approach will reduce NCHFA staff time commitment and align North Carolina with surrounding states.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions about this recommendation.

Sincerely,
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