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From: Ryan Miller <ryan@buildingnc.org>
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To: RentalHelp
Subject: 2021 QAP Comments Follow-Up

Dear Mr. Austin and NCHFA,

As a follow-up to [our April comments](#) on the 2021 QAP, I am writing to thank and recognize the agency for taking an important step forward in improving the minimum energy efficiency standards in the proposed 2021 QAP to the new ENERGY STAR Multifamily New Construction Certification Program. As we previously commented, this program is our recommendation for the minimum standard and will result in better, more energy efficient properties for developers and units for tenants. Thank you for making this change.

While we recognize that further progress to require or incentive high performance measures and additional third party programs such as NGBS, LEED, Passive House, Enterprise and others would be a significant step forward for the program, we are encouraged by this step. Our association, our members and our partners stand ready to support the agency, developers, contractors and others in this transition. We look forward to further energy efficiency and building performance improvements in the standards and incentives in 2022.

Thank you very much for this good step for affordable energy efficient construction standards.

Sincerely,
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