

1 **Northwest Public Power Association**
2 **Resolution 2019-01**
3 **Energy Efficiency**
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5 **Background**
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7 NWPPA agrees that energy efficiency can assist members to meet challenges of increased
8 energy demand, costs and regulation. Energy efficiency gains can help offset increased costs
9 associated with market power purchases, construction or acquisition of additional generating
10 resources, and increased costs related to state and federal renewable portfolio standards, and
11 potential impacts of climate change legislation. Additionally, implementation of energy
12 efficiency standards for buildings nationwide would reduce greenhouse gas emissions, lessen
13 demands on the power grid, improve air quality, and save energy for electric consumers.
14 Energy efficiency technologies, applications and building standards can create jobs, which
15 benefit local economies. New investments and incentives for energy efficiency help to raise
16 awareness of the benefits of energy efficiency, increase consumer installations and savings,
17 and, create demand for and development of additional technologies that support energy
18 independence.
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20 **NWPPA's Position**
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- 22 • NWPPA urges Congress to support all cost-effective, technically feasible, and achievable
23 energy efficiency measures.
- 24 • NWPPA supports training programs that build an energy efficiency workforce for the
25 future.
- 26 • NWPPA supports a coordinated effort at all levels of government to inform the public
27 about the benefits of cost effective energy efficiency.
- 28 • NWPPA supports national model energy efficiency building codes and appliance
29 standards.
- 30 • NWPPA believes that national model energy efficiency building standards must be
31 flexible enough to account for variations among regions in the country with regard to
32 building materials and available technologies.
- 33 • NWPPA urges Congress to create a model national building standards program that
34 would not pre-empt more stringent state codes that are in effect.
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36 Origination Date: 2009. Revised in 2011, 2012, 2017 and 2018.
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