

# The Partnership for Advanced Windows Solutions (PAWS) Ratings, Codes & Certifications Working Group Charter

## *Mission, Strategy, Process, Operations*



### Mission Statement

The PAWS Ratings, Codes & Certifications Working Group works with stakeholders across window industry sectors (residential and commercial, new construction and retrofit) to support and create market transformation opportunities for high performance primary and attachment window products through engagement in regulatory and certification processes in order to achieve carbon reduction and net zero energy building goals.



### Strategic Goals

The goals of the PAWS Ratings, Codes & Certifications Working Group are to:

- Bring to PAWS stakeholders awareness of primary and attachment window ratings, codes and certification related activity at national and regional levels.
- Coordinate with PAWS partners and stakeholders to contribute industry expertise in response to ratings, codes and certification proposals in order to accelerate adoption of high performance primary and attachment window products.
- Drive demand for high performance primary and attachment window products by advocating for rating, codes and certifications to establish minimum performance criteria in support of achieving carbon reduction and net zero energy building goals.
- Develop a go-to information resource for PAWS partners and supporters interested in contributing to the development and updating of standards for primary and attachment window products.



### Tactical Functions (Value Proposition)

The critical tasks of the PAWS Stakeholder Campaign Working Group are to:

- Identify and track relevant ratings, codes and certification activities at national and regional levels.
  - Develop a library of relevant ratings, codes and certifications that are under development or in the process of being updated.

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- Minimize duplicate efforts in responding to standards developments, and facilitate an inclusive, coordinated, consensus response reflecting partner and stakeholder priorities.
- Identify opportunities to influence the development of rating, codes and certifications in order to expand availability and accelerate adoption of high performance primary and attachment window products.
  - Offer technical support and 'voice-of-the-industry' feedback to standard-setting bodies.
  - Collaborate with manufacturers and other supply side actors to align product requirements with product availability.



## Group Operational Ground Rules/Administrative Information

*The following describes the internal operational structure and processes of the PAWS Stakeholder Campaign Working Group.*

### PAWS Ratings, Codes & Certifications Working Group Team:

- Leadership: **Robert Hart, LBNL** (rghart@lbl.gov); **Rick Dunn, NEEA** (rdunn@nea.org)
- PAWS Ratings, Codes & Certifications Working Group Representative Responsibilities:
  - Attend regular monthly meetings
  - Contribute to idea generation during meetings and data calls
  - Provide project support as appropriate

### Meetings:

- Recurring Time: Quarterly, or other as determined by Working Group members
- Link: To be included in meeting invite
- Meeting format: Co-leads share agenda for comment; leads discussion across agenda topics, with participation from all members support

### New Member Process:

- Email the following information to the Co-Leads:
  - Name
  - Role
  - Organization
  - Email
- Introductory information will be shared to provide up-to-date view of the current PAWS Ratings, Codes & Certifications Working Group focus.

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