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To Whom It May Concern:

I believe replacing gas water heaters and furnaces with heat pump technology is a good idea for the environment, however, as many commenters have pointed out, the additional cost will likely be an immense hardship for many people.

My own research into heat pumps shows that the cost is approximately twice that of existing gas appliances. Possibly more if electric work is required. This presents a huge problem for those unable to afford such lavish upgrades. The rules MUST be promulgated in such a way so as not burden those in lower or fixed income brackets.

Additionally, because most folks are not familiar with how heat pumps work, information regarding this subject should be included and easily accessible on the Proposed Amended Rules webpages.

Sincerely,

Ruth Brissenden, J.D.