

Yukon Legislative Assembly

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Hon. John Streicker Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources P.O. Box 2703 Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 2C6

Dear Minister Streicker,

Members of the contracting community have raised a concern with us about a policy change in the Department of Energy Mines and Resources that affects the permitting of houses. Our understanding is that previously, pictures of the building showing that it was "clad to weather" were sufficient for the completion of the transfer of title. The change that has occurred now requires that final permits for occupancy need to be in place before title transfer can occur.

This change has resulted in a delay between when a contractor completes a build and the time at which they can sell the unit. Our understanding is that delay is typically around 30 days.

I would like to inquire about why this policy change was made, and what steps have been taken to communicate this change with the contracting community. Can you please provide an explanation of the previous policy, the current policy, and the nature and reasoning of the change?

Sincerely.

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