
Solar America Board for Codes and Standards

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What is our Mission ?

The *Solar ABCs* identifies current issues, establishes a dialogue among key stakeholders, and catalyzes appropriate activities to support the development of codes and standards that facilitate the installation of high quality, safe photovoltaic systems.



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The banner features a blue-to-green gradient background with the text 'Solar America Board for Codes and Standards' in white. To the right of the text is a collage of four images: two workers installing solar panels on a roof, a bright sun in a blue sky, and a house with solar panels on its roof.

How we are going to do that:

- Coordinate revisions of interrelated solar codes and standards
- Include stakeholders in the process of setting national priorities
- Maintain a central repository for dissemination of documents, regulations, technical materials
- Operate three key services:
 - Produce 'best practices' materials
 - Answer questions (technical or statutory)
 - Provide information to DOE and other government agencies

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How you can participate:

- Provide input
 - For specific codes and standards
 - For GAP Analysis
- Receive information

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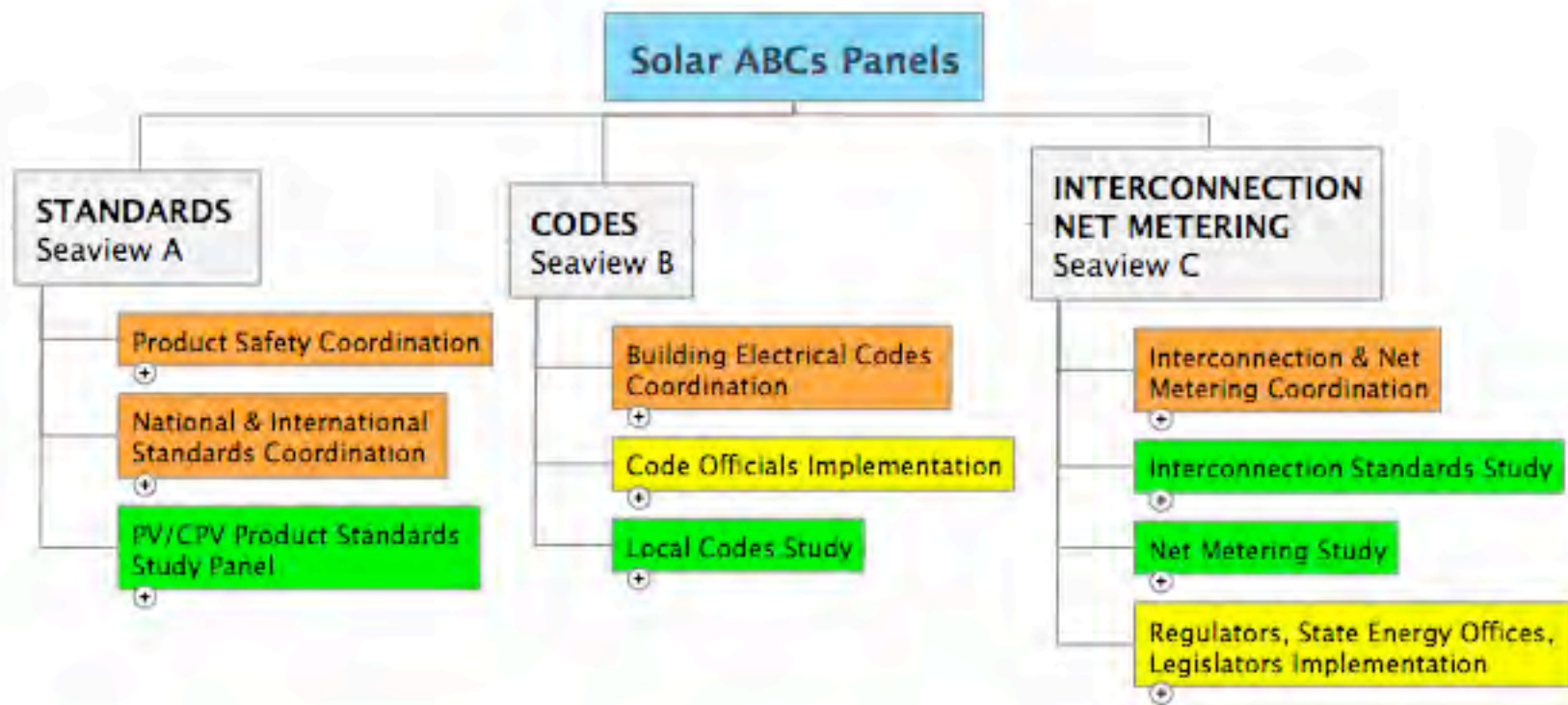


Codes and Standards are made by designated bodies. How will my working with *Solar ABCs* make any difference?

- Stakeholders will have voice within each of the *Solar ABCs* panels.
- You help determine the products of the Solar ABCs panel (documents, recommendations, priorities, etc.),
- Most of the *Solar ABCs* partners belong to one or more of the code and standard writing bodies

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Coordination Panels

Enable communication and planning across the different codes and standards setting processes addressed by each panel.

Product Safety

National &
International
Standards

Building Electrical
Codes

Interconnection &
Net Metering

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Implementation Panels

Provide communication, outreach, and training for PV stakeholders.

Local Codes

Regulators
State Energy Offices
Legislators

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Study Panels

Analyze issues important to developing PV codes and standards. The *Solar ABCs* Steering Committee will use Study Panel results to set priorities for future work.

PV/CPV Standards

Interconnection Standards

Local Codes

Net Metering



Gap Analysis

- Current state of the major codes and standards that bear on PV.
- Generate a summary report to DOE and a
- Prioritized set of guidelines for all future Solar ABCs activities.

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Solar ABCs Steering Committee



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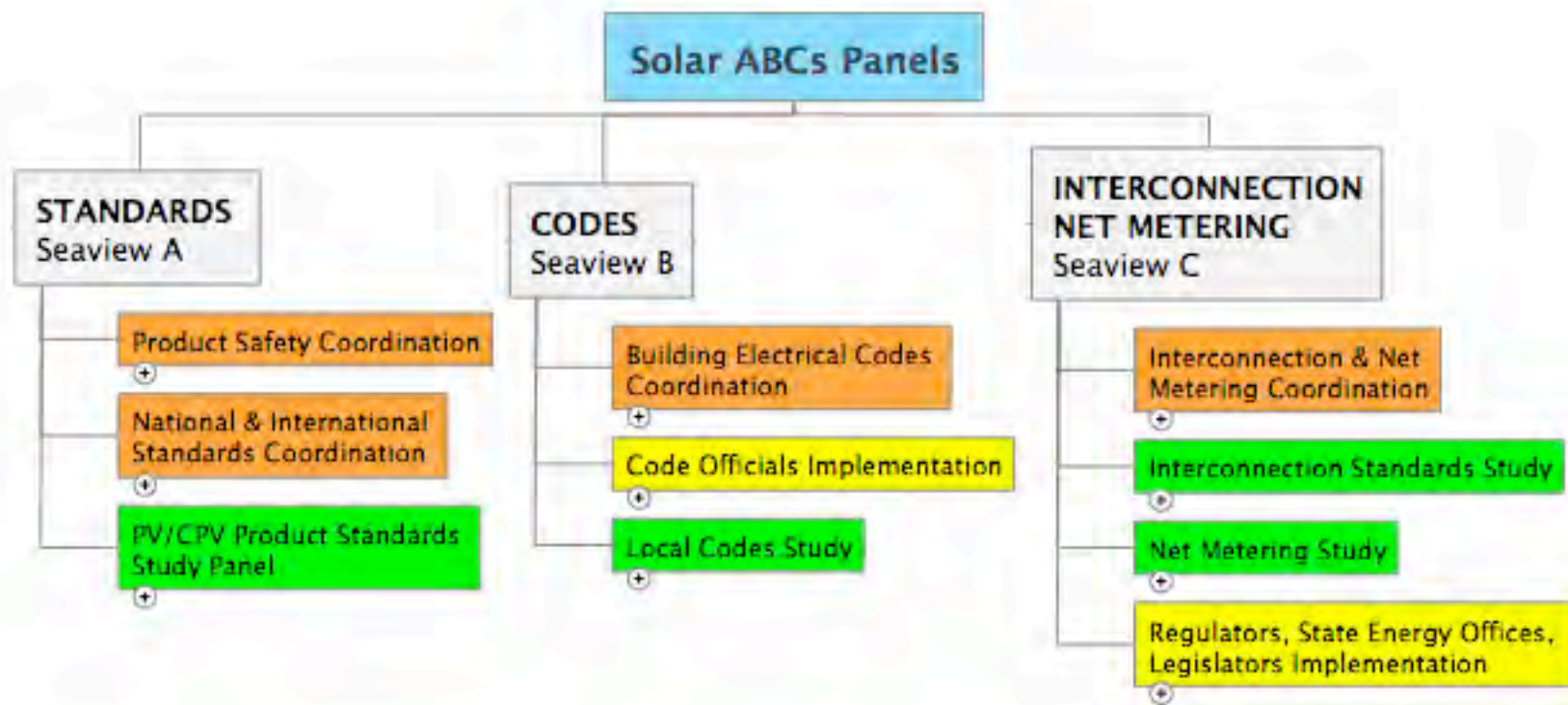


What now?

- Provide input to any Panel through
 - Stakeholder Meetings
 - Discussions Forums
- Receive quarterly Solar ABCs Newsletter
 - Report on Panel Activities
 - List opportunities for involvement in future activities
- www.solarabcs.org
- Contact Project Administrator Larry Sherwood (Larry@SherwoodAssociates.com)

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