Re: Final report of the voting on the triennial revisions to the Uniform Construction Code

Madam Secretary:

The purpose of this letter is to clarify the report that the Uniform Construction Code Review and Advisory Council (RAC) sent to you dated May 29, 2015. The revisions adopted by the RAC in that report are identified by International Code Council (ICC) revision number. The revision documents make reference to particular sections in the ICC Codes; however, in some instances the section number contained in the code change documents referenced by the RAC in its report differs from the section number where the adopted language was ultimately codified in the 2015 ICC codes. For this reason, the RAC confirms the following clarifications accurately reflect the RAC’s adopted revisions.

RAC approved Revision: IBC G28-12

The revision adopted by the RAC was codified as described in IBC G28-12 at IBC-2015 §§304.1, 306.2, 2902.3 and IFC-2015 § 202. Please note, IBC G28-12 only incorporated the specific changes to the definition of “Business Group B” as codified IFC-2015 § 202; other revisions to IFC-2015 § 202 where not adopted by this revision.

RAC approved Revision: IBC G30-12

The revision adopted by the RAC was codified as described in IBC G30-12 at IBC-2015 § 304.1 and IFC-2015 § 202. Please note, IBC G30-12 only incorporated the specific changes enumerated to the definition of “Business Group B” into IFC-2015 § 202; other revisions to IFC-2015 § 202 where not adopted by this revision. In conjunction, IBC G28-12 and IBC G30-12 have the effect of adopting all revisions to the definition of “Business Group B” found at IFC-2015 §202.

RAC approved Revision: IBC G227-12

The revision adopted by the RAC as described in IBC G227-12 was ultimately codified at IEBC-2015 § 406.3. As described by IBC G227-12, the revision adopted as codified at IEBC-2015 § 406.3 should also be incorporated into the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code as IBC § 3407.3. Due to a separate revision, not adopted by the RAC, the ICC has otherwise deleted Chapter 34 from the IBC-2015, thus causing the language of IBC G227-12 to not be codified at IBC-2015 § 3407.3.
RAC approved Revision: IECC RE6-13

The revision adopted by the RAC as described in IECC RE6-13 was ultimately codified at IECC-2015 § R202 and IRC-2015 § N1101.6. Please note, IECC RE6-13 only incorporated the definition of “Insulated Siding” and not any other definition contained within these sections that may have also been updated by the ICC.

RAC approved Revision: IECC RE58-13

The revision adopted by the RAC as described in IECC RE58-13 was ultimately codified at IECC-2015 § 402.2.4 and IRC-2015 § N1102.2.4.

RAC approved Revision: IECC RE60-13

The revision adopted by the RAC as described in IECC RE60-13 was ultimately codified at IECC-2015 § R402.2.8 & Table R402.4.1.1 and IRC-2015 § N1102.2.8 and Table N1102.4.1.1. Please note, IECC RE60-13 only incorporated revisions to the “Floors” row of the above referenced tables.

RAC approved Revision: IECC RE195-13 Part 1

The revision adopted by the RAC as described in IECC RE195-13 Part 1 was ultimately codified at IECC-2015 § 402.1.3 and IRC-2015 § N1102.1.3.

RAC approved Revision: IFC F144-13

The revision adopted by the RAC as described in IFC F144-13 was ultimately codified at IBC-2015 §§ 902.1, 904.2, 904.2.1, 904.11, 904.11.1, 904.11.1.1, 804.11.1.2, 904.11.1.3, 904.11.1.4, 904.11.2, 904.11.2.1, 904.11.2.2, 904.11.2.3, & 904.11.3 and IFC-2015 §§ 902.1, 904.2, 904.2.1, 904.11, 904.11.1, 904.11.1.1, 804.11.1.2, 904.11.1.3, 904.11.1.4, 904.11.2, 904.11.2.1, 904.11.2.2, 904.11.2.3, & 904.11.3. Please note, IFC F144-13 only incorporated the definition of “Automatic Water Mist System” as codified at IBC-2015 § 902.1 and IFC-2015 §§ 202 & 902.1; other changes to these definitional sections were not adopted by this revision.

RAC approved Revision: IFC F359-13

The revision adopted by the RAC was codified as described in IFC F359-13 at IFC-2015 §§ 907.2.11.3 & 907.2.11.4 and IBC-2015 §§ 907.2.11.3 & 907.2.11.4.

RAC approved Revision: IMC M106-12

The revision adopted by the RAC as described in IMC M106-12 was ultimately codified at IMC-2015 § 507.2. Please note, this revision, although codified at IMC-2015 § 507.2, affects IMC-2009 § 507.2.1.
RAC approved Revision: IRC RB68-13

The revision adopted by the RAC was codified as described in IRC RB68-13 at IRC-2015 Table R302.1(1).

RAC approved Revision: IRC RB172-13

The revision adopted by the RAC was codified as described in IRC RB172-13 at IRC-2015 § R316.5.11.

RAC approved Revision: IRC RB262-13

The revision adopted by the RAC as described in IRC RB262-13 was ultimately codified at IRC-2015 § R507.2.4 and Figure R507.2.3(2).

RAC approved Revision: IRC RB264-13

The revision adopted by the RAC as described in IRC RB264-13 was ultimately codified at IRC-2015 §§ R317.1.4, R507.1, R507.4, R507.5, R507.5.1, R507.6, R507.7, R507.7.1, R507.8, R507.8.1; Tables R507.4, R507.5, R507.8; and Figures R507.5, R507.6, R507.7.1, R507.8.1.

RAC approved Revision: IRC RM34-13

The revision adopted by the RAC was codified as described by IRC RM34-13 at IRC-2015 § M1503.4.

RAC approved Revision: IRC RM53-13

The revision adopted by the RAC was codified as described by IRC RM53-13 at IRC-2015 § M1601.4.1, Exception 3. Please note, IRC RM53-13 only revised Exception 3 of IRC-2015 § M1601.4.1.

I believe these clarifications will allow the Department to promulgate these RAC approved revisions.

Sincerely,

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