

STATE FIRE PREVENTION AND BUILDING CODE COUNCIL TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting of the technical subcommittee reviewing the **2006 International Energy Conversation Construction Code** for adoption by New York State, held at the Albany office of the New York State Department of State, Albany, New York, on September 17, 2007.

APPEARANCES:

Gary Cassaro, member (by conference call)
Frank Champitto, member (by conference call)
George Christopher, member (by conference call)
Scott Copp, member (by conference call)
Michael DeWein, member (by conference call)
Mark Eggers, member (by conference call)
Scott Frank, member (by conference call)
Adam Hinge, member (by conference call)
Laurie Kerr, member (by conference call)
John Jones, member (by conference call)
Michael McGowan, member (by conference call)
Michael Burnetter, DOS
Joseph Hill, DOS, Committee Chairman
Craig Connor, public (by conference call)
Jean Cox, public

MEETING MINUTES:

Joseph Hill opened the meeting at approximately 10:00 A.M., there being a quorum of members present by conference call. He reviewed the agenda, meeting schedule and housekeeping arrangements. The members were then introduced.

Joseph Hill opened to floor to discussion on the meeting minutes on September 10th, as well as discussion of any other old business. No old business forthcoming for discussion, Joseph Hill asked for a vote on the approval of the meeting minutes for September 10th. Michael DeWein commented that his request for a hard copy of the NYS ECCC be sent to each subcommittee member should be included in the minutes. This being approved, Joseph Hill asked for motion to accept, and the minutes were approved.

Joseph Hill then opened the floor to discussion on procedures on annotating the 2006 IECC. No discussion being forthcoming, Joseph Hill moved the discussion to the Committee Action Chart.

Section 101.4 Applicability required no discussion.

Section 101.4.4.1 was discussed, and Laurie Kerr asked for clarification of the section, adding that large additions should not be considered under this section, as it could lead to little or no energy savings with an increased cost.

It was proposed that commercial additions should be exempted from Section 101.4.4.1. Section 101.4.4.2 was discussed, and the alterations suggested in the September 10th meeting were accepted.

Section 101.4.5 was discussed, and Michael Burnetter proposed an addition clarifying that a change in space conditioning which results in a previously nonconditioned space becoming conditioned is by definition a building addition.

Section 101.4.4.2 was discussed, and Laurie Kerr asked for clarification on exceptions 7 and 8. It was explained that the exceptions only pertained to alterations which replace 50% or more of a building system or subsystem.

Craig Connor proposed that the reference to a mean temperature of 75F be removed from Section 102.1.4, as the Federal Trade Commission sets the mandated temperature and is therefore binding. Michael Burnetter proposed making the test materials more obvious. The proposals are being taken into consideration.

It was proposed by the quorum that Section 104.2 be clarified, with language added to specify where the role of a registered design professional is required and is not required in energy compliance documentation.

Section 104.3 required no discussion.

The deletion of Section 104.3.3 faced no opposition.

Chapter 2 -Definition of "Conditioned Space" was questioned by John Jones. DOS staff will examine for determination of clarification and possible re-write of definition of "Conditioned Space".

There was no discussion required on the changes and additions to or Chapter 3.

The modification to 402.2.3 Access Hatches and Doors proposed in the September 10th meeting was approved.

Joseph Hill raised concerns over the durability of certain types of mass walls referenced in Section 402.2.4. His concerns were noted and will be addressed.

Concerns over the wording in Section 402.4 were raised by member of the public, Craig Connor. It was felt by Craig, Joseph, and several members of the Subcommittee that the phrasing of the Section was misleading, and that the referenced Section 402.1.4 was not needed, and causes confusion. A proposal to remove this section reference was agreed upon to be proposed by Joseph Hill.

Joseph Hill entertained a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:30 PM.