



## **STATE FIRE PREVENTION AND BUILDING CODE TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING**

### **PLUMBING MECHANICAL AND FUEL GAS CODE TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING**

Minutes of the June 20, 2012 teleconference meeting of the technical subcommittee reviewing the **2009 & 2012 International Plumbing, Mechanical and Fuel gas Codes** for adoption by New York State.

PRESENT: Cheryl Fischer  
John Addario  
Peter Campito  
Jeff Econom  
Douglas Page  
Sal Pennelle  
John Williams

#### **Meeting Minutes:**

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 1:30 PM with 5 of 7 members present. Members listed were present by teleconference. A quorum was present.
- 2) John Williams noted that in his review of the base 2012 IPC that many of the changes are an improvement from our current version.
- 3) The committee discussed the issue of flushing and disinfection of the potable water system. Requirements for flushing and disinfecting were that appear in the ASPE document were discussed. The committee voted to accept a proposal to add the requirement for removal of faucet aerators and/or screens during flushing operations and to re-install aerators and/or screens when complete. This is for both the residential code and commercial plumbing.
- 4) John Williams noted that he has had discussions with Charlotte pipe in regard to PVC piping used as flue vents. He was going to do more research and provide any information provided by the manufacturer. The item was tabled for further research.

- 5) The committee briefly discussed waterless trap primers. The International Code Council ES-PMG has a listing for waterless trap primer devices which could be allowed under Section 103 titled "Alternative Materials, Methods and Equipment."
- 6) The committee discussed the requirements for a service sink and the current exception that a hose bib along with a floor drain is sufficient in some cases. The committee voted to include current Section 428 titled "Service Sinks" noted in Table 403.1 footnote "g".
- 7) Pressure testing PVC piping with air was discussed. It was noted that the 2012 IPC still prohibits air testing of PVC.
- 8) The committee discussed the requirement for grease interceptors and the installation of interior interceptors required by the plumbing code and exterior interceptors required by DEC. The topic was tabled until next meeting pending review of draft DEC design manual.
- 9) The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:00pm.
- 10) The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday July 26, 2012 at 1:30PM.