



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

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

Minutes of the September 6, 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:        John Addario  
                     Ed Angelone  
                     Peter Campito  
                     Douglas Page  
                     Bob Cordell  
                     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 Addario reviewed the open items from the last meeting. Open items include: PVC flue, Back Water Valve, Water Hammer Arrestors, Pool Heater Temperature Relief Valve, and Grease Interceptors, no additional information was available as of this date.
- 3)        John Williams indicated that the installation instructions are specific on the location for the water hammer arrestors; the code requires these devices to be installed per manufactures instructions. No action was taken by the committee.
- 4)        The requirement for Backwater valves on combined systems was discussed. The committee agreed that they would be required in certain circumstances when using a combined system. No further action was taken by the committee.
- 5)        Committee members present acknowledged receiving the draft version of the DEC design manual sent by John Addario and the members present agreed that the requirements for interceptors (both interior and exterior) are covered in both the Plumbing code and DEC manual; no further action is required by the committee.

- 6) The new CSST proposal approved by the Code Council was discussed. John Addario and Ed Angelone proved a brief background on the topic. It was noted that the proposed text was sent out in an e-bulletin for comment. The rule making documents, once complete, will be sent out for approval. Once approved the documents will be submitted into the rule Making Process (SAPA) and will appear in the State Register for formal public comment. These changes will appear in the Fuel Gas Code and FG section of the Residential Code.
- 7) The committee discussed maintenance requirements for mechanical systems per section 203.2 which references ASHRAE 180 – 2008, John Addario had verified that there appeared to be no conflict with the requirements found in the Energy Code.
- 8) The committee reviewed the NY specific changes to the Mechanical Code, the committee unanimously agreed to bring those items forward as outlined in the chart.
- 9) Item 256 of the Chart was discussed. This item (Section m507.2.1) addresses the exception for electric cooking appliances not requiring a Type I hood when under a certain capacity. It was noted that the number of units is not limited; Bob suggested that the committee look at the technical bulletin issued by DOS. John Addario indicated he would forward a copy to the members.
- 10) The committee discussed the requirement for an auxiliary and/or secondary drain systems for condensate system on certain cooling units. The committee members were going to do more research on the issue.
- 11) The committee members discussed the new requirement that “fire wrap” is prohibited on a Type I hood (507.10). It was noted that contractors try and use the duct wrap on hoods. John Addario indicated he would forward the ICC monograph.
- 12) The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:15pm.
- 13) The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday September 20, 2012 at 1:30PM.