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MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 15, 2011

TO: Industrialized/Modular Building Manufacturers  
Maryland Approved Testing Facilities  
Local Building Officials And  
All Other Interested Parties

FROM: Ed Landon, Director, Maryland Codes Administration 

RE: Maryland Building Performance Standards (MBPS) and Model  
Performance Code (MPC); 2012 International Building Code, 2012  
International Residential Code, and 2012 International Energy  
Conservation Code

As required by the Maryland Public Safety Article, 12-503, the Department shall adopt the 2012 International Building Code , 2012 International Residential Code , and 2012 International Energy conservation Code. As in the last code cycle, in order to incorporate a minimum number of modifications to these codes, the Department is considering a proposal incorporating only those modifications which are required by the State mandated statutes like Maryland Accessibility Code, Maryland Energy Code, State Safety Glazing requirements, State Mechanical and Plumbing Code, and State Elevator Code etc.

In accordance with 2011 House Bill 972, the Department is considering adoption of the International Green Construction Code providing for a delayed effective date thirty days after it is published by the International Code Council around March of 2012.

The Department is also considering adoption of the Silver rating of the International Code Council's ICC – 700, National Green Building Standards and/ or the Silver rating of the U. S. Green Building Council's LEED for Home rating system to encourage the construction of new residential structures that will be considered high-performance homes under 2011 House Bill 630. You are requested to send your preliminary comments on this proposal on or before August 31, 2011, to:



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Upon receipt of the preliminary comments, the Department will review all the comments and will consider proposed modifications. Following our review, the Department will be conducting a public hearing to discuss any of the Department's proposed changes to the MBPS or MPC sometime after August 31, 2011.