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MEMORANDUM

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To: Maryland Approved Industrialized Building Manufacturers
Maryland Approved Testing Facilities (ATF)

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Ref: requirements for stock units

Effective immediately, the manufacturers and ATF's should follow these guidelines when submitting plans for stock units. Stock units are those industrialized buildings which are constructed based on one single set of DHCD approved plans, and are to be delivered to dealer lots for display and eventual sale, delivery to building owners/users at a later date for installation at their own sites. At the time of plan submittal to DHCD, there is no specific building owner(s) identified.

Design of stock units should adhere to these rules:

- All 2015 IBC/IRC structural loads (including ground snow load, wind load, seismic load) should use the "worst case" values.
- Building installation location should be the "coldest" area in Maryland for compliance with 2015 IECC.
- If the design/construction of a stock unit is in the same Maryland code cycle as when the building is installed at a building owner/user's site, this building is treated as a new unit. If time of design/construction of the unit is in different Maryland code cycle from that of building installation, the building is treated as used unit, and should be subjected to a local jurisdiction's permit requirements.

When a manufacturer submits a location report of a stock unit to DHCD (via the online system), the "Final Destination" field should be filled in with dealer's name.

