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REGULATIONS UPDATE

To: Chief Administrative Officers
From: Susan Turkopuls
Subject: **Building Codes Council: *Adoption of Codes***
Governor's Office: *Local Emergency Preparedness Standards*
DHEC: *Natural Public Swimming Areas*

Please take note of the following items of interest from the **STATE REGISTER**. **PLEASE CIRCULATE TO APPROPRIATE STAFF FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT.** To view any proposed or final regulation online, go to **<http://www.scstatehouse.gov/regnsrch.php>**. You can search by document number, subject or agency. If you have any questions or comments, or are interested in obtaining a copy of any regulation, please call the SCAC offices at 1-800-922-6081.

NOTICE

Building Codes Council: *Adoption of Codes*

The South Carolina Building Codes Council intends to adopt the following building codes for use in the State of South Carolina.

Mandatory codes include the:

2015 Edition of the International Building Code;
2015 Edition of the International Residential Code;
2015 Edition of the International Fire Code;
2015 Edition of the International Plumbing Code;
2015 Edition of the International Mechanical Code;
2015 Edition of the International Fuel Gas Code;
2014 Edition of the National Electrical Code.

Permissive codes include the:

2015 Edition of the International Property Maintenance Code;
2015 Edition of the International Existing Building Code;
2015 Edition of the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code;
2015 Edition of the International Performance Code for Buildings and Facilities.

The Council specifically requests comments concerning sections of the proposed editions, which may be unsuitable for enforcement in South Carolina. Written comments may be submitted to Roger K. Lowe, Council Administrator, at PO Box 11329, Columbia, SC 29211-1329, on or before April 1, 2015.

DRAFTING

Governor's Office: *Local Emergency Preparedness Standards*

The Office of the Governor proposes amending Regulation 58-1, Local Emergency Preparedness Standards, to comply with current standards of practice. This redrafting will help delineate the counties' and municipalities' responsibilities in emergency management. Legislative review of this revision is required.

Interested persons may submit written comments to Danielle Maynard, Legal Counsel, South Carolina Emergency Management Division, 2779 Fish Hatchery Road, West Columbia, South Carolina 29172, or via email at dmaynard@emd.sc.gov.

DHEC: *Natural Public Swimming Areas*

DHEC proposes to amend R.61-50, Natural Public Swimming Areas, to update the water quality standard for fresh water recreation. Specifically, changes to R.61-50.C(7) are necessary to enable the Department to maintain one water quality standard for fresh water recreation. The Department is proposing to change from a fecal coliform standard to an E. coli standard.

Interested persons may submit their views in writing to Mr. Richard A. Welch, PE, Drinking Water Protection Division, Bureau of Water, S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201 or by email at welchra@dhec.sc.gov. To be considered, written comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 30, 2015, the close of the drafting comment period.