

MINUTES

The meeting convened at the MBA Office called to order by Michael Coello, of Coello & Associates, at 9:31 a.m.

TASK FORCE MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Coello, Pattie Stone, Mary Schroeder, Jim Wozniak, Neal Solheim, Mark Benkowski, Ron Klassen, Bob Flanagan, Chad Weubben, Pat Stevens, Scott Satula, Brian Walter, Tom Johnson, and Richard Paur.



After introductions, a motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the minute from the November 17th, 2009 meeting.

Next, under Old Business, Mr. Paur discussed the format of the State Building Inspector Associations voting on this issue. He emphasized the general lack of representation from within the League of Municipalities for those who will be the decision makers on this issue. Task Force members agreed that this was a concern.

Then, Mr. Stevens addressed the proposed recommendations from the Governor's Global Warming Task Force. Many of the requirements would be highly burdensome to the building industry, and business in Wisconsin, generally.

Next, Ms. Schroeder renewed her concern over the lack of building professionals represented in the ICC Code Development process. She noted that the new bylaws for the ICC only allowed for firefighters and building inspectors to vote on proposed changes. This led to a discussion over concerns that Wisconsin's adoption of the IRC may lead to current process in Wisconsin changing as well. This would result in very little builder input in the code changing process. Because of this, the group agreed that a major consideration in deciding whether to support a change would be to standardize the appointment process of the state's Uniform Dwelling Code Council. Only upon such a change could builders be confident that their voices will continue to be heard. This issue will continue to be discussed by the group as the IRC / UDC review process comes to a close.

Next, the Task Force reviewed the Duct Systems, Combustion Air, Chimneys and Vents, Special Fuel, Boilers and Water Heaters, Hydronic Piping, Special Piping and Storage Systems, and Solar Systems chapters, and flagged the following issues:

<u>IRC Provision</u>	<u>UDC Provision</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Comment</u>
M1502	23.14	IRC governs any dryer while UDC governs only gas dryers	UDC does not specify to use manufacturers specs for electric dryers
M1502.4.6	23.14	IRC requires an exhaust duct to be installed if a space is provided for the dryer	Not in UDC
G2439, M1502	23.14	IRC has specific standards for make-up air for dryers for dryers over 200CFM	Not in UDC
M1502.5		IRC requires protective nail/screw plates for dryer ducts	Not in UDC
M1503.4	23.08	Balanced air requirement starts at 400 CFM in IRC for kitchen exhaust, UDC requirements apply to all kitchen exhaust	
M1505		IRC addresses overhead exhaust hoods	Not in UDC
M1507.3	23.02(3)(b)	IRC requires a specific ventilation rate for ventilated range hoods in kitchens	Not in UDC
M1601.5	23.08(2)(b)	IRC prohibits underfloor plenums in new structures	Permitted in UDC
M1601.4	23.08(8), 22.43	IRC requires all air ducts to be sealed.	UDC only requires all ducts outside the thermal envelope to be sealed.

M1601.1.1 ,7., 7.3	23.08(2)(a)3.	IRC prohibits stud spaces as return air for more than one level	Permitted in UDC
M1602.2, 3.	23.08(2)(a)3.	IRC allows for dilution of return air with outside air and specifies the permitted locations of outside air inlets. This section also lists specific areas where return air may <u>not</u> be taken from.	<i>Need ICC clarification on this</i>
M1804.2.2		The IRC requires decorative shrouds to be listed	Not required in UDC
M1804.1	23.045	IRC addresses pellet fuel burning appliance vents directly	Indirectly addressed in UDC
M1804.2.6, 6.	23.04(1)	Except for direct vent appliances, the IRC prohibits a power exhauster type vent termination to be at least 10' from the property line. This does not apply to direct vent appliances	Not required in UDC
Ch. 19		IRC specifically addresses clearances for ranges, ovens, sauna heaters, stationary fuel cell power plants and gaseous hydrogen systems	Not in UDC
M2002.5	23.04(4)	Internal low water cut-off required in IRC, internal low water cut requirements not directly addressed in UDC-must refer to Comm 41.30	
M2005.2	23.04(6)(a)	Regardless of the listing, the IRC prohibits installing a water heater in any room used as a storage closet	Permitted in UDC per listing
M2006		IRC addresses pool heaters	Not in UDC
Ch 21	23.10	IRC contains more information on the installation of hydronic piping than the UDC	
M2101.7		Prohibited tee applications	Not in UDC
M2103.2.2		IRC requires R-11 insulation below piping for in-floor heating on a <u>suspended</u> floor	Not in UDC
M2103.2.2		IRC requires a thermal break at slab edge for radiant floor heating systems	Not in UDC
2103.4		IRC requires testing at 100 psi for hydronic heating system	UDC addresses ASHRAE Standards
Ch 22	23.16	This chapter is consistent with Comm 10 and Comm 40 requirements	Committee recommends that the language in this section be replaced with a reference to Comm 10 and Comm 40
Ch 23		Solar systems	Not in UDC, only reference to solar systems is in Table 22.53-1 on Note g

The next meeting time and date was then announced to be **March 2nd, 2010, beginning at 9:30 a.m.** It was also determined that the chapters to tentatively be reviewed at that meeting will be the remainder of the Fuel Gas section, and the Definitions section.

Chairman Coello then adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:09 p.m.