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SUBJECT: Exterior Elevated Elements – Second Readoption
Effective through January 26, 2018

The purpose of this Information Bulletin is to address the second readoption of emergency building standards regulations amending the 2016 California Building Code (CBC) and 2016 California Existing Building Code (CEBC) that extends the enforcement through January 26, 2018. These emergency regulations can be found in Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, Parts 2 and 10.

The emergency regulations for exterior elevated elements (EEE), originally adopted by the California Building Standards Commission (CBSC) on January 27, 2017, were effective only for an 180-day period ending July 29, 2017. Upon request by the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and other state agencies, the CBSC approved readoption of these emergency building standards for another 90-day period, ending October 27, 2017. This second readoption extends the effective date through January 26, 2018.

The emergency standards impact the construction of EEE for residential occupancies, including any EEE attached to factory-built housing, hotels, motels, apartment buildings, state buildings or public schools. The EEE regulations provide additional details required for: construction documents, inspections, an increase in structural live loads for balconies and decks, surface slopes to reduce water retention, and added ventilation to the underside of enclosed EEEs. The emergency standards also reinstate a maintenance provision from the 2013 CEBC allowing local jurisdictions to reinspect buildings if deemed necessary.

The original text of the regulations (HCD EF 01-17) and accompanying Finding of Emergency, which remain unchanged for residential applications, are available on the CBSC website at: <http://www.bsc.ca.gov/Rulemaking/emergency.aspx>

Additional information on the adoption of these emergency regulations may be found in HCD's original Information Bulletin 2017-01 available at: <http://www.hcd.ca.gov/information-bulletins.shtml>

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