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BULLETIN

To: Designated Agencies
From: Industrialized Buildings Commission
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Subject: Building Systems Documents

On July 17, 2013, the Commission approved the following limitations to building systems documents. The conditions described below are meant to be illustrative and are applicable to all code disciplines.

Evaluation agencies have until October 15, 2013 to ensure these procedures and limitations are fully implemented.

- Any document that permits manufacturers to perform calculations or design building elements independently without being subjected to review and approval by the evaluation agency is prohibited.
- Where a process for selecting a structural member from a custom header, beam, column or similar table requires calculations (e.g., converting a ground snow load to pounds per lineal feet) or engineering judgment (e.g., selecting a load duration factor or deflection limit) such calculations or engineering judgments must be submitted to the evaluation agency for review and approval along with a copy of or a reference to applicable table.
- Evaluation agencies are responsible for ensuring building systems documents do not include overly complex or cumbersome provisions that cannot be reasonably monitored by an inspection agency inspector.