STATE BUILDING CODE INTERPRETATION NO. 19-01

CODE: 2015 Washington State Energy Code, Commercial
SECTION: C402.5.6

C402.5.6 Loading dock weatherseals. Cargo doors and loading dock doors shall be equipped with weatherseals to restrict infiltration when vehicles are parked in the doorway.

QUESTION: This section is not clear at all as to what type of cargo door need the weatherseals. Is it intended to apply to elevated loading docks, roll-up doors flush with street level, only those doors that are semi-trailer sized, or any exterior doors intended to be used to intake cargo from trucks?

ANSWER: The section is intended to apply to the various types of raised loading docks where the deck is level with the truck cargo bed and the doors are roughly the same size as a cargo trailer opening and close enough for the weather seal to provide direct contact with the top and sides of the trailer.

SUPERSEDES: None

REQUESTED BY: Clark County