

STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

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Mechanical, Ventilation, and Plumbing Codes Technical Advisory Group Meeting Review Notes for May 31, 2024

TAG Members Present: Ben Omura, TAG Chair; Justin Bourgault, TAG Alt. Chair; Janise Goucher (A); Laura Bloyd (P); Shailesh Desai (A); Ted Clifton; Ken Nelson; Ian Casey; Bill Misocky; Brad McCutcheon, Kevin Duell (A); Ali Boris; Jonathan Jones, David Price

TAG Members Absent: Steve Hart (P); Ray Shipman, Steve Simpson, Harpreet Sandhu (P)

Visitors Present: Tom Handy, Katya Bautista, A. Merrill

Staff: Krista Braaksma

(P) = Primary; (A) = Alternate

Agenda Items	TAG Actions
1. Welcome and Introductions	The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. New members Ted Clifton (homebuilders) and Brad McCutcheon (residential HVAC contractors) were introduced. Roll was called, and a quorum was present.
2. Review and Approve Agenda	Justin Bourgault moved to approve the agenda as written, Dave Price seconded, the motion passed.
3. Review Existing Amendments and Significant Changes Documents	IMC Existing Amendments
	Chapter 5
	The TAG began with review of the amendment to Section 506.3.11 and continued through the rest of Chapter 5. It was noted that "grease duct" is now a defined term and as such should be italicized throughout the code. During the review of Section 507.1.2, Domestic cooking appliances used for commercial purposes, it was noted that it may be beneficial for someone to submit a code change proposal to clarify the section and possibly integrate some of Seattle's amendment language. Similarly, the added exception to 507.2 may warrant modification as the current language seems to conflict with the requirements of 507.1.2. In Section 514, it was noted that the reference to the IBC should be double checked, since the noted section does not exist.
	Chapter 6

	In Section 601.2, it was noted the section reference for the IFC in item 6.4 should be 907.2.13.1. It was suggested that Section 602.1 should be correlated with the energy code requirements for use of plenums. In reviewing Section 605, Ken Nelson noted the industry is moving towards MERV 13 air filters, but it can be expensive. It was also mentioned that there needs to be more user training provided on the care and maintenance of air filters.
	Chapter 9
	The TAG briefly discussed Sections 915.3 and whether this amendment would prohibit outdoor installation of emergency power systems based on the language in 915.3.2 item 2. The discussion was tabled to allow Jonathan Jones to research the issue with the Fire Marshal's office.
5. Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 12:58 p.m.