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MEMORANDUM

TO: Susan Bungo, Operations Manager, Building Division

FROM: Carl L. Jones, CBO, Director, Building Division

DATE: March 21, 2017

SUBJ: Elimination of certain inspections.

Whereas the building division is experiencing a significant increase in permit and inspection activity, and... The building division still has one open trade-master inspector position, and... It is not likely that qualified candidates will be found anytime soon to fill said position, and... In order to reduce the work load on our inspectors and provide more efficiency in the operations of inspections, I have determined to eliminate certain inspections from the list of inspections that we perform.

We will no longer perform **insulation** inspections. We will instead require that an insulation certificate will be required to be submitted to the building division prior to issuance of a certificate of completion or a certificate of occupancy. The certificate will need to state the type of insulations used throughout the building, the locations of use in the building, the R-value of each type of insulation and that the insulation is in compliance with the Florida Building Code and the approved energy calculations for the project. A standard form of the certificate will be created and made available to all contractors for immediate implementation.

We will no longer perform **drywall screw** inspections, except for specialty walls such as fire walls as defined in the Florida Building Code – Building chapter 706; fire barriers as defined in FBC-B chapter 707; fire partitions as defined in chapter 708 and smoke barriers as defined in chapter 709

Lastly, we will not perform **temporary power pole** inspections as a stand-alone inspection. T-pole inspections must be performed in conjunction with another scheduled inspection. For example: We could inspect the T-pole with a foundation inspection or in the case of a monolithic slab, with the rough plumbing inspection. My goal is to avoid having an inspector go to a job site to only perform a T-pole inspection.

Implementation of this policy is effective 4-3-2017. Please make preparations accordingly.

Cc: Jim Baird, Assistant Building Official
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