



The Uniform Construction Code Review and Advisory Council

May 1, 2018

**The Honorable W. Gerard Oleksiak, Secretary
Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry
1700 Labor & Industry Building
651 Boas Street
Harrisburg, PA 17121**

Re: Re-review of the 2015 I-codes for adoption as the Uniform Construction Code

Mr. Secretary;

As Chair of the Uniform Construction Code Review and Advisory Council, I am pleased to submit the Council's report on our review of the 2015 codes, as required by Act 45 of 1999.

On December 13, 2017 by a unanimous vote, the UCC RAC determined that the changes to the 2012 codes would be reviewed as "additional sections" as defined by Act 36 of 2017. The RAC then voted unanimously to commence the re-review of the 2015 codes, including the "additional sections". A thirty-day public comment period was offered, and a single public hearing was held in Harrisburg, PA on February 13, 2018.

The RAC Subcommittees reviewed all the updated and additional sections, as well as over 300 public comments that included support for adoption of the codes, proposals for amendments to specific provisions, and recommendations for deletion of specific sections. Over the course of four RAC meetings in Harrisburg (March 6, March 20, April 3 and April 17), the RAC voted by the required 2/3 margin to adopt two of the 2015 codes without amendment (the *International Wildland-Urban Interface Code* and the *International Fire Code*), and to adopt seven of the 2015 codes with modest amendments (see attached). By an oversight, the RAC neglected to review and update the *International Performance Code*, which indicates that the 2009 version would remain in place.

As required under Act 36 of 2017, these new and amended codes shall take effect on October 1 of this year.

Submitted on behalf of the UCC Review and Advisory Council,

**Maureen Guttman, AIA
Chairman**