

FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION

PRODUCT APPROVAL POC

FEBRUARY 5, 2015 TELECONFERENCE MEETING SUMMARY REPORT

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2015

MEETING SUMMARY AND OVERVIEW

At the Thursday, February 5, 2015 teleconference meeting the POC considered regular procedural issues including product approval and entities statistics reports; a status report on conditional approvals (all were resolved); review and approval of product and entity applications; and a review of DBPR approved product approval applications. Specific actions include a recommendation to the Commission regarding declaratory statement DS 2014-152.

Background and Supporting Documents

Relevant background and supporting documents are linked to each agenda item. The Agenda URL for the February 5, 2015 meeting is as follows:

http://www.floridabuilding.org/fbc/commission/FBC_0215/Product_Approval/Product_Approval_Agenda.htm

AGENDA ITEM OUTCOMES

A.1. OPENING AND MEETING PARTICIPATION

The meeting was opened at 10:00 AM once a quorum was established, and the following POC members participated (5 of 7 members):

Jeff Stone (Chair), Jay Carlson, David Compton, Nan Dean, and Brian Swope.

Members Not Participating:

Robert Hamberger and Tim Tolbert.

A.2. DBPR STAFF PRESENT

Robert Benbow, Jim Hammers, April Hammonds, and Mo Madani.

Meeting Facilitation and Reporting

Product Approval POC meetings are facilitated and meeting reports drafted by Jeff Blair from the FCRC Consensus center at Florida State University. Information at: <http://consensus.fsu.edu/>



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A.3. AGENDA REVIEW

The POC voted unanimously, 4 - 0 in favor, to approve the agenda for the February 5, 2015 meeting as presented/posted. Following are the key agenda items approved for consideration:

- To Consider/Discuss Product Approval Program Issues
- To Consider/Decide on Petition for Declaratory Statement
- To Consider/Decide on Approval of Products and Product Approval Entities

The complete Agenda is included as “*Attachment 1*”.

(See *Attachment 1—Agenda*)

A.4. STATEMENT OF TELECONFERENCE PARTICIPATION PROCESS

Jeff Blair reviewed the teleconference participation process with participants reminding them that it is important to keep their phones on mute to minimize background noise, not to put their phones on hold, and to wait until invited to speak to avoid confusion and chaos. Jeff emphasized that all participants will have ample time to speak on all agenda items. Participants were reminded to state their names each time they speak.

B. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 1, 2014 MINUTES

MOTION—The POC voted unanimously, 4 - 0 in favor, to approve the December 1, 2014 meeting minutes as presented/posted.

Amendments:

There were no amendments offered.

C. 1. PRODUCT APPROVAL AND ENTITIES STATISTICS REPORT

Robert Benbow reviewed the product and entities statistics reports with participants and answered members’ questions. Robert reported that the total number of product approval applications submitted for approval to the 2010 Code is 6,868, the total number of products submitted for approval to the 2010 Code is 31,726, and the total number of entities submitted for approval to the 2010 Code is 375. The report is linked to the Product Approval POC’s agenda.

Commissioner Stone asked whether products are being submitted for approval to the *Florida Building Code Fifth Edition (2014)*. Mo responded that yes, subsequent to the January 5, 2015 Code adoption hearing, products are being submitted for approval to the *Florida Building Code Fifth Edition (2014)* at the rate of approximately 100 per day.

C.2. REPORT ON CONDITIONAL APPROVALS FROM THE DECEMBER 1, 2014 MEETING

Commissioner Stone noted that all of the conditions were met for the conditional approvals reported at the December 1, 2014 meetings.

C.3. CONSIDERATION OF DS 2014-152 BY BRYCE BRANDON OF EURAMAX INTERNATIONAL

Euramax International submitted a petition for a declaratory statement for review by the Product Approval POC. All of the relevant documentation is linked to the February 5, 2015 Product Approval POC agenda found on-line. The petitioner provided input, and subsequently Mo Madani reviewed the petition and provided staff's analysis. Following questions and answers and an opportunity for public comment, the POC took the following action:

POC Actions:

MOTION—The POC voted unanimously, 5 - 0 in favor, to recommend the Commission approve the POC's recommendation on the Petition (to approve staff's recommendations as amended*).

* *Amendment:* to revise the recommendation as follows:

However, the product in question must meet the requirements of the Florida Building Code and is subject to approval by the local authority having jurisdiction.

Overview:

Petitioner seeks a Declaratory Statement on status of state rejected product (Equinox rotating louver roof system) which is outside scope of Rule 61G20-3.001. The Petitioner requests clarification to the following questions:

Is this product, which is solely for exterior applications, outside the building envelope and may not apply for Florida Product Approval?

Staff Analysis:

Question 1: Is this product, which is solely for exterior applications, outside the building envelope and may not apply for Florida Product Approval?

Answer: Yes, this product is outside the scope of the state product approval program. However, the product in question must meet the requirements of the Florida Building Code and is subject to approval by the local authority having jurisdiction.

D.1. PRODUCT AND ENTITY APPLICATIONS CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Stone presented the consent agenda for entities by asking if any participants' wished to have any entity applications pulled from the consent agenda for individual consideration. There were no entity applications pulled for individual consideration.

Commissioner Stone presented the consent agenda for approval of products by asking if any participants' wished to have any applications pulled from the consent agenda for individual consideration. There were no product applications pulled for individual consideration.

POC Actions:

MOTION—The POC voted unanimously, 5 - 0 in favor, to recommend the Commission approve the consent agenda of product approval entities recommended for approval as posted.

MOTION—The POC voted unanimously, 5 - 0 in favor, to recommend the Commission approve the consent agenda of products recommended for approval as posted.

D.2. PRODUCT APPROVAL APPLICATIONS WITH DISCUSSION OR COMMENTS

Jeff Blair presented the products with discussion and public comment. Following are the POC's recommendations on the 4 product approval applications with public comment(s):

- The POC recommends the Commission conditionally approve product #16980 R1 based on the conditions listed in DBPR staff's recommendation (5 – 0 in favor);
- The POC recommends the Commission conditionally approve product #17238 based on the conditions listed in DBPR staff's recommendation (5 – 0 in favor); and
- The POC recommends the Commission conditionally approve product #17220 based on the conditions listed in DBPR staff's recommendation (5 – 0 in favor).

The complete report of POC recommendations on product and entity applications is available linked to the Commission's February 5, 2015 agenda.

D.3. DBPR APPLICATIONS

Staff noted that the recommendations for the DBPR applications are linked to the February 5, 2015 Product Approval POC agenda found on-line. Commissioner Stone noted that there was public comment on two applications (#17336 and #14079 R3), and these have been resolved or are in the process of being resolved in accordance with the requirements of the Rule.

E.1. PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Stone invited members of the public to address the Commission on any issues under the Commission's purview.

There were no public comments offered.

E.2. POC MEMBER COMMENT

Commissioner Stone invited POC members to offer any general comments to the POC.

There were no POC member comments offered.

E.3. STAFF MEMBER COMMENT

Commissioner Stone invited DBPR staff members to offer any general comments to the POC.

There was no staff member comments offered.

POC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COMMISSION ACTION

The POC recommends the following actions to the Florida Building Commission:

- 1.) The POC recommends the Commission take action on product and entity applications as recommended by the POC and reflected in DBPR staffs' product and entity approval report.
- 2.) The POC recommends the Commission approve the POC's amended recommendation regarding declaratory statement DS 2014-152.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- None were suggested.

NEXT STEPS

The POC will meet February 5, 2015 to provide recommendations to the Commission on Product Approval System relevant issues for the April 2, 2015 Commission meeting.

F. ADJOURN

Commissioner Stone, POC Chair, thanked POC members, staff and the public for their attendance and participation, and adjourned the meeting at 10:40 AM on Thursday, February 5, 2015.

ATTACHMENT I
MEETING AGENDA

FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION
PRODUCT APPROVAL PROGRAM OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (POC)
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2015—10:00 AM
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
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MEETING OBJECTIVES

- Ø To Consider/Discuss Product Approval Program Issues
- Ø To Consider/Discuss Declaratory Statement
- Ø To Consider/Decide on Approval of Products and Product Approval Entities

PRODUCT APPROVAL POC MEMBERS

Jeffrey Stone-Chair, E.J. Carlson, David Compton, Nanette Dean, Robert Hamberger, Brian Swope, and Tim Tolbert.

MEETING AGENDA—FEBRUARY 5, 2015

All Agenda Times—including Adjournment—are Approximate and Subject to Change

10:00 AM	A)	<p>Call to Order</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Roll call of POC Members 2. Identification of Staff/Attendees 3. Review and Approval of Agenda 4. Statement on Teleconference Participation Process
	B)	Review & Approve Agenda & December 2014 Minutes
	C)	<p>Product Approval Program Issues:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Product Approval & Entities Statistics Report 2. Report on conditional approvals from the October 2014 meetings (All Conditional Approval Requirements were met and completed from the December Reports) 3. To consider, and discuss DS 2014-152 by Bryce Brandon of Euramax International

	D)	Department of Business and Professional Regulation Reports: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review of Product Approval & Entity Applications 2. Product Approval Applications with Comments 3. DBPR Applications
	E)	Public/POC/Staff Comments
	F)	<i>Adjourn</i>

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