

# Town & Country INDUSTRIES

Wholesale Aluminum and Building Products

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RE: Delayed implementation of the FBC

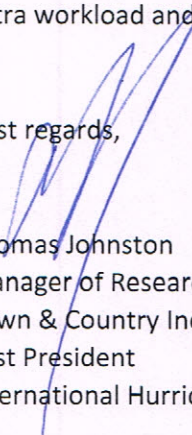
To: Thomas Campbell  
Executive Director FBC

It has come to our attention that some in our industry are seeking to delayed implementation of the latest version of the FBC. Our company, as well as most others in the industry, have already contracted with our engineers to review and complete all updates. The various engineers that we use are all staffed to handle the workloads and in fact ours will be complete within the next few weeks. We have expended a tremendous amount of time and money preparing for the update as have most companies. Very few companies wait until the last minute to prepare. I have spoken to various engineers beyond the ones we use and all seem perplexed by a possible delay in implementation.

There are numerous improvements to the code that are critical to protecting homes from the elements generated during hurricanes.

In our opinion, it would be devastating to the entire product approval industry to seek a delay while the process is underway. Many engineers have planned extra staffing, validators are prepared to handle the extra workload and many others have a plan and people in place for this scheduled event.

Best regards,

  
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