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Gentlemen,

You are all likely hearing complaints from commercial pool builders and engineers from around the state re pool/spa plan reviews being performed by the various building departments. It's been about a year since this new system is in place and some time for transition was anticipated, but what is still happening is stunning. The latest in the saga of FBC 424 interpretations is that we are now required to provide sealed engineered drawings, just to resurface a pool... yes, this is what Miami Beach now requires (see attached comments).

So, when you combine the engineering and permit costs, small pool resurfacing projects will actually pay more for the plans and permits, than for the resurfacing work! This is emblematic of what we are experiencing with cities in SoFl.

Couple this with field observations of countless incorrectly installed anti-entrapment devices (instead of gravity fed collector tanks), and one must ask, is this what the legislature had in mind when they made their wrong-headed decisions about collector tanks and plan reviews? As a commercial pool professional for over 25 years and UPSA board member, I find all this incredible and certainly not in the best interests of our Florida bathing community.

I just felt compelled to share this with you. Count me in on any efforts to improve this system, or change it. Thank you for listening. JC

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