



Independently Owned & Operated

**ARROYO ENTERPRISES, INC.**

6704 South U.S. 1, Port St. Lucie, FL 34952

Phone 772-465-6363 • Fax 772-465-6361

More Reasons for Four Seasons



**FILING AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**  
FILED, on this date, with the designated  
Clerk, receipt of which is hereby  
acknowledged.

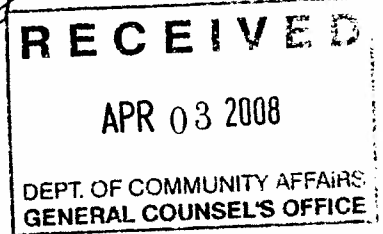
*Paula P. Ford*  
Paula P. Ford  
Commission Clerk  
Date *4/3/08*

*0208-DEC-108*

March 28, 2008

Petition for Declaratory Statement

Joseph Herrmann, Arroyo Enterprises, Inc.  
6704 South U.S. Highway 1, Port St. Lucie, FL 34952  
Phone: 772.465.6363 Fax: 772.465.6361



A declaratory statement is sought in reference to a sunroom project located in Martin County PR #BGRMT102607. This is a glass sunroom with a glass roof. We have received comments from Martin County building dept. stating that we do not meet the requirement of 1609.1.4 of the 2004 FBC. We believe that the 2007 FRC R 301.2.1.2 Protection of openings exempts sunrooms from the requirement of shutter protection as long as the sunroom is separated from the existing structure by a wall and all openings in the existing wall are protected.

Chapter 2 Florida Residential Code 2007

Habitable Space: A space in a structure for living, sleeping, eating or cooking. Bathrooms, toilet compartments, closets, halls, screen enclosures, Sunrooms categories I, II, and III as defined in the AAMA/NPEA/NSA 2100, storage or utility space and similar areas are not considered habitable space.

R301.2.1.2 Protection of Openings

1 Openings in sunrooms, balconies or enclosed porches constructed under existing roofs or decks are not required to be protected provided the spaces are separated from the building interior by a wall and all openings in the separating wall area protected in accordance with this section. Such space shall be permitted to be designed as either partially enclosed or enclosed structure.

- 1- Is a sunroom its own entity (structure) as defined in the FBC?
- 2- Must a sunroom be constructed under on existing roof or deck?
- 3- Can a structure be built as partially enclosed as per the Florida Building Code?
- 4- If the existing openings of a structure are shuttered or impact glass does the sunroom have to be shuttered as well since the sunroom is non-habitable?

X

*Joseph Herrmann*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph Herrmann

Production Manager, Arroyo Enterprises, Inc.



National Sunroom Association

