Survey Relating to Uniform Implementation of the Florida Building Code – will have to generate meaningful ranges for multiple choice responses that generate useable data.

A. General Jurisdictional Data

1. Size of Market (population of jurisdiction, geographical size?)

2. Personnel (gross number of employees; breakdown by position – code

administrators, plan reviewers, inspectors?)

3. Annual Permit Volume (New Construction v. Existing Buildings; residential v.

commercial)

4. Annual Building Department Budget

5. Process of code enforcement connected with additional regulatory schemes

(zoning, stormwater, Fire code enforcement, impact fees, additional LDRs)

B. Use of Training and Information Relating to Interpretations

1. Dedicated budget within department for employee training on the Code;

2. Personnel attended training in the past (6 mos., 1 year, 2 years, 3 years);

3. Does jurisdiction have any “formal” interpretive process for practitioners

beyond application and enforcement of the Code? (Written building department

policy, local rule, local ordinance, local amendment to the Code, verbal policy)

4. Any application of ICC code commentary? (Always, sometimes, formal

acceptance, informal reliance)

5. Are staff familiar with statewide interpretative processes (ever participated by

requesting)?

a. Non-Binding Interpretations by Building Officials of Florida;

b. Declaratory Statements by the Commission;

c. Binding Interpretations by the Commission;

C. Enforcement Processes

1. Fees (restricted to new construction, broken down residential v. commercial;

resubmittal or reinspection)

2. Response Times:

a. application to issuance of permit;

b. issuance of permit to issuance of Certificate of Occupancy;

c. request for inspection to inspection.

3. Deficiencies:

a. % of plans approved without comment;

b. % of plans requiring more than two resubmittals;

c. % of work approved on first inspection;

d. % of work requiring more than one reinspection;

4. Review of Building Department decision.

a. Does jurisdiction have a local board of adjustment and appeal?

b. Annual number of decisions reviewed by the local board.