

FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION

PRODUCT APPROVAL POC

FEBRUARY 2, 2021

WEB-BASED VIRTUAL AND TELECONFERENCE MEETING
FACILITATOR'S SUMMARY REPORT

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2021

MEETING SUMMARY AND OVERVIEW

At the Tuesday, February 2, 2021 web-based virtual and teleconference meeting the POC considered regular procedural issues including product approval and entities statistics reports; a status report on conditional approvals from the December 15, 2020 Commission meeting, indicating that all of the applications except one are now resolved and approved; review and approval of product and entity applications; a review of DBPR approved product approval applications. Specific actions included recommending the Commission: 1.) Take action on product and entity applications as recommended by the POC and reflected in DBPR staff's product and entity approval reports.

BACKGROUND AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Relevant background and supporting documents are linked to each agenda item. The Agenda URL for the February 2, 2021 meeting is as follows:

https://floridabuilding.org/fbc/Commission/FBC_0221/product_Approval/Product_Approval_Agenda.htm

AGENDA ITEM OUTCOMES

A. 1. STATEMENT OF TELECONFERENCE PARTICIPATION PROCESS

Jeff Blair reviewed the virtual and teleconference meeting participation process with participants reminding them that it is important for participants to keep their computer microphones or 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.

A. 2. OPENING AND MEETING PARTICIPATION

The meeting was opened at 10:00 AM, and roll call determined a quorum of the members were present. The following POC members participated (5 of 5 members):

Rodney Hershberger (chair), David Compton, Nan Dean, David Gilson, and Brian Swope.

Members Absent:

None.

A. 3. DBPR STAFF PARTICIPATING

Zubeyde Binici, Tom Campbell, Jim Hammers, Chris Howell, Mo Madani, and Justin Vogel.

Meeting Facilitation and Reporting

Product Approval POC meetings are facilitated and meeting summary reports drafted by Jeff Blair from Facilitated Solutions, LLC. Information at: <http://facilitatedsolutions.org>.



A. 4. AGENDA REVIEW

The POC voted unanimously, 5 - 0 in favor, to approve the agenda for the February 2, 2021 meeting as posted/presented. Following are the key agenda items approved for consideration:

- To Consider/Discuss Product Approval Program Issues.
- To Consider/Decide on Approval of Products and Product Approval Entities.

Amendments:

There were no amendments to the posted Agenda.

The complete Agenda is included as “Attachment 1”.

(See Attachment 1—Agenda)

B. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 7, 2020 MINUTES AND FACILITATOR’S SUMMARY REPORT

MOTION—The POC voted unanimously, 5 – 0 in favor, to approve the December 7, 2020 meeting minutes and Facilitator’s Summary Report as posted/presented.

Amendments:

*None were offered.

C. 1. PRODUCT APPROVAL AND ENTITIES STATISTICS REPORT

Commissioner Hershberger requested that staff review the statistics reports. Zubeyde Binici reviewed the product and entities statistics reports with participants and answered members’ questions. Zubeyde reported that the total number of product approval applications approved to the 2020 Code is 3,298 (4,218 total in the System), the total number of products approved to the 2020 Code is 13,892 (17,367 total in the System), and the total number of entities approved to the 2020 Code is 122 (415 total in the System).

The statistics reports are linked to the Product Approval POC’s agenda.

C. 2. REPORT ON CONDITIONAL APPROVALS FROM THE DECEMBER 15, 2020 FBC MEETING

Commissioner Hershberger asked Mo Madani to report on the status of the conditional approvals. All of the relevant conditions were met for each of the conditional approvals reported at the December 15, 2020 Commission meeting with the exception of FL 14722 R4 and FL 8523 R8. Mo reported that subsequent to posting the POC agenda, FL 8523 R8 has met the conditions for approval and is now approved, and FL 14722 R4 is still in reapply mode and the conditions for approval have not yet been met.

D. 1. PRODUCT AND ENTITY APPLICATIONS CONSENT AGENDA

Jeff Blair presented the consent agenda for entities by asking if any participant or POC members wished to have any entity applications pulled from the consent agenda for individual consideration. There were no entity applications pulled for individual consideration. Jeff Blair presented the consent agenda for approval of products by asking if any participant or POC member wished to have any applications pulled from the consent agenda for individual consideration. There was one (1) product approval application for the 2020 Code 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 (13) recommended for approval as posted.

MOTION—The POC voted unanimously, 5 - 0 in favor, to recommend the Commission approve the consent agenda of products (385) recommended for approval to the 2020 Code as amended (FL 36968 was pulled).

PRODUCT APPROVAL APPLICATIONS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

Product FL 36968 was pulled from the consent agenda for individual consideration at the request of DBPR staff.

MOTION—The POC voted unanimously, 5 - 0 in favor, to recommend the Commission conditionally approve FL 36968 to allow the applicant to change or reestablish the quality assurance entity for the product.

D. 2. PRODUCT APPROVAL APPLICATIONS WITH DISCUSSION OR COMMENTS

Jeff Blair presented the products with discussion and public comment. The table below reflects the POC's recommendations on the (1) product approval application submitted for approval to the 2020 Code with public comment. The application was taken on one consent agenda of recommended for approval since there were no products recommended for conditional approval.

POC Actions:

MOTION—The POC voted unanimously, 5 - 0 in favor, to recommend the Commission approve the consent agenda of products with comments (1) recommended for approval to the 2020 Code.

PRODUCT APPLICATIONS WITH COMMENTS (2020 CODE) [1]			
PRODUCT FL #	STAFF RECOMMENDATION	POC ACTION	FBC ACTION
Consent Agenda of Products With Comments Recommended for Approval (1)			
34941	Approval		

Consent Agenda of Products With Comments Recommended for Conditional Approval (0)			
None			

D. 3. DBPR APPLICATIONS

Jeff Blair noted there were a total of 509 DBPR applications including no application with comments submitted for approval to the 2020 Code, and all are approved.

All of the recommendations for the DBPR applications are linked to the February 2, 2021 Product Approval POC agenda posted on the BCIS.

E. 1. PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Hershberger invited members of the public to address the Product Approval POC on any issues under the POC's purview.

Public Comments:

- There were no public comments.

E. 2. POC MEMBER COMMENT

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

- David Gilson: asked about products approved to 2017 Code and submitted for approval to 2020 Code, can local building officials approval a product to the 2020 Code if it is not yet approved on the state approval website.
- Mo Madani: responded that state product approval is voluntary, and local jurisdictions can review a product's evaluation report to determine whether the product meets the requirements of the 2020 Code and approve a product accordingly.

E. 3. STAFF MEMBER COMMENT

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

- There were no staff comments.

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 staff's product and entity approval reports.

NEXT STEPS

The POC will meet April 1, 2021 to provide recommendations to the Commission on Product Approval System relevant issues for the April 13, 2021 Commission meeting.

(See Attachment 2—POC Meeting Schedule)

F. ADJOURN

Commissioner Hershberger, POC Chair, thanked POC members, staff and the public for their attendance and participation and adjourned the meeting at 10:16 AM on Tuesday, February 2, 2021.

ATTACHMENT 1
MEETING AGENDA

FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION
PRODUCT APPROVAL PROGRAM OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (POC)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2021—10:00 AM

VIRTUAL MEETING VIA WEBINAR AND TELECONFERENCE
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
2601 BLAIR STONE ROAD—TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32399

MEETING OBJECTIVES

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

PRODUCT APPROVAL POC MEMBERS

Rodney Hershberger, David Compton, Nanette Dean, David Gilson, and Brian Swope.

MEETING AGENDA— TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2021

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

9:00AM	A)	Call to Order 1. Statement on Teleconference Participation Process 2. Roll call of POC Members 3. Identification of Staff/Attendees 4. Review and Approval of Agenda
	B)	Review & Approve December 7, 2021 Minutes and Facilitator Summary Report
	C)	Product Approval Program Issues: 1) Product Approval & Entities Statistics Report 2) Report on conditional approvals from the Dec. 15, 2020 FBC meeting. <i>(All conditional approval requirements were met except FL14722 R4, and FL8523 R8)</i>
	D)	Department of Business and Professional Regulation Reports: 1. Review of Product Approval & Entity Applications 2. Product Approval Applications with Comments (2020 FBC) 3. DBPR Applications (2020 FBC)
	E)	Public/POC/Staff Comments
	F)	<i>Adjourn</i>

ATTACHMENT 2

PRODUCT APPROVAL POC MEETING SCHEDULE

FY 2020-2021 SCHEDULE	LOCATION
July 23, 2020	Tallahassee/DBPR and via Teleconference/Webinar
October 1, 2020	Tallahassee/DBPR and via Teleconference/Webinar
December 7, 2020	Tallahassee/DBPR and via Teleconference/Webinar
February 2, 2021	Tallahassee/DBPR and via Teleconference/Webinar
April 1, 2021	Tallahassee/DBPR and via Teleconference/Webinar
May 27, 2021	Tallahassee/DBPR and via Teleconference/Webinar