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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

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Date

Address

Notice: Intent To Revoke Approval for Advance Course

Dear :

Pursuant to Rule 9B-70.002(3), F.A.C., courses accredited and approved by the Florida Building Commission should effectively and accurately address the technical and administrative responsibilities in the effective execution of the Florida Building Code.

The Department of Community Affairs notified (provider) on November 28, 2005 that all advance courses relating to the building and residential codes must be updated to reflect code provisions adopted in the Florida Building Code, 2005 Supplement, and submitted through the Building Code Information System Accreditation process for continued approval.

As of (date) , the Department has no record that (provider) has submitted advance course updates through the Building Code Information System, as required. Per the Florida Building Commission's action on (date) , (provider) will have until (date) to notify the Department of Community Affairs the advance courses are no longer being used or submit updated advance courses through the Building Code Information System Accreditation Process. If no action is taken, the Department will immediately begin proceedings per Chapter 120, Florida Statute, to revoke (provider) course approval.

If you have any questions, please contact Michael Clark, Building Code Education Administration at _____.

Sincerely,

Ila Jones, Manager
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Building Structural Summary (1 hr)

Douglas Bench
Construction Professional Training, Inc.
School for Contractors and Trades
Carmen Ciricillo
Florida Home Builders Association
Palm Beach Inspection Notices, Inc.
Design Arts Seminars, Inc.
Gray Systems, Inc.
AAA Construction School
AIA Florida
Thomas Kelleher
Cam Tech School of Construction
Jake Leahy's Electrical Code Connection
Contractor's Education Service, Inc.
University of Florida/Florida Energy Extension
Contractor's Exam School, Inc.
SPLASH School of Construction
Phil Swartz
Sarasota County Development Services

Residential Summary (4 hrs)

JDB Code Service
Design Arts Seminars, Inc.
Gold Coast School of Construction
AAA Construction School
Red Vector

MEMORANDUM

TO: Continuing Education Providers
FROM: Ila Jones, Codes & Standards
RE: IMPORTANT INFORMATION on FBC Advanced Courses
DATE: November 28, 2005

Legislation passed during the 2005 session required the Florida Building Commission to adopt several amendments to the 2004 Florida Building Code. These amendments have been adopted and were filed with the Secretary of State on November 21, 2005. Because of these changes, **currently approved advanced courses relating to the building and residential codes are obsolete and cannot be taught as is.** Currently approved advanced courses in the subject areas of mechanical, plumbing, and fuel/gas may also be obsolete because amendments (minor ones) to the 2004 Florida Building Code were also adopted in these codes. Any course that does not include material that was changed by these amendments is still a good course and may be taught as is.

Any advanced course that is obsolete as spelled out above must be updated to reflect current code provisions. This process will require any provider to update all such courses in their possession or to be purchased from the Florida Building Commission. The process to accomplish this is spelled out below.

To assist any person or entity interested in obtaining or teaching advanced courses, the Florida Building Commission will offer its (developed by the Florida Building Commission) current courses for sale as a foundation document that any provider can use as a basis for developing an updated course.

Generally, all providers that have purchased a course or plan to purchase a course will need to follow this procedure:

- Purchase the license for the course from DCA (for those purchasing a foundation document).
- Update the course so that it is correct and consistent with all relevant changes that have taken effect.
 - Submit the course to an accreditor for approval (accreditors will be advised that previously approved advanced courses submitted for updating should be reviewed and accredited only on the basis of updating changes - providers should make those changes very easy for the accreditor to locate and see for the quickest response.)
 - After FBC approval is obtained, submit the course to all appropriate DBPR boards for approval as a new course for that provider or, if appropriate, an updated course for that provider.

We apologize for the inconvenience. We are all governed by the requirements of Florida law, and we all want courses to be as accurate and useful as possible for all licensees. Unfortunately, time and budget constraints do not allow for the Florida Building Commission to undertake the current updates of the advance courses.

Please be advised that this same process will again be required after the regular 3-year Florida Building Code amendment cycle is completed (with expected implementation of code changes in the fall of 2006).

To access the 2005 code amendments:

www.floridabuilding.org

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