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To: Interested Parties

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Dear Interested Parties:

At its meeting of 4-6 August 2009, the Standard Council considered an appeal from Marcelo Hirschler, GBH International, requesting acceptance of Proposal 501-13 in the 2010 edition of NFPA 501, *Standard on Manufactured Housing*. Specifically the appellant seeks to return to the language accepted during the ROP for Section 5.3.2.6 addressing the interior finish of certain materials in bathrooms. The text reads as follows:

5.3.2.6 Interior finish materials on surfaces of plastic bathtubs, shower units, and tub or shower doors shall exhibit a flame spread index not exceeding 50. The smoke developed index shall not be limited.

After reviewing and considering all the information available to it, the Council voted to deny the appeal. The effect of this action, together with the identical action in Standards Council Decision #09-13 (Agenda Item 09-8-11-b) is that Section 5.3.2.6 will be deleted. This means the flame spread index for material used for plastic bathtubs, shower units and tub or shower doors will not exceed 200 per Section 5.4, as accepted in Standards Council Decision #09-15 (Agenda Item 09-8-11-c-1).

A full decision on this agenda item will be issued in due course, and will automatically be sent to all interested parties as soon as it becomes available.

Sincerely,

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Secretary, NFPA Standards Council

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   Members, NFPA Standards Council (AAD-AAA)
   Individuals Providing Appeal Commentary

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