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To: Interested Parties

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NFPA 501, Standard on Manufactured Housing, 2010 edition

Dear Interested Parties:

At its meeting of 4-6 August 2009, the Standard Council considered an appeal from Marcelo Hirschler, requesting the Council issue 2010 edition of NFPA 501, Standard on Manufactured Housing. Specifically he is seeking to return to the new text accepted during the ROP in Proposal 501-15 for Section 5.4 that reads as follows:

5.4 Fire Safety of Bathrooms. Materials used for plastic bathtubs, shower units, and tub or shower doors shall comply with the flame spread index of 200 in accordance with 5.3.1 or shall have a radiant panel index not exceeding 200 when tested in accordance with ASTM E162, Standard Test Method for Surface Flammability of Materials Using a Radiant Heat Energy Source.

After reviewing and considering all the information available to it, the Council voted to uphold the appeal. The effect of this action is that Section 5.4 will remain as written in the ROP in Proposal 501-15.

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,

Amy Beasley Cronin
Secretary, NFPA Standards Council

c: D. Berry, M. Brodoff, L. Fuller, R. Solomon, J. McGovern
   Members, TC on Manufactured Housing (MAN-AAA)
   Members, NFPA Standards Council (AAD-AAA)
   Individuals Providing Appeal Commentary

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