MEMO

TO: All Building Officials in Miami-Dade County

FROM: Michael L. Goolsby, Director
       Board and Code Administration Division

DATE: September 27th, 2012

SUBJECT: Interpretation of FBC Section 1513 – Roof Coatings, Adhesives and Mastics

At their meeting of September 20, 2012 the Board of Rules and Appeals considered a request for interpretation relating to the definition of "Roof Coatings, Adhesives and Mastics" as contained in Section 1513 of the Florida Building Code.

Specifically, the interpretation request sought to determine whether the introduction of a reinforcing fabric within a roof maintenance coating matrix is acceptable based on the Florida Building Code definition contained below:

ROOFING COATINGS, ADHESIVES AND MASTICS. Any and all liquid materials applied to the roofing membrane layer to enhance ultraviolet light resistance; increase resistance to fire; increase reflectivity of the roofing assembly; or, in some way, enhance the performance of the roofing assembly. Roofing coatings, adhesives or mastics shall not contain asbestos materials.

The Board interpreted that the definition of ROOFING COATINGS, ADHESIVES AND MASTICS and ROOFING MAINTENANCE should be interpreted to include coatings which incorporate reinforcing fabric within that classification/definition.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at (786) 315-2508.

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