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MEMO

TO: **All Building Officials in Miami-Dade County**

FROM: **Herminio F. González, P.E., Director**
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DATE: **January 9, 2006**

SUBJECT: **Repaired Damaged Mobile Homes**

As a result of Hurricanes Katrina and Wilma numerous mobile homes within Miami-Dade County have sustained damage, some to the extent that they have been declared unsafe for occupancy.

The State of Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles does not issue mobile home repair licenses, issue permits for the repair of mobile homes or employ mobile home field inspectors. Though not required, Building Departments may issue mobile home repair permits at their discretion.

Additionally, all mobile home repairs must comply with the Florida Administrative Code Chapter 15C-2.0081. This section, in part, requires that "Repair or remodeling of a mobile/manufactured home shall require the use of material and design equivalent to the original construction."

In order to ensure uniformity, facilitate necessary repairs and to provide a mechanism for mobile homes to be safely occupied, the following guidelines are effective in all incorporated and unincorporated areas of Miami-Dade County.

Mobile homes which require repairs or which have been declared unsafe by the Building Official:

- All repair work must be performed by contractors licensed pursuant to Chapter 10 of the Code of Miami-Dade County or Florida Statute 489.

- The Owner must obtain a mobile home tie-down/site hook-up permit from the municipal building department after all necessary repairs have been properly completed, for all mobile homes which have been declared unsafe.

In no way do these guidelines preclude the Building Official from establishing compliance with Florida Administrative Code Chapter 15C-2 or from pursuing appropriate action with regards to un-permitted additions, mobile homes deemed un-repairable or other violations.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Eduardo Fernandez of my staff, at (305) 375-5194.