

ADMINISTRATIVE RULE CORRESPONDENCE

Department of Commerce

Date:

To: Aaron Olver

From: Greg Jones

Rule No.: Chapters Comm 62 and 81 to 84

Relating To: Wisconsin Uniform Plumbing Code and Commercial Building Code

Subject: Announcement of Public Hearing

I have attached the required material for the announcement of a public hearing on the proposed rules to update the technical requirements for the design, construction and installation, inspection, and maintenance of plumbing. We are submitting this package to you for your review and approval of the proposed rules. Because the cut off for submission to the legislature is September 1, 2008, we have tentatively set the public hearing for July 8, 2008. Therefore, the secretary's approval will be needed by May 30 to facilitate publication in the mid-June Administrative Register.

The proposed rules consist of updates of chapters Comm 81 to 84, Uniform Plumbing Code, including the incorporation by reference of the latest editions of many national standards related to plumbing products and methodologies. The proposal would also allow the recycling of wastewater from water closets, change the calculation of the load factor on drain piping and upgrade the requirements for water conserving fixtures to more closely follow national standards. In addition, the allowance of waterless antiseptic cleansing provisions in chapter Comm 62, the Commercial Building Code, is being revised to only allow waterless antiseptic cleansing provisions where waterless toilets or urinals are used. The proposed rules were developed with the assistance of a 10-member advisory council, and the rule draft reflects the recommendations of the council.

Please review the attached material and let me know if you have any questions. If we can proceed with announcing the public hearing, please sign the required forms and letters and return this package to Norma Sampson. We will then finalize the public hearing, and prepare and distribute the required packages.

cc. Lynita Docken
Jim Quast
Bob DuPont



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Jim Doyle, Governor
Jack L. Fischer, A.I.A., Secretary

Ronald Sklansky, Director
Administrative Rules Clearinghouse
Wisconsin Legislative Council
1 East Main Street, Suite 401
Madison, WI 53703

Dear Mr. Sklansky:

**TRANSMITTAL OF PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE RULES
FOR LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL REVIEW**

RULE NO.: Chapters Comm 62 and 81 to 84

RELATING TO Wisconsin Uniform Plumbing Code and Commercial Building Code

Pursuant to section 227.15, Stats., agencies are required to submit copies of the proposed rules to the Legislative Council for review.

The attached proposed rules are in the form and style specified by section 227.14, Stats., and are being forwarded to you for review. Also attached are copies of a transmittal letter to the Legislative Reference Bureau, public notice, fiscal estimate, and initial regulatory flexibility analysis.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack L. Fischer, A.I.A.
Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE RULE CORRESPONDENCE

Department of Commerce

Date:

To: Carol Dunn

From: Jack L. Fischer, A.I.A.

Subject: Notification of Proposed Rules Affecting Small Business

Rule No.: Chapters Comm 62 and 81 to 84

Relating To: Wisconsin Uniform Plumbing Code and Commercial Building Code

The attached proposed rules are in the form and style specified by section 227.14 of the Statutes.

I am sending these rules to you for your review, under section 227.114 (5) of the Statutes. It does not appear that these rules will have a significant effect on small businesses.

Att.

COM-10545 (r. 12/06)

Bruce Hoesly, Code Editor
Legislative Reference Bureau
Suite 200
1 East Main Street
Madison, Wisconsin 53703

Dear Mr. Hoesly:

**TRANSMITTAL OF WRITTEN NOTICE OF HEARING
AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL REVIEW**

RULE NO.: Chapters Comm 62 and 81 to 84

RELATING TO: Wisconsin Uniform Plumbing Code and Commercial Building Code

AGENCY UNIT RESPONSIBLE: Commerce

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED: YES NO

CONTACT PERSON: Lynita Docken TITLE: Program Manager

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Pursuant to sections 227.14 (4m) and 227.17, Stats., agencies are required to transmit a written notice of submittal of proposed rules to the Legislative Council and a written notice of hearing to the Legislative Reference Bureau, for publication in the Administrative Register.

On the date on this letter the department is submitting proposed rules to the Legislative Council and is submitting the following material to you:

1. Notice of Public Hearing or 30-Day Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.
2. Fiscal Estimate.
3. Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis.
4. Draft of Proposed Rules.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack L. Fischer, A.I.A.
Secretary

STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to ss. 101.02 and 145.02, Stats., the Department of Commerce will hold a public hearing on proposed rules under chapters Comm 62 and 81 to 84 relating to the design, installation or construction, inspection and maintenance of plumbing.

The public hearing will be held as follows:

Date and Time:

Tuesday, July 8, 2008
10:00 a.m.

Location:

Thompson Commerce Building
Human Resources Conference Room (First Floor)
201 W. Washington Ave.
Madison, Wisconsin

Interested persons are invited to appear at the hearing and present comments on the proposed rules. Persons making oral presentations are requested to submit their comments in writing. Persons submitting comments will not receive individual responses. The hearing record on this proposed rulemaking will remain open until July 18, 2008, to permit submittal of written comments from persons who are unable to attend the hearing or who wish to supplement testimony offered at the hearing. Written comments should be submitted to Lynita Docken, at the Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 2689, Madison, WI 53701-2689, or Email at lynita.docken@wisconsin.gov.

This hearing is held in an accessible facility. If you have special needs or circumstances that may make communication or accessibility difficult at the hearing, please call (608) 266-8741 or (608) 264-8777 (TTY) at least 10 days prior to the hearing date. Accommodations such as interpreters, English translators, or materials in audio tape format will, to the fullest extent possible, be made available upon a request from a person with a disability.

The proposed rules and an analysis of the proposed rules are available on the Internet at the Safety and Buildings Division Web site at www.commerce.wi.gov/SB/. Paper copies may be obtained without cost from Roberta Ward, at the Department of Commerce, Program Development Bureau, P.O. Box 2689, Madison, WI 53701-2689, or Email at roberta.ward@wisconsin.gov, or at telephone (608) 266-8741 or (608) 264-8777 (TTY). Copies will also be available at the public hearing.

The small business regulatory coordinator for the Department of Commerce is Carol Dunn, who may be contacted at telephone (608) 267-0297, or Email at carol.dunn@wisconsin.gov.

INITIAL REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY ANALYSIS

Department of Commerce

RULE NO.: Chapters Comm 62 and 81 to 84

RELATING TO: Wisconsin Uniform Plumbing Code and Commercial Building Code

1. Types of small businesses that will be affected by the rules.

The proposed rules will affect any business involved with the ownership, design, construction and installation, inspection, repair and maintenance of plumbing.

2. Reporting, bookkeeping and other procedures required for compliance with the rules.

There are no additional reporting, bookkeeping or other procedures required for compliance with the rules.

3. Types of professional skills necessary for compliance with the rules.

There are no additional professional skills necessary for compliance with the rules.

4. Rules have a significant economic impact on small businesses.

No Rules not submitted to Small Business Regulatory Review Board

Yes Rules submitted to Small Business Regulatory Review Board

NOTICE of ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Department of Commerce

Rule No.: Chapters Comm 62 and 81 to 84

Relating to: Wisconsin Uniform Plumbing Code and Commercial Building Code

Notice is hereby given that the Department has prepared a preliminary Environmental Assessment (EA) on the proposed rules. The preliminary recommendation is a finding of no significant impact. Copies of the preliminary EA are available from the Department on request and will be available at the public hearings. Requests for the EA and comments on the EA should be directed to:

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Written comments will be accepted until July 15, 2008