

ICC Code Technology Committee

**Balanced Fire Protection
Roof vents study group**

Staff Teleconference Notes

May 16, 2007

Vice Chair Baldassarra initiated the teleconference at approximately 10:10 pm Central on May 16, 2007.

Members present: Baldassara (Schirmer, CTC), Beyler (Hughes, alternate to Thornberry), Schulte (Schulte Assoc.), Thornberry (AAMA Smoke Vent Task Group)

Interested parties present: Doctorman, Tubbs

Staff present: Pfeiffer

Rich Schulte noted that his Power Point presentation for the CTC meeting on June 20th has been posted.

Rick Thornberry noted a need to change to the staff notes from the March 23rd conference call. Specifically, the study group approved a motion to request to the CTC that Robert Salvaggio's vacancy on the study group be filled with a member from the fire service; and if a fire service representative is appointed to the CTC to fill Robert's CTC vacancy, the CTC replacement is preferred to be the fire service representative on the study group.

The question was raised: Is it the preference of the study group to provide 2 - 30 minute presentations (one in support of a code requirement for roof vents and one opposed) to the CTC on June 20th.

Discussion:

- Rich Schulte noted that his presentation was complete and posted. He preferred a presentation.
- Rick Thornberry noted that he preferred to work through the study group.
- It was noted that the study group is polarized on this issue and consensus may not be achieved on the key issues.
- The study group needs to let it do its work. It has only had 4 conference calls on the subject and maybe a face-to-face meeting would facilitate better discussions. It was also noted that the chairman had resigned and one of the appointed members does not always participate.
- If the effort is to continue in a study group, clearly defined action items with deadlines and milestones needs to be established. A definitive work plan is needed. After 4 conference calls, the group is still on Item 2a of the 2/22/07 study outline and there are some 17 items.
- CTC would probably prefer that the study group bring back some semblance of a consensus on this issue instead of deferring the issues to the CTC to deliberate and determine a position.

Action:

A bullet point list of critical issues needs to be identified. May want to start with the issues indicated in Rich Schultes PP. Rich and Rick to bring something back to the study group.

Next conference call: June 10th @ 10:00 am

Call adjourned at approximately 11:05 am.