

April 30, 2004

MEMORANDUM

**To: Building Code Council Members
Code Enforcement Officials
Other Interested Parties**

**From: Barry Gupton, P.E.
Chief Code Consultant
Code Services Section**

**Re: March 9, 2004 BCC Meeting Minutes
Items 6 & 7, Plumbing Fixture Count
2002 Plumbing Code
Table 403.1, Footnote 26**

At the March 9, 2004 Building Code Council meeting, John Hitch made a motion (Al Bass seconded, motion carried) to accept the International Plumbing Code as an alternate source for fixture counts. This Memorandum is at Council's request to encourage acceptance by the local CEO. The 2003 IPC may be used as an alternate to the 2002 NC Plumbing Code for fixture count. Both the "Occupant Load" and the "Minimum Number of Plumbing Facilities" must be calculated using the 2003 Code edition.

Example: The 2003 International Building Code "Occupant Load" in Table 1004.1.2 must be used with the 2003 International Plumbing Code "Minimum Number of Plumbing Facilities" in Table 403.1. The "Minimum Number of Plumbing Facilities" is also published in the 2003 IBC, Chapter 29 Table 2902.1.

Refer to the 2002 NC Plumbing Code, Section 403.3 "Plumbing Fixtures in Schools" for special provisions in schools. Deviation from this Section may create a conflict with the Division of School Planning requirements for public schools. Also, refer to the 1999 NC Accessibility Code, Section 11.2 "Access to Toilets" for travel distance to toilets in malls and schools.