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California Building Standards Commission
2525 Natomas Park Drive, Ste. 130
Sacramento, Ca. 95833
Attn: Dave Walls, Executive Director

Dear Mr. Walls,

I am opposed to the use of PVC & ABS pipes and fittings in hospitals, correctional facilities, nursing homes, and correctional treatment centers.

PVC & ABS being combustible emit toxic fumes when burning. Burning plastics can also contribute to the spread of fire. The larger buildings would have more plastic, more toxins in a fire. Cast iron will not burn or create toxic fumes.

Cast iron pipe & fittings are made from 100% recycled scrap iron. Plastic uses virgin resins and is not recyclable.

Public safety & protecting the environment should play a major role in decisions made by the California Building Standards Commission. Please leave in place current restrictions for the use of PVC & ABS.

A Concerned Citizen –
Regards,

Mario Tanigawa.