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**CALIFORNIA BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION  
APPOINTS NEW DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

(Sacramento)- Jim McGowan, Executive Director of the California Building Standards Commission (CBSC), announced today that Michael Nearman (50) of Elk Grove, California has been appointed Deputy Executive Director (effective December 9, 2011).

McGowan recognized Nearman's wealth of experience and knowledge of California's building codes and regulatory rulemaking processes in his remarks. "Mike has developed the skill sets and knowledge base necessary to effectively lead and guide this organization in realizing its mission to produce California's building standards in an easily understandable and usable format. And he is well respected by both stakeholders participating in the regulatory process and his peers."

Nearman was and remains a key and knowledgeable contributor to the development and maintenance of CALGreen, California's first-in-the-nation Green Building Standards Code.

Nearman has served the commission for eleven years as an Architectural Associate. For over a decade he has been intricately involved in the state's code development and approval processes. He joined the commission in 2000 with many years of private sector experience in large architectural firms. He routinely served as a job captain or project manager on both commercial and residential projects, managing both the workforce and construction aspects.

The son of a naval officer, Mike was born in the state of Virginia and lived in several areas of the country before his family settled in California. With brief periods in Long Beach and Alameda his parents ultimately established a home in Marin. Mike pursued his education in the Sacramento region and stayed. He is a dedicated husband to

Rhonda, his wife of 20 years, and father to their two children, Alex and Max. He is an avid car enthusiast and sportsman, which he shares with his sons.

This position does not require Senate confirmation. The annual compensation is \$84,000.00.

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