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State of California
State and Consumer Services Agency
California Building Standards Commission
2525 Natomas Park Drive, Suite 130
Sacramento, CA 95833

To: Building Standards Commission
Re: Support of PEX Water Piping Approval in California

We are a residential plumbing subcontractor in southern California and are in our 26th year. We have employed as many as 80 Californians at various times in our history.

We agree and fully support the proposed modifications regarding PEX tubing, as issued on July 10, 2008. This includes the modifications issued for all agencies listed:

Building Standards Commission (BSC)
Division of the State Architect-Structural Safety (DSA-SS)
Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD)
Housing and Community Development (HCD)

We firmly believe that PEX tubing is the best product available for domestic water distribution systems, and should be a clear option for use in any jurisdiction in California.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Steven R. Hartshorn, President
Orange Pacific Plumbing, Inc.