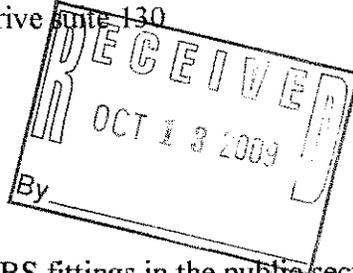


October 9, 2009

California Building Standards Commission
2525 Natomas Park Drive Suite 130
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Dear Mr. Walls,

The use of PVC and ABS fittings in the public sector including hospitals, Nursing facilities and in the correctional system is a hazard to public safety. The material mentioned above is toxic in a fire and will contribute to its rapid Spread. By comparison cast iron pipe is non combustible and 100% recyclable. Cast iron pipe is also made from recycled iron from the post consumer market. Plastic pipe is not recyclable and made from virgin resins. I urge you not to remove the restrictions on PVC and ABS material fittings.

Thank you
Dennis Merrill

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dennis Merrill".