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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 101-06(c)(8)(iii) OF SUBCHAPTER A OF CHAPTER 100 OF TITLE 1 OF THE RULES OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

Effective: Immediately

Specifics:

Section 101-06(c)(8)(iii) of Subchapter A of Chapter 100 of Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York governs the qualifications of special inspectors to perform special inspections required by the New York City Construction Codes. It provides:

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this rule and Appendix A, an individual who satisfies all requirements set forth in Appendix A to qualify as a special inspector except for the required certification shall be deemed a special inspector until July 1, 2009 provided that such individual meets the initial acceptable qualifications. In order to continue as a special inspector beyond July 1, 2009, such individual shall obtain the certification required in Appendix A.

The rule governing special inspections became effective July 1, 2008 as part of the first phase of the Department's implementation of the New York City Construction Codes. Special inspectors had one (1) year to become certified. Feedback from the filing community indicates that there are insufficient numbers of certified inspectors at this time due, in part, to lack of familiarity with the new regulations and delay in achieving compliance. Adherence to the July 1, 2009 effective date for registration would thus bring large numbers of jobs to a halt, as their special inspectors would not be qualified to continue. Accordingly, pursuant to Administrative Code §101.4.2 (1), the Department of Buildings hereby extends the period for compliance with Section 101-06(c)(8)(iii) such that enforcement will begin no sooner than December 31, 2009.