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OPERATIONS
POLICY AND PROCEDURE NOTICE # 11/93

To: Distribution
From: Barry G. Cox
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Subject: Unsafe Building Violations

Purpose:

To provide an alternate remedy in those instances when vacating a structure is not warranted, but where hazardous conditions exist and an owner has not taken action required to cure the condition.

Effective: Immediately

Reference: Article 8, Sections 26-235 and 236

Specifics:

Depending upon the severity of the condition, action beyond the issuance of a hazardous ECB violation should be taken by the inspector, especially in those instances where prior hazardous ECB violations have been ignored, or where the affected area of the building has sustained further deterioration or may deteriorate rapidly in the near future.

When a dangerous, unsafe, or structurally hazardous condition is observed on or in any structure or part of a structure which is not sufficient to require the structure to be vacated as it is not in "actual and immediate danger" of collapse, an unsafe building violation shall be issued by an inspector. The unsafe building violation shall be sent immediately to the UB Unit at 60 Hudson Street and a precept will be sought from the court.

This precept will enable the city to recapture any monies it expends should it repair the dangerous, unsafe, or structurally hazardous condition, or, if other temporary steps to protect the public from the unsafe condition were taken because the owner failed to correct the condition him/herself.