CALIFORNIA BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION INFORMAL NOTIFICATION

DATE: October 7, 2019

FOR: LOCAL BUILDING DEPARTMENTS

STATE AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENTS

INTERESTED PARTIES

SUBJECT: 2019 California Existing Building Code, Part 10, Title 24, CCR

The California Building Standards Commission wishes to provide advance information, ahead of a formal Information Bulletin, yet to be published, regarding errors and omissions identified within the publication of the 2019 California Existing Building Code (CEBC), Chapter 16 / Referenced Standards. The reason for advance notice is this error in may have great impact in the local ordinance adoption for many authorities having jurisdiction.

BACKGROUND:

During the 2018 Triennial Code Adoption Cycle, state agencies proposed for adoption and the Commission approved ASCE/SEI 7-16 and ASCE/SEI 41-17; both reference standards were incorporated in the 2018 edition of the International Existing Building Code. The Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development chose to retain their adoption of the 2013 edition of ASCE/SEI 41, addressing specific provisions within Chapter 3A. Thus, it was intended that the three entries be published in Chapter 16 of the 2019 California Existing Building Code.

THE ISSUE:

A codification error resulted in the ASCE/SEI 41-17 text unintentionally being removed from the 2019 CEBC publication. Thus implying that the ASCE/SEI 41-17 is not applicable in California.

THE SOLUTION:

An errata supplement will be issued by the publisher, to restore the missing ASCE/SEI 14-17 text. CBSC has submitted other error and omission items to the International Code Council (ICC) for an errata package that ICC is currently developing. The errata package will be issued December 23 and will have a January 1, 2020 effective date that coincides with the effective date of the 2019 California Building Standards Code. In the interim period, CBSC wishes to inform local agencies of this particular error and intended fix. The errata correction will appear as:

ASCE/SEI

7-16: Minimum Design Loads and Associated Criteria for Buildings and Other Structures

303.2, 303A.2, 303.3.1, 501A.3, 502A.5, 503A.13, 503.4, 503.12, 800.3, 806.4

41—13: Seismic Evaluation and Retrofit of Existing Buildings *303A.2*, 303.3.1, Table 303.3.1, 303.3.2, Table 303.3.2, 303A.3.4, 303A.3.5

41—17: Seismic Evaluation and Retrofit of Existing Buildings

303.3.1, Table 303.3.1, 303.3.2, Table 303.3.2

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AMENDMENT AUTHORITY:

Local governments may amend the building standards contained in the California Building Standards Code, Title 24 as provided in state law. The state laws regarding local amendments are specific to the types of buildings and building features, and establish requirements and restrictions for amendments.

CBSC issued Information Bulletin 19-05 on June 24, 2019, which contains requirements of state law establishing the application of the California Building Standards Code in Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations. Specifically, the bulletin describes how local governments must enforce the Title 24 provisions as applicable, may enact more restrictive requirements for local conditions, and adopt administrative regulations and approve alternatives. The bulletin contains links to additional resources such as a Guide for Local Amendment of Building Standards and a Local Jurisdictions webinar.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact our office at (916) 263-0916 or email your inquiry to cbsc@dgs.ca.gov.