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To: DGS - OBAS
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From: Jim McGowan, Executive Director
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Subject: **Certification Requirement – Contract, ICC Part 1, 6, 7 (vacant), 8, 11 and 12**

I certify that this purchase is vital and mission critical for the Building Standards Commission.

The California Building Standards Administrative Code (CBSAC), California Energy Code (CEC), California Historical Building Code (CHBC), California Green Building Standards Code (CGBSC) and California Referenced Standards Code (CRSC) are not based on model building codes.

However, in an advice letter dated June 6, 2001, from the Department of Justice (DOJ), it was stated that, "If it obtains the appropriate administrative approvals, the [California Building Standards] Commission may arrange for publication of [all parts of] the [California] Building Standards Code on a sole-source basis." The reasoning given was that it may be more cost effective and there would be more uniformity if the non-model code based parts were published by one of the model code publishers publishing the model code based parts.

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