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September 8, 2009

Mr. Lester Germanio P.E.
2402 West Ninth Street
Austin, TX 78703

Dear Mr. Germanio:

RE: Policy Advisory request dated July 1, 2009

Thank you for your policy advisory request asking for the Board's position on what defines a structure as being a hazard or unsafe for the purpose of local code enforcement.

The Policy Advisory Opinion Committee met in an open public meeting on August 20, 2009 and considered your request. After discussion, the Committee determined that the Board does not have any statute or rules that allow it to write, establish, or interpret building codes or any engineering specifications defining hazards or the soundness of a structure; therefore, your request is not under the jurisdiction of the Board.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

Dale Beebe Farrow P.E.
Executive Director

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