MEMORANDUM

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To: Maryland Approved Testing Facilities
   Maryland Approved Industrialized Building Manufacturers
   Maryland Local Jurisdictions

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Ref: Climatic and Geographic Design Criteria, Applicable Only to Industrialized/Modular Buildings Subjected to Maryland Model Performance Code (COMAR 05.02.01*)

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This Memorandum supersedes the three previously issued Memoranda, dated November 18, 2011, December 23, 2014 and January 20, 2015 regarding design criteria. This Memorandum applies to design & construction of industrialized/modular buildings only, which are subjected to the requirements of Model Performance Code (COMAR 05.02.01*). The Model Performance Code (MPC) is a statewide regulation governing the design/construction for modular buildings and State buildings.

The Climatic and Geographic Design Criteria (per 2015 IRC Table R301.2(1)) for modular buildings must follow the requirements of the individual Maryland local jurisdictions. Please contact the individual counties/cities for the particular requirements for each jurisdiction.

Attached to this document is a recent survey of currently adopted Climatic and Geographic Design Criteria in Maryland. This is provided for reference only.

Once the 2018 edition of the I-codes are amended and adopted by all local jurisdictions, the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (DLLR) will publish an updated reference tool listing the Climatic and Geographic Design Criteria adopted by all Maryland jurisdictions.

If you have any question, please contact Norman Wang, Director of Building Codes Administration at 410-767-0548 or email at norman.wang1@maryland.gov

*Editor’s Note: With the move of Building Codes Administration to DLLR, the COMAR designation is currently projected to be re-designated under COMAR 09.12.50 in March of 2019.