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Department of Public Safety and Corrections  
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**NEW CONSTRUCTION**

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RE: P0341015  
NEW OFFICE BUILDING FOR KEN STARLING  
HWY 190  
SLIDELL, LA 70460

NFPA 101, 2006

BUSINESS

Dear Applicant:

This is to advise that we have reviewed the drawings and specifications for the subject proposed construction and have determined that they appear to satisfactorily comply with the adopted laws, codes, rules and regulations of The State Fire Marshal subject to the following requirements:

- 1. **REVIEW FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE, in accordance with Act 12 of the 2005 First Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature, IS NOT INCLUDED IN THIS REVIEW. Contact the building official of the applicable political subdivision to coordinate compliance with these requirements. LRS 40:1730.23 mandates the enforcement of building codes by municipalities and parishes in Louisiana, as described by LRS 40:1730.28.**

**Note: In accordance with the Louisiana State Construction Code Council rules, LAC 55:VI, Chapter 5, Section 505, until December 31, 2007, where a parish or municipality is not providing plan review, then architects, engineers, owners, parishes or municipalities on commercial projects may request International Building Code plan review by the Office of the State Fire Marshal. Also in accordance with LRS 40:1730.39.A, this office may establish contract agreements with municipalities and parishes in order to provide code enforcement on their behalf, as provided in LRS 40:1730.24. Please visit our web site at <http://www.dps.state.la.us/sfm/index.htm> for a current list of jurisdictions requesting plan review by this office, a fee schedule, and a checklist of information required for review.**

- 2. **This review is for the tenant build-out of suite 8 only.**
- 3. **101:6.1.5 This review applies to a business occupancy classification. If four or more patients are treated at the same time making them incapable of self-preservation without assistance from others during times of emergency, then the project shall be resubmitted for review as an ambulatory health care occupancy. (See NFPA 101:18.1.3 for definition).**

NOTE: THE COMMENTS LISTED BELOW IDENTIFY APPARENT DEFICIENCIES DETECTED IN OUR REVIEW OF THE DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED.

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4. 101:7.1.5.1 Headroom shall be not less than 7'-6" in a means of egress with no projection less than 6'-8" nominal height from the floor.

NOTE: See sheet A-4.

5. LAC 55:V:303.D Provide listed portable fire extinguishers in accordance with NFPA 10. (Refer to Appendix E for distribution information.)

a) NFPA 10.3.3.4 Classifications for fires:

Class A fires-fires in ordinary combustible materials, such as wood, cloth, paper, rubber and many plastics.

Class B fires-fires in flammable liquids, combustible liquids, petroleum greases, tars, oils, oil-based paints, solvents, lacquers, alcohols and flammable gases.

Class C fires-fires that involve energized electrical equipment.

Class D fires-fires in combustible metals.

Class K fires-fires in cooking appliances that involve combustible cooking media (vegetable or animal oils and fats.)

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NOTE: THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS IDENTIFY ISSUES FOR INFORMATIONAL AND CAUTIONARY PURPOSES OR ISSUES THAT COULD NOT BE VERIFIED IN THE SUBMITTED DOCUMENTS.

6. 101:7.2.1.3.1 and 7.1.6.3 The floor elevation shall not change by more than 1/2" from one side of a door to the other.
7. 101:7.2.1.3 Provide level landings outside exterior doors that are within 1/2" of the interior finish floor elevation.
8. 101:7.2.1.5.9 Doors shall be capable of being opened with ONLY one releasing operation. A two-step release, such as a knob and an independent slide bolt, or an additional exit request button, is NOT acceptable.
9. 101:7.2.1.5 Locks on doors in means of egress shall not require the use of a key, special device or special knowledge to open in the direction of egress.
10. NFPA 10:5.1.4 Provide portable fire extinguishers within the following travel distances; rectilinear route measure:
- a) Travel distance to a fire extinguisher shall not exceed 75 feet for Class A, C and D fires. Table 10:5.2.1 and 10:5.5 and 10:5.6.
- b) Travel distance to a fire extinguisher shall not exceed 30 feet for Class B fires (liquids). (May be increased to 50 feet for Light (low) Hazard fires with 10-B extinguisher, for Ordinary (moderate) Hazard fires with 20-B extinguisher, and for Extra (high) Hazard fires with 80-B extinguisher.) Table 10:5.3.1.

For classification of Hazards see 10:1.4.1 (Light/Low), 10:1.4.2 (Ordinary/Moderate); 10:1.4.3 (Extra/High)

11. NFPA 10:1.5.3 Fire extinguishers shall be conspicuously located where they will be readily accessible and immediately available in the event of fire. Preferably they shall be located along normal paths of travel, including exits from areas.
12. NFPA 10:1.5.10 Top of fire extinguisher, having a gross weight less than 40 lb, shall be not more than 5 feet above the floor; if gross weight 40 lbs or greater, 3-1/2 feet above the floor.
13. 101:8.7.4 Laboratories that use chemicals shall comply with NFPA 45.
14. Nonflammable gas systems used for medical and dental purposes shall be installed in accordance with NFPA 99. If more than 3 stations utilize gas systems, the occupancy shall be classified as Ambulatory Health Care or Hospital.
15. NFPA 70:517.13 Wiring in "PATIENT CARE AREAS" shall comply with NFPA 70:517.13(A) and (B). (ROMEX is not acceptable).
16. HVAC system shall be constructed in accordance with 101:9.2.
17. 101:9.2.1 Install smoke detectors to automatically stop the fan in HVAC duct systems over 2000 cfm in accordance with NFPA 90A:6.4.2(1). Where fire alarm system is required, duct detectors shall be connected to building alarm system.
18. NFPA 90A:6.4.4.3 Where smoke detectors required by Section 6.4 are installed in a building NOT equipped with an approved protective signaling system as specified by 6.4.4.2:
  - a. The smoke detector activation required by Section 6.4 shall cause a visual AND an audible signal in a normally occupied area, and
  - b. Smoke detector trouble conditions shall be indicated visually OR audibly in a normally occupied area and shall be identified as air duct detector trouble.

Provide a remote alarm indicator/annunciator in accordance with NFPA 72:6.10.2 for these conditions.
19. LRS 40:1730.45 and LAC 55:V:2601 The documentation provided for the subject facility appears to comply with The Commercial Building Energy Conservation Code based on ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA 90.1- 2004, or the International Energy Conservation Code, 2006 edition, as applicable.
20. NOTE: Please enclose a copy of this letter with future submittals or other correspondence pertaining to this project.

Changes to construction in the field which are not consistent with the reviewed documents are not authorized unless reviewed by this office for compliance with Code. Modifications to reviewed plans must be submitted to this office by the Architect/Civil Engineer for review prior to final inspection. If an Architect or Civil Engineer is not required by RS 37:155, revisions shall be submitted by the Owner. Submittals shall include plans, completed application, a minimum \$55.00 review fee, and a copy of the most current plan review letter.

Compliance with code requirements for fire protection systems, such as Fire Alarm, Sprinkler and Suppression Systems, is determined by separate shop drawing submittal and is not included in this review.

This review shall in no way permit and/or authorize any omissions or deviations from the specific requirements of the adopted codes, rules and regulations in accordance with R.S. 40:1574.1(B).

This review is valid for 180 days from the date of this letter. Construction permits must be issued and/or construction must commence within this time period.

This office requires certification of the completed project in accordance with the approved documents (certificate enclosed).

**Occupancy of the project will not be permitted until we receive the completed certificate and a satisfactory inspection of the completed construction has been made by this office.**

**To arrange for inspection of the project, please contact the District Office at the phone number below two (2) to three (3) weeks in advance. The plans stamped reviewed by this office must be available on job site at time of inspection. Certificate of completion must be provided to the inspecting Deputy for final inspection.**

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