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## Proposed Change to Windstorm Building Requirements or Procedures in the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association Plan of Operation

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**Please complete the following for each proposed change:  
(A separate form must be submitted for each proposed change.)**

**1. Proposed change to the following building requirement or procedure:**

Refer to attached pages.

**2. Proposed change is to:**

**Document:** 2006 International Building Code \_\_\_\_\_  
**Section:** 1714.5.2 \_\_\_\_\_  
**Table** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Figure** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Appendix** \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Please use the following format to present the proposed change:**

~~LINE THROUGH LANGUAGE TO BE DELETED~~ UNDERLINE NEW LANGUAGE TO BE ADDED

**4. Proposed Change. Please specify change. Attach additional sheets if needed.**

Refer to attached pages.

**5. Reason for Change. Please state purpose and reason for change. Attach additional sheets if needed.**

Refer to attached pages.

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- 6. Attach supporting written or printed information, including, but not limited to, test data, structural calculations, and/or documentation that the proposed change complies with the minimum wind load criteria and design standards specified in the building requirements adopted by the Texas Department of Insurance. Attach supporting written or printed information relating to the proposed changes to the building requirements or procedures contained in the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association Plan of Operation.**

*Pursuant to Article 21.49, §6C of the Insurance Code, this proposal form must be complete and submitted to the address specified above not later than the 30<sup>th</sup> day before the date of a scheduled advisory committee meeting for the proposal to be considered at that meeting.*

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**1714.5.2 Exterior window and door assemblies not provided for in Section 1714.5.1.** Exterior window and door assemblies shall be tested in accordance with ASTM E 330. Exterior window and door assemblies containing glass shall comply with Section 2403. The design pressure for testing shall be calculated in accordance with Chapter 16. Each assembly shall be tested for 10 seconds at a load equal to 1.5 times the design pressure. [The exterior window and door assemblies shall bear a label which indicates the manufacturer name, the series or model number, and the design pressure rating.](#)

Reason for Texas Revision:

One of the difficulties in performing an inspection on a window or door assembly that is not required to bear a label from an inspection agency, such as AAMA, WDMA, NAMI or Keystone, is the inspector's inability to identify the product or to determine its performance rating. The proposed Texas Revision will require such window and door assemblies to bear a simple, manufacturer produced, label that identifies the manufacturer, the series or model number, and its design pressure rating. This will make it much easier for an inspector to perform their inspections.

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