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## Proposed Change to Windstorm Building Specifications Adopted By the Texas Department of Insurance

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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:** Section 2006 International Building Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Table 1714.9 (new section) \_\_\_\_\_  
Figure \_\_\_\_\_  
Appendix \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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**5. Reason for Change. Please specify reason for change. Attach additional sheets if needed.**

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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 windstorm building specifications adopted by the Texas Department of Insurance.**

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1714.9 Method of Test for Exterior Walls

Glazed curtain wall, window wall and storefront systems shall be tested in accordance with the requirements of section 1714.5.1,1714.5.2,1714.7 and the Laboratory Test requirements of the American Architectural Manufacturers Association (AAMA) Standard 501.

Reason for Texas Revision:

This proposed new section and subsection provides guidance for requirements for the testing and labeling of Glazed curtain wall, window wall and storefront systems. Proposed Section 1714.7 references Section 1609.1.2, which provides guidance for windborne debris requirements. The proposed new section parallels similar requirements specified in R613.7 of the IRC. The proposed new section would be meant to achieve compliance of glazed curtain wall, window wall and storefront systems with the intent of the code which, guarantees the health, safety and welfare of the general public.

The proposed new section will maintain the nationally recognized modulus, whereby; the number and type of field tests is defined by contractual conditions between the commercial project developer and the fenestration product supplier

*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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