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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:

Building planning section of the IRC.

2. Proposed change is to:

**Document IRC
Section R301.1**

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.

R301.1 Application. Buildings and structures, and all parts thereof, shall be constructed to safely support all loads, including dead loads, live loads, roof loads, flood loads, snow loads, wind loads and seismic loads as prescribed by this code. The construction of buildings and structures in accordance with the provisions of this code shall result in a system that provides a ~~complete continuous~~ load path that meets all requirements for the transfer of all loads from their point of origin through the load-resisting elements to the foundation. ~~Buildings and structures constructed as prescribed by this code are deemed to comply with the requirements of this section.~~

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

Changing complete to continuous more adequately describes what is necessary to provide a wind resistant structures to meet the requirements of the TWIA Plan of Operation. Strikethrough the last portion, because meeting the prescriptive requirements of the IRC alone is inadequate in high wind areas, and this wording gives the impression that it is.

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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 30th day before the date of a scheduled advisory committee meeting for the proposal to be considered at that meeting.

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