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ANSI/SBCA FS 100–2012 Adopted into 2015 IBC

Madison, WI— At the 2015 International Building Code (IBC) Final Action Hearings in Portland, OR on October 24–28, ANSI/SBCA FS 100–2012: Standard Requirements for Wind Pressure Resistance of Foam Plastic Insulating Sheathing Used in Exterior Wall Covering Assemblies was unanimously approved for inclusion into the model code.

This new American National Standard establishes wind pressure resistance requirements for foam plastic insulating sheathing (FPIS) products used as exterior wall sheathing, including use as continuous insulation in exterior wall covering assemblies for the purpose of demonstrating wind pressure performance. This includes performance testing, analysis and quality control procedures.

“One of our primary goals in creating this standard was its inclusion in the model building code, “ said Brian Lieburn of Dow Building Solutions, FS 100 Project Committee Chair and member of the American Chemistry Council’s Foam Sheathing Committee (FSC) Technical Advisory Committee. “Its swift adoption into the 2015 IBC is testament to the power of the consensus-based standards development we went through to complete FS 100–2012.”

During the IBC hearing, both the American Wood Council (AWC) and APA–The Engineered Wood Association spoke in favor of including FS 100–2012 into the 2015 IBC. FS 100–2012 represents the first standard completed by the Structural Building Components Association (SBCA) since its accreditation as an ANSI standards development organization in 2010. The standard is available at www.sbcindustry.com/fs100.php.

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The Structural Building Components Association (SBCA) who represents, at the market’s peak in 2006, $15 billion worth of lumber and engineered wood products purchases and $1 billion in galvanized sheet steel purchases, is an international not-for-profit trade association of structural building component manufacturers. Currently, SBCA has 402 component manufacturer members, 35 chapters, and 177 supplier and related services members seeking to protect and expand the markets for the products they manufacture.