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Sara C. Yerkes
Senior Vice President, Government Relations
International Code Council

RE: ASHRAE's Support of the Water Efficiency Provisions in the IgCC

Dear Ms. Yerkes:

As a cooperating sponsor of the International Code Council's (ICC) International Green Construction Code (IgCC), ASHRAE is pleased and honored to support the newly published IgCC Water Efficiency Provisions (WEP). This document fills a needed role, providing comprehensive and synchronized regulatory provisions for jurisdictions wishing to incorporate water efficiency into building practices.

ASHRAE assisted in the development of the IgCC, which was developed using ICC's open, transparent, and consensus-based code development process, and serves as the first model code to include sustainability measures for an entire construction project and its site – from design, through construction, certificate of occupancy and beyond.

ANSI/ASHRAE/USGBC/IES Standard 189.1-2011, *Standard for the Design of High-Performance, Green Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings*, serves as a compliance option for the IgCC, providing the building industry with greater flexibility in the design of high-performance buildings.

ASHRAE strongly supports the WEP and the advances in water efficiency that its use represents.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom Watson". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Thomas E. Watson