



May 1, 2019

Ms. Tiffany Lengyel
145 Wilderness Way
Bristol, CT 06010

Dear Ms. Lengyel:

RE: Section 109.3 of the 2015 IBC portion of the 2018 SBC

This is in response to your letter of April 18, 2019 in which you are seeking an interpretation of the following questions:

QUESTION 1: Is the permit value (based on a municipality fee structure) just the cost of actual construction labor and material? Is overhead and profit excluded from a permit value for all Connecticut Municipalities?

ANSWER: Section 109.3 of the 2015 International Building Code portion of the 2018 State Building Code states in part that *"The applicant for a permit shall provide an estimated permit value at time of application. Permit valuations shall include total value of work, including materials and labor, for which the permit is being issued"*. Based on the fact that Section 109.3 states "value of work", including materials and labor, not the cost of construction; overhead and profit would not have to be included in the valuation of a Building Permit.

QUESTION 2: Are the items listed in Section 105.2 "work exempt from permits" excluded from the valuation of construction declaration on the permit application?

ANSWER: Yes. Based on the language of Section 109.3 of the above mentioned code, the permit application could reasonably omit the value of items for which a permit is not required.

QUESTION 3: Are all towns required to follow the 2018 State Building Code without change or modifications?

ANSWER: Yes. Section 29-253 of the Connecticut General Statutes states that "The State Building Code, including any amendments to said code . . . shall be the building code for all towns and cities and boroughs".

Sincerely,

Joseph V. Cassidy, P.E.
State Building Inspector

c: Daniel Tierney, Deputy State Building Inspector