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### Call to Order

The Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee (MHCC) Regulatory Subcommittee meeting was held during the October 25-27, 2016 meetings in Washington, DC. Chairman, Debra Blake, called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. (Eastern) on Thursday, October 27, 2016. Kevin Kauffman, Program Manager of the Administering Organization (AO) Home Innovation Research Labs, called the roll and announced that a quorum was present. See [Appendix A](#) for a list of meeting attendees.

### Approval of the Minutes

**Motion to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2015 MHCC Regulatory Subcommittee meeting.**

Maker: Joseph Anderson

Second: Jeffrey Legault

The motion carried (note Loretta Dibble abstained as she was not in attendance).

### Log Item 135 – Water Supply Testing

Chairman Blake provided some background on the Log Item 135 and noted that pvc manufacturers warn against testing their pipes with air due to safety risks. During the MHCC meeting in January 2016, the committee was in disagreement whether the testing issue concerned the entire water system or with just the yard line and returned Log Item 135 back to the Regulatory Subcommittee for more clarification. Ms. Blake referred the subcommittee to the substantiating document for log 135.

Ms. Blake said the proposed change is for the “yard line” testing – the pipe extending from the street to the house. When you test the yard line, water instead of air should be used for the test and this recommendation is based on the potential for personal injury.

Alan Spencer asked how could the yard line be tested. Ms. Blake said during new construction, the piping can be tested using water during the installation when the trench is being cut.

Richard Weinert said this is really an onsite issue. If you lay a piece of pipe where there has never been a home before make sure there is a pressure test done when its inspected. The cpvc air testing has been a problem for a long time. It should be a water test not an air test.

Ms. Blake said the utility system connections section addresses gas and drainage but not water supply. We should also be looking at the ground connection from onsite to the home and be testing that connection. As the water lines are run preparing to be connected to the home, it seems appropriate to be testing those connections.

Richard Weinert said that the proposed language in Log Item 135 is adequate.

**Motion to recommend that the MHCC approve Log Item 135.**

Maker: Ishbel Dickens

Second: Richard Weinert

The motion carried.

The MHCC Regulatory Subcommittee adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

**APPENDIX A:  
Subcommittee Attendees**

<b>Regulatory Enforcement</b>			
<b>3282, 3285, 3286, 3288</b>			
	<b>Name</b>	<b>Email</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
Users	Ishbel Dickens	ishbel@nmhoa.org	Y
	Loretta Dibble	dibble@rci.rutgers.edu	Y
	James Demitrus	portagepacer@aol.com	Y
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	Robin Roy	rroy@nextenergy.com.au	Y
	Richard Weinert	rweinert@hcd.ca.gov	Y

**HUD Staff**

Pamela Danner, DFO  
 Patricia McDuffie  
 Jason McJury  
 Richard Mendlen  
 Teresa Payne  
 Demetress Stringfield

**AO Staff, Home Innovation Research Labs**

Kevin Kauffman  
 Nay Shah  
 Tanya Akers

**MHCC Members**

MHCC Committee members in attendance of the October 25-27, 2016 meeting were present

**Other Participants**

Lois Starkey, Manufactured Housing Institute (MHI)  
 Mark Weiss, Manufactured Housing Association for Regulatory Reform (MHARR)