



March 17, 2009

To All Interested Parties

As announced during the “Pallet Stakeholder Meeting” conducted at UL on Thursday, March 12, we are sending this notice to keep everyone informed as simply and quickly as possible. We have several items in this email you may be interested in:

1. An email list has been established to keep meeting participants informed on the issue. It is our intent to notify you periodically via email when new information is posted to the website or specific action is needed. Anyone who wants to be added to the email list should send an email to the cab@firemarshals.org address providing their name, company, title, phone, mailing address, and email address and ask to be added to the list.
2. NASFM is asking interested parties to submit any suggested revisions or inclusions to the “draft” code application bulletin (CAB) with specific detail of what you are asking, including the rationale supporting your revision. If there are areas you believe the CAB should be expanded to cover to make the most efficient use of this training opportunity, include this as well, with the same type of supporting documentation. We will be accepting additional comments through March 31, 2009; comments should be submitted via cab@firemarshals.org just as has been done in the past. The additional comments will be posted on the NASFM website at <http://www.firemarshals.org/programs/code-enforcement-training-and-support/>
3. There was general agreement at the stakeholders workshop that it would be beneficial for NASFM to establish a small NASFM Working Group, with representation from the various interested parties (including FM, UL

and NFPA), to develop a training and education program for use by code enforcement personnel when inspecting the adequacy of fire protection of pallets. Attendees expressed support for this approach and a willingness to participate. NASFM will consider the formation of a working group with a decision by no later than April 15, 2009. Names of those interested in serving should also be sent to cab@firemarshals.org by March 31, 2009. It's expected that the training and education program would be delivered on a regional basis where NASFM, code enforcement officials as well as those within the various segments of the pallet industry, and others would be welcome to participate.

4. A rollout of the NASFM training and education program (or a progress report on its development) is being planned for the NASFM Annual Conference June 19-21, 2009, in Redmond, Washington. More detailed information will follow or you can visit www.firemarshals.org and click on the Annual Conference link to see how you can get involved now.

Thank you for your interest in this process. We look forward to a quality training and education program delivered to regulators and industry segments collaboratively and in the best interest of everyone involved.

Best Regards,

Jim Narva for NASFM