



May 15, 2026

California Building Standards Commission
Attention: 45-day Public Comments on CWUIC
2525 Natomas Park Drive, Suite 130
Sacramento, CA 95833

Re: 45-Day Express Terms for Proposed Building Standard of the Office of the State Fire Marshal
Regarding the 2025 California Wildland-Urban Interface Code.

To whom it may concern:

Sekisui House builds quality homes in California using the best materials. But we are concerned that Sub-Item 4-2 of the proposed language for CWUIC may cause confusion and prohibit products with proven performance.

The existing language that states, “paints, coatings, stains or other surface treatments are not an approved method of protection as required in this chapter” is unclear. What is a coating or surface treatment? Does this prohibition only apply to exterior products? If so, why is that not stated?

Sekisui House is in the various stages of constructing and permitting approximately 250 homes in California and does not want regulatory hangups because of ambiguous code language.

Thank you for your consideration.



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