ADDENDUM TO THE FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

Text of Regulations

The OSFM is changing in Section 938(a)(3) by adding after: State of California "<u>or federally approved</u>" fire sprinkler fitter apprenticeship program. The OSFM is making a non-substantive change to align with the adopted definition in Section 924(b).

Final Statement of Reasons

Comment: The summary of the comments stated, "What is the basis for our regulations for referencing Business and Professions Section 17200 and 17500.

RESPONSE:

Health and Safety Code 13110 gives the OSFM authority to propose, adopt, and administer the regulations that he or she deems necessary to ensure fire safety in buildings and structures within this state including regulations related to construction, modification, installation, testing, inspection, labeling, listing, certification, registration, licensing, reporting, operation, and maintenance. This section allows the Office of the State Fire Marshal not only to adopt, but to enforce laws and regulations as they pertain to licensing, certification, registration, of fire safety systems throughout California. The certification, registration, licensing portion of Section 13110 ties into the Business and Professions Code (B&P) through Division 7, General Business Provisions. Division 7 of B&P provides the standards of conduct for licensees. These regulations will allow the SFM to enforce the B&P standards for certification, registration and licensing.