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## **NOTICE TO INDUSTRY**

## SUBJECT: Metallic Gas Pipe – Time Extension for Enforcement of UPC Section 301

Clark County Department of Building and Fire Prevention (CCDBFP) previously informed industry that effective May 2, 2016, the enforcement of UPC Section 301 would occur. This code section requires all Pipe and Fittings in a gas piping system be listed by an approved listing agency to the appropriate Standard.

Since that letter, the Department has held several meetings with Industry as well as with several pipe and fittings suppliers, manufacturers and listing agencies. During the course of those meetings, it is our understanding that there are now four major suppliers/manufacturers for pipe (Kloeckner-Sha Thai; Mueller; Wheatland; Valencia) that have completed the listing process. We have been advised that these four firms represent a very large percentage of the supply of pipe for the Southern Nevada market. In addition, we understand that there are now multiple pipe fitting suppliers/manufacturers that are also either listed or have started the process of getting listed. However, there is still concern from industry that even though there has been significant and positive progress towards the listing of pipe and fittings, that there will not be a stable and sufficient supply of listed pipe and fittings by the enforcement date. Therefore, in an effort to accommodate this supply concern, CCDBFP will extend the enforcement date till July 5, 2016.

Sincerely,

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