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RESIDENTIAL SPRINKLER SUPPLEMENTAL
(NEW SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED TWO FAMILY ATTACHED AND FACTORY BUILT HOMES)

In 20011, House Bill 377 became law requiring "All newly constructed Single Family homes shall be equipped throughout with a code compliant fire sprinkler system, unless prior to entering into contract, the builder and home buyer agree as follows."

- The option install an automatic sprinkler system is provided.
- Information explaining the initial and ongoing cost of installing a residential fire sprinkler system is provided. (BELOW)
- Information, as made available buy the PA State Fire Commissioners Office, on the possible benefits of installing a sprinkler system is provided.

In addition to the above it also became mandatory that in the event it is decided not to install an Automatic Fire Sprinkler System, any ceiling / floor assembly, not fire rated, (unfinished ceilings in areas with living space above, NORMALLY the basement with exposed floor joist) shall be protected by sprinklers, covered, with a minimum 1/2-Inch gypsum wall board, covered with 5/8-inch wood structural panel (plywood) or covered with equivalent approved material.

- Exceptions:
 - The unprotected level is located over a crawlspace not intended for storage.
 - The space does not exceed 80 sq.ft. and is properly fire blocked
 - Joist is constructed of dimensional or composite lumber equal to or greater than 2-inch by 10-inch nominal dimension lumber.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ THE STATEMENTS CONTAINED ABOVE AND THE INFORMATION REGARDING RESIDENTIAL SPRINKLER SYSTEMS AS PROVIDED BY BUILDER, THE PA FIRE COMMISSIONERS OFFICE AND OR LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT. I UNDERSTAND THE RISKS AND REQUIREMENTS OF NOT HAVING A FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM INSTALLED IN MY HOME. I AM THEREFORE APPLYING FOR A BUILDING PERMIT TO PERFORM THE WORK ON THE PREMISES AS DESCRIBED, IN THE ATTACHED DOCUMENTATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Applicant: _____ Date: _____