**AMENDMENT PROPOSAL**

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**Proposal:**

Delete Denver amendment without replacement:

**SECTION P2716**

**FOOD-WASTE DISPOSER**

Section P2716.1 Food-waste disposer waste outlet is replaced in its entirety with the following:

P2716.1 Food-waste disposer waste outlet. Food-waste disposers with a waste outlet of 1 1/2 inches (38 mm) in diameter shall be connected to a drain of not less than 2 inches (51 mm) in diameter.

### Supporting Information:

**Reason:**

In residential codes, food waste disposer provisions first appeared in the CABO one and two-family dwelling code (the predecessor of the IRC) in 1986 as “grinders”. The requirement was a minimum 1 1/2” drain. That provisions remained unchanged for the remainder of the CABO codes and through all IRC editions up to 2015. In that edition, the name was changed from grinder to disposer. In the 2018 IRC the minimum size drain remains as 1 1/2” diameter. For 32 years the leading model one and two-family dwelling code has permitted a 1 1/2” drain and it has been unchanged. Clearly if there were widespread issues with this provision it would have been changed within 32 years. This draining is not unique to Denver. The current amendment is likely related to the IPC amendment for the same provision. In the current Denver IPC amendment the Colorado Plumbing Board is referenced as the source of the 2 inch drain amendment. In review of the edition of the Code of Colorado Regulations, 3 CCR 720-1 available from the Colorado.gov website, there is no state amendment to this section.

### Referenced Standards:

November 15, 2005
**Impact:**
The effect of the amendment is to return to the model code provisions that are less restrictive and will decrease cost of construction.

**Departmental Impact:**

*November 15, 2005*