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New PEX Requirements and Contractor Agreement Form

604.1.2 PEX

All installations of PEX material where it is the initial plumbing piping installed in new construction shall be flushed twice over a period of at least one week. The pipe system shall first be flushed for at least 10 minutes and then filled and allowed to stand for not less than 1 week, after which all the branches of the pipe system must be flushed long enough to fully empty the contained volume.

This provision shall not apply to the installation of PEX pipe where it replaces an existing pipe system of any material.

- (1) At the time of fill, each fixture shall have a removable tag applied stating:

"This new plumbing system was first filled and flushed on _____ (date) by _____ (name). The State of California requires that the system be flushed after standing at least one week after the fill date specified above. If this system is used earlier than one week after the fill date, the water must be allowed to run for at least two minutes prior to use for human consumption. This tag may not be removed prior to the completion of the required second flushing, except by the building owner or occupant."

- (2) Prior to issuing a building permit to install PEX pipe, the building official shall require as part of the permitting process that the contractor, or the appropriate plumbing subcontractors, provide written certification that he or she will comply with the flushing procedures set forth in the Code.
- (3) The building official shall not give final permit approval of any PEX plumbing installation unless he or she finds that the material has been installed in compliance with the requirements of the Code, including the requirements to flush and tag the systems.
- (4) Any contractor or subcontractor found to have failed to comply with the PEX flushing requirements shall be subject to the penalties in Health and Safety Code, Division 13, Part 1.5, Chapter 6 (Section 17995, et seq.).

I have read the above requirements and agree to follow them as specified.

Name _____

Company _____

CA Contractor License number _____

Property Address where
PEX is to be installed _____