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Request for Statewide Code Modification

Jurisdiction or Organization: City of Charleston – Charleston Fire Department

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Code: International Fire Code **Edition:** 2018 **Section:** 901.1

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901.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall specify where fire protection systems are required and shall apply to the design, installation, inspection, operation, testing and maintenance of all fire protection systems to include those systems that are installed to protect commercial cooking equipment utilized by mobile cooking vendors.

Reason: Unusually Restrictive Impractical Threat to Human Injury or Life Safety

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Mobile food vendor operations are on the rise throughout the nation, and South Carolina is no exception to the increasingly popular trend. The current International codes are ambiguous when dealing with mobile cooking operations and vendors utilize commercial grade cooking equipment to develop these operations. The codes to address these type of operations are evolving and are anticipated to be published in an upcoming edition of the National Fire Protection Association documents and may be referenced in a future edition of the International code. Until such time the International Code addresses this issue, and in an effort to ensure the safety of the citizens and visitors of South Carolina, we are proposing the above modifications of section IFC 901.1 to simply to clarify that when fire suppressions systems are utilized in a mobile food vendor setting they must be installed and maintained properly.