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PREFACE

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To the County of Los Angeles Amendments

Title 31 of the *Los Angeles County Code* is substantially the *California Green Building Standards Code (CGBSC)*, with certain local deviations and additions.

The *California Green Building Standards Code* is published and promulgated by the California Building Standards Commission. New, updated editions of this code are published every three years.

This 2014 edition of Title 31 adopts Chapters 2 through 8 of the 2013 edition of the *California Green Building Standards Code* (including certain appendices) with local County amendments. The complete *California Green Building Standards Code* is included in this book. Colored replacement pages containing local County amendments are supplied in a separate packet. The purpose is to allow the colored pages to remain as a unit or individually be substituted for the pages of the *California Green Building Standards Code*, where applicable.

The following margin symbols are used to differentiate between *California Green Building Standards Code* text and County of Los Angeles amendments:

$\frac{L}{A}$ This symbol indicates a revision to the *California Green Building Standards Code* by the County of Los Angeles.

→ This symbol indicates deletion of CGBSC language by the County of Los Angeles.

Margin symbols that were used in the printing of the *California Green Building Standard Code* still remain. Explanations of these symbols are located in the preface to that code.

The format of the *County of Los Angeles Green Building Standards Code* is similar to that of the *California Code of Regulations*, Title 24, Part 11, entitled “California Green Building Standards Code” and is arranged as follows:

Chapter 1. Administrative Provisions. This chapter contains provisions similar to those found in the *California Green Building Standards Code* plus others that are unique to the County. Section 101 designates Title 31 as the “Green Building Standards Code”.

Chapters 2–8. Appendix A4 and A5, Green Building Measures. The *California Green Building Standards Code* is used except where specifically amended. Amendments are printed on colored paper and are signaled in the margin as noted above.

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