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## MEMO

**TO: All Building Officials in Miami-Dade County**

**FROM: Herminio F. González, P.E., Secretary**  
**Miami-Dade Board of Rules and Appeals**

**DATE: May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2005**

**SUBJECT: Interpretation of FBC Section 106.3.3 and**  
**Section 8-5 of the Code of Miami-Dade County**

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At their meeting of May 19, 2005 the Board of Rules and Appeals rendered an interpretation regarding emergency action on the part of the Building Official regarding unsafe structures. The Board considered whether the subject code references provide the Building Official with clear guidance as to what constitutes an emergency, the extent of the emergency action that may be taken and how incurred costs may be assessed.

The Board concluded that the ability of the Building Official to exercise reasonable discretionary emergency action to provide for the safety of the community is sufficiently delineated in both the Florida Building Code and the Code of Miami-Dade County.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Mr. Michael Goolsby, Acting Deputy Director at (305) 375-2901 on this matter.