

(H) PROVIDE PLUMBING SERVICES.

(1) "PROVIDE PLUMBING SERVICES" MEANS TO INSTALL, MAINTAIN, EXTEND, ALTER, OR REMOVE PIPING, A PLUMBING FIXTURE, A PLUMBING APPLIANCE, A PLUMBING APPURTENANCE, OR OTHER PLUMBING APPARATUS:

(I) WITHIN OR ADJACENT TO A BUILDING, STRUCTURE, OR PROPERTY; AND

(II) IN CONNECTION WITH:

1. A PUBLIC OR PRIVATE DISPOSAL SYSTEM, SANITARY DRAINAGE FACILITY, OR STORM DRAINAGE FACILITY;
2. A VENTING SYSTEM; OR
3. A PUBLIC OR PRIVATE WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM.

(2) "PROVIDE PLUMBING SERVICES" INCLUDES INSTALLING, REPAIRING, SERVICING, AND REPLACING GAS PIPING, GAS UTILIZATION EQUIPMENT, AND ASSOCIATED ACCESSORIES.

(3) EXCEPT FOR THE FIRST CONNECTION TO A POTABLE WATER SUPPLY THAT IS DOWNSTREAM OF A BACKFLOW PREVENTER AND THE FINAL CONNECTION THAT DISCHARGES INDIRECTLY INTO A PUBLIC OR PRIVATE DISPOSAL SYSTEM, SANITARY DRAINAGE FACILITY, OR STORM DRAINAGE FACILITY, "PROVIDING PLUMBING SERVICES" DOES NOT INCLUDE USING PIPING, EQUIPMENT, OR MATERIAL ONLY FOR:

(I) ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL;

(II) THE INCORPORATION OF A LIQUID OR GAS INTO A PRODUCT OR INTO A PROCESS, INCLUDING PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT, IN THE MANUFACTURE OR STORAGE OF A PRODUCT;

(III) THE INSTALLATION, ALTERATION, REPAIR, OR REMOVAL OF AN AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEM, RELATED APPARATUS, OR STANDPIPE THAT IS USED ONLY FOR FIRE PROTECTION; OR

(IV) AN OVERHEAD OR UNDERGROUND FIRE LINE BEGINNING FROM WHERE WATER IS USED ONLY FOR FIRE PROTECTION.

COMMITTEE COMMENT: This subsection is new language added to state expressly the activity that is regulated under this title. Former Art. 56, §§ 444 through 462C did not expressly define the activity regulated under those former sections. This situation was very unusual when compared to other licensing laws. The Committee considered it essential that the activity be