

Dear State Code Coordinator,

One of the goals of the NCTA Holiday Safety Committee in 2006 is to collect and monitor information about the fire codes in all states. This information will allow NCTA to take prompt appropriate action if egregious regulations are proposed.

It is not possible for the staff or the committee members to be up to date on the happenings in all states. With the two model codes, NFPA and IFC, and differing regulations among states, we need someone in each state who will become acquainted with the regulations and procedures of that state. We need to know such things as what model code is the basis for the state code, what are the adoption and modification procedures, and which local municipalities are allowed to preempt the state code.

This "someone" will be a volunteer State Code Coordinator charged with keeping an eye on proposed code modifications so NCTA could possibly offer comment before adoption of changes governing the use of Real Christmas Trees.

We currently have your name on a list of people who may be interested in filling this important position. We are checking to see if you are still willing to work on this. Additional volunteers will be solicited in states where we have no current coordinator.

Information will be sent to each person outlining what is required and with suggestions of contacts to start gathering the information. We will also provide a manual, most likely a 3-ring binder, with tabs for each State Code Coordinator to use to keep track of their state's codes and changes. We have every intention of training and supporting volunteers as much as possible.

If you are interested in being a State Code Coordinator for your state, please contact Rick Dungey at the NCTA office, 636/449-5070 or by e-mail dungey@drakeco.com.

You may begin by completing the enclosed questionnaire.

Thanks for your consideration.

Rick Dungey