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Lon Larson
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Dear Mr. Larson:

Thank you for your recent inquiry as to the approval of ABS pads as a component of mobile home foundation systems in Maine. I have enclosed a copy of the Manufactured Home Installation Standard that has been adopted by the Maine Manufactured Housing Board. Section 2-1 .3 of the Standard specifies the acceptable methods for the construction of a manufactured home foundation system - subsection (c) would be pertinent to your inquiry.

It is the Board's position that a professionally designed system that is expected to perform as well as or better than foundation systems detailed in the Installation Standard would be acceptable alternatives and meet the requirements of the Standard. Certainly the size of the pads required and the soil type would be important elements of the foundation design. I expect that a system could be designed for a general soil condition rather than engineering being required for a specific site.

I trust that this information will address your questions. However, feel free to call upon me for further assistance. I can be reached at (207) 230-0940.

Sincerely,

Patrick S. Ouillette/ceh

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Enclosure

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