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Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD PLUMBING EXAMINERS

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I think the staff report is right on track. Most importantly, the direct supervising of the field employee's. It should be up to the plumbing company's owner to decide who does what work on site. I do not feel that it is necessary to have to have licensed plumbers to directly supervise apprentices. Being the owner and Master Plumber I will check and back all work completed under my company. Their is simply too much work and not enough licensed plumbers to complete the work under the current license structure.

The owners bare all the liability so it should be their decision as to who can execute the work expected as long as the owner is licensed and insured.

Also, regulations need to be "across the board," meaning that it does not matter if the work is inside or outside the city limits. This hurts the legitimate companies trying to follow the proper guidelines for licensing and codes, which is for the health and safety of the entire state. The people outside the city limits deserve the same level of professional installation following the proper codes as do the people in the city.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I highly recommend going to 1 code state wide and that is the International code as its more in line with the modern plumbing materials, fixtures, and practices. The UPC is a dated code and doesn't always work in a real world situation. Leaving uneducated inspectors at a loss and resulting in red tags for no reason when the work conforms to the IPC. Also it should be mandatory that all cities adopt and enforce the entire code, not pick and choose what they think is necessary. After all that is why we use a code book and cities should not be able to amend it to suit their political needs.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree