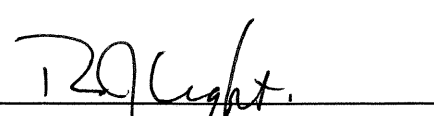


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Subject:	Vent Stack Sizing	
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Question:		
1. When determining the size of a vent stack at its base, are additional vent loads connected from sources other than the stack served considered when sizing the entire vent stack?		
2. Should the vent stack increase in size only at the point where the additional load occurs?		
Interpretation:		
1. Yes		
In accordance with Clause 7.5.8.4. (1) (b) all vent loads connected to the vent stack must be considered when sizing the vent stack at its base and throughout its entire length. These include any additional vent loads from sources other than the soil-or-waste stack served by the vent stack.		
2. No		
Clauses 7.5.8.4. (1) (a) and (b) indicate the sizing criteria for the entire vent stack which includes developed length and all vent loads which affect its entire length.		
 R. J. Light, Committee Chair		
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