


BC BUILDING CODE INTERPRETATION COMMITTEE

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INTERPRETATION

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Building Code Edition:	BC Building Code 2018, Book II: Plumbing Systems (BCPC)
Subject:	Vents for Oil Interceptors Connected to a Storm Drainage System
Keywords:	Oil Interceptor, Required Venting
Building Code Reference(s):	2.5.5.2.(1), 2.5.1.1.(4)(a)(ii)
Question:	
	If an oil interceptor is permitted to be connected to a storm drainage system;
	1. Do the requirements in regard to venting of the oil interceptor contained in Sentence 2.5.5.2.(1) apply, or;
	2. Can the exemption provided for in Subclause 2.5.1.1.(4)(a)(ii) be applied?
Interpretation:	
	1. Yes The requirements for venting of an oil interceptor contained in Sentence 2.5.5.2.(1) do apply.
	2. No There is no reference to Subclause 2.5.1.1.(4)(a)(ii) which would waive the venting requirements regarding traps serving storm drainage systems.
	
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