



Draft Agenda

318-0L – International Liaison

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Monday, March 22, 2010 – Suite 836
New Orleans Marriott
New Orleans, LA

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1. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA, MINUTES, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MEMBERSHIP**
 - 1.1 **Approval of Agenda**

Additional agenda items, if any, will be announced and the committee will be asked to approve the agenda.
 - 1.2 **Approval of Minutes**

The committee is asked to approve the minutes from Fall 2009. The approved minutes will be posted in the document library of the 318-0L web page at: <http://www.concrete.org>
 - 1.3 **Announcements**

None.
 - 1.4 **Membership**

Chair Poston has been asked to review the membership for possible changes based on lack of participation in the subcommittee activities.
2. **CURRENT ACTIVITIES IN 318**

Background:
Extensive changes in the ACI 318 document structure have been undertaken during the current code cycle. Some of the chapters have been balloted by the different technical subcommittees. The goal is to have an interim publication for 2011 and a full 318 publication for 2013.

Activities:
In Spring 2009, Chair Santana updated the committee on the current activities of 318.

ACTION: Chair Santana to update the committee on the status of the ACI 318-11 publication and the ACI 318 reorganization for 2013.

3. STATUS OF WORK ITEMS

3.1 Exceptions to 318 in the Latin American Codes

Background:

The committee agreed to produce a single document in English language that summarizes country by country the exceptions to provisions of 318-08. The following countries have been identified:

1. Chile
2. Costa Rica
3. Mexico
4. Colombia
5. Peru
6. Argentina
7. Venezuela
8. Guatemala

Activities:

In Fall 2009, Chair Santana noted the lack of progress on the work on the English language document “Exceptions to 318 in the Latin American Codes” that will summarize country by country the exceptions to provisions of 318-08. It was agreed that the Activity-Target dates be revised.

The Activity-Target dates are to be revised at the Spring 2010 meeting.

No.	Activity	Responsibility	Target date
1	Completed documents, Chile, Costa Rica	Yáñez, Santana	November 09, 2009
2	Draft “Country Specific” document for all 6 countries	Guatemala (Monzón) México (Rodríguez) Colombia (Farbiarz) Perú (Pasquel) Argentina (Bertero) Venezuela (Fargier)	April 24, 2010
3	Compile the “country specific” documents into a single draft	Santana	May 8, 2010
4	Circulate the compiled draft document for Ballot	Santana	May 15, 2010
5	Ballot due	All	June 5, 2010

- ACTION:**
- (a) Chair Santana to update the meeting on the status of the work on the English language document “Exceptions to 318 in the Latin American Codes.”
 - (b) Chair Santana to lead a discussion regarding the commonly practiced use of walls in Latin America and if it should be addressed more in ACI 318.
 - (c) Committee to update the Activity-Target dates.

4. WORK ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR 318

4.1 Work items for 318-13

Background:

The 318-0L committee is to identify the technical work items for consideration by 318. These work items are to minimize and ultimately remove the exceptions to 318 in the Latin American Codes.

Activities:

In Spring 2009, the committee agreed to start work on preparing a list of items for consideration by ACI 318. This effort will be initiated after the completion of the English language document “Exceptions to 318S-08 in the Latin American Codes” that will summarize country by country the exceptions to provisions of 318-08.

ACTION: Chair Santana to update the committee on the status of the work on identification of sound practices in Latin America that may be considered by ACI 318 as change proposals to be presented to the corresponding technical subcommittees.

5.**OTHER BUSINESS:****5.1****Recent destructive earthquakes in Latin America**

Recent destructive earthquakes in Haiti and Chile have caused concerned in the Structural Engineering community in the Americas. Reconnaissance missions have been sent by various organizations both from the US and from countries in the Americas. Distressing outcomes from both events are many but perhaps the two most important are the huge number of victims in Haiti after a relatively moderate event and the size of the Chilean earthquake. In the first case the lack of good construction standards is noticeable and in the second case, the estimation of seismic demand in regions subjected to subduction events may need to be revised as a result of the event.

Activities:

It is proposed that 318L puts a request to hold a session during the next convention on the subject of the recent earthquakes in Latin America.

ACTION: Chair Santana requests speakers for the Session on Recent Earthquakes in Latin America to be held during the Fall Convention 2010 in Pittsburg, PA.

6.**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for October 2010, Pittsburg, PA, USA.

7.**ADJOURNMENT**

Enclosures:

Exhibit 1.4a Roster of 318-0L

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