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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Technical standards for the calculation and construction of buildings which must be resistant to earthquakes.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The interministerial Order:

 makes compulsory the application of the rules for earthquake-resistant construction defined by standards NF P 06-013 (PS rules applying to buildings) and NF P 06-014 (earthquake-resistant construction of individual houses and



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similar buildings),

- delimits their sphere of application,
- classifies buildings in terms of human occupation and their importance for the survival of the city,
- defines certain numerical values which must be introduced into the calculations, module values in terms of both seismic zoning and class of building, with the aim of assuring buildings a level of security - from the point of view of seismic aggression - which increases with the importance of the building.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Earthquake-resistant rules currently in force are outdated due to advances in knowledge and technology. The new standards reflect the best technology currently known and offer increased security to safeguard lives. Furthermore, they correspond to future trends towards European standardization. Their adoption thus prepares and facilitates, in particular, the introduction and later application of the Eurostandard when this has been drawn up.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

The base texts are as follows:

- laws:
- construction and housing code, articles R. 122-2, R. 123-2 and R. 123-19;
- public health code, article L. 711-2;
- Act No. 87-565 of 22 July 1987, article 41;
- Act No. 95-101 of 2 February 1995, article 16-II (amending article 41 previously cited);
- Decree No. 91-461 of 14 May 1991;
- Order of 16 July 1992 (which the proposed Order is intended to replace).

The technical documents whose application is to be made compulsory by the proposed Order are as follows:

- standard NF P 06-013
- standard NF P 06-014.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

13. Confidentiality

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14. Fiscal measures

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