



October 14, 2024

Ms. Stephanie Snider  
Specialist II – Format & Planning  
2110 Executive Drive  
Salisbury, NC 28147

Reference: Food Lion Store #2654  
610 East King Street  
Kings Mountain, NC 28086  
Architect's Comm. No. 22423.00

Subject: Special Inspections and Seismic Design Category

Dear Ms. Snider,

The review for the determination of the requirement for Special Inspections is based on the Scope of Work provided by Food Lion to us and our associated Consulting Engineers. Signed and sealed Construction Documents, dated 09-20-2024, for this project were sent to permitting in September 2024.

Based on the Scope of Work of the project, it is our professional opinion and that of our Engineers of Record, that the Project does not require special inspections (at the writing of this letter) based upon Exception 1 in Section 1704.02 of the 2018 NC Existing Building Code. The exception states, "Special Inspections and tests are not required for construction of a minor nature or as warranted by conditions in the jurisdiction as approved by the building official."

Furthermore, this project has been sent to the City of Kings Mountain NC for plan review. It is not anticipated that the plan review when completed by the county will require any Special Inspections.

However, as has been previously experienced in numerous cases, the individual who reviews and approves the plans for permit is not always the same individual that is assigned to perform the inspections as the project proceeds during construction. Therefore, the official in the field reviewing the construction can still demand that Special Inspections be required if the plan reviewer did not; unlikely, but possible.

The seismic design category for this project is understood to be a "B" and therefore does not require any seismic anchoring of equipment.

Sincerely,  
**YATES-CHREITZBERG-HUGHES ARCHITECTS**

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Eric Bollenbecker".

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