Truss type, pre-engineered wood or timber construction in Residential Structures Effective January 1, 2015

"Executive Law § 382-b, as added by Chapter 353 of the Laws of 2014, provides that any person utilizing truss type, pre-engineered wood or timber construction for the erection of any new residential structure, for any addition to an existing residential structure, or for any rehabilitation of an existing residential structure must (1) notify the local government that will issue the building permit that truss type, pre-engineered wood or timber construction is being utilized and (2) affix a sign or symbol to the electric box, if any, on the exterior of the structure indicating that truss type, pre-engineered wood or timber construction has been used.

A new Part 1265 to Title 19 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations (NYCRR) has been adopted. The new Part 1265 prescribes (1) the form to be used to notify code enforcement officials that truss type, pre-engineered wood or timber construction is to be used in a residential structure; (2) the sign or symbol to be affixed to the exterior of a residential structure that has been constructed, added to or rehabilitated using truss type, pre-engineered wood or timber construction.

Code Enforcement Officials should not issue a Certificate of Occupancy for a residential building that contains truss-type construction, pre-engineered wood construction or timber construction unless:

1. the owner has notified the AHJ, on the form prescribed in the rule, that contains truss-type construction, pre-engineered wood construction or timber construction has been used and; 2. the structure has the sign prescribed in the rule attached in the place prescribed in the rule."

A local company in Rochester called Safe-T-Solutions sells the required stickers/placards and can be reached at 585-802-3075, or go to their website, safe-t-solutions.com