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## **CODE INTERPRETATION**

### **QUESTION**

What must I do to convert a deck, porch or patio into a sun room or living area utilizing the existing structure?

### **CODE REFERENCE:**

Clover Policy

### **ANSWER**

If you are converting a deck, porch (covered or uncovered) or patio that is currently elevated on piers or exists on a slab into a sun room or living area, the submitted plans must be designed by a SC licensed design professional (engineer or architect, for example). The design professional will need to submit a letter documenting that the existing structure is adequate and sufficient to support the new structure as is, or else itemize the changes required to strengthen the structure to support the loads.

The design should address the adequacy of the existing foundation or else prescribe the addition of new footings and/or piers. The design must address wall bracing for sheer strength, and protection from uplift (both the roof –if currently present, and the floor structure’s connection to the foundation).

The room will need to be underpinned, ventilated and insulated according to the Code.

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Building Official / Town of Clover

Date: February 2, 2011