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Re; Elks Project, Portland, ME

Steve,

I'm writing to you in response to the gas piping installation we recently completed, connecting appliances in the kitchen area of the Elks lodge.

My company's use of the pipe thread tape "Blue Monster" was brought into question by an employee of Comfort USA also known as Air Temp. Their employee erroneously claimed that this product wasn't to code and therefore prohibited for gas piping. This unknowledgeable person then passed along wrong information to the General Contractor (Hardy Pond Construction) and Staff at the Elks Lodge.

It must be known to all involved that the following is actual fact;

- The "Blue Monster" thread tape is listed and rated for many assembly's namely for natural and propane gas piping. This is a product widely sold and accepted when used as specified.
- I've personally spoken to Maine State Fuel board code officer Peter Holmes and to Unitil's manager Rick Smith regarding this very product. Both parties are in approval of its use in the applicable gas piping.

I was onsite and would have gladly educated Comfort USA's employees on the product I use if they had simply asked.

Being licensed in this industry for over 20 plus years and owning and operating a business for the past 13. I've certainly seen methods and products change. I personally feel the best current gas piping practice, is utilizing both the Gasoila pipe dope along with the Blue Monster thread tape. This is the method I use and it meets local and state codes.

I cannot express to you at how improperly I feel this was handled by Comfort USA and their employees. It brings into question their own competence and knowledge while making blasphemous remarks about a product they obviously are unfamiliar with!

Sincerely,

Peter Serafin, Owner

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