

**SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS**

POLICY ON ISSUANCE OF COMMISSIONING REPORTS

The South Carolina Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors considered the issuance of commissioning reports and specifically, whether such reports are considered the practice of engineering. The Board determined that the preparation of commissioning reports is considered the practice of engineering in South Carolina and adopted the following guidance at their meeting on May 26, 2009:

1. Commissioning work must be done under the responsible charge of a professional engineer.
2. Corrective action undertaken as a result of the validation process may require the responsible charge of a professional engineer if design changes or re-commissioning is required.
3. Activities, including, but not limited to, design validation that certifies that the installation conforms to the initial engineering design; the start-up and turnover of facilities, systems, and equipment to the owner in a manner that ensures a safe and functional environment that meets established design requirements (commissioning); and corrective actions taken during validation that require design changes and/or re-commissioning that require the education, training or experience of an engineer to successfully perform must all be done under the responsible charge of a South Carolina professional engineer and as applicable, by a South Carolina licensed engineering company.