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State of South Carolina

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Dear Mr. Unger:

You have requested an opinion as to whether the Colleton County building inspector has jurisdiction to require county building permits within those incorporated municipalities in the county which do not have their own building permit ordinances. It is the opinion of this office that the county building inspector has no jurisdiction within any incorporated municipality in the county.

[Section 6-9-50 of the South Carolina Code](#), 1976, grants to counties the authority to promulgate building codes and regulations only for the unincorporated area of the county. Therefore, the county building inspector would have no authority within any incorporated municipalities, regardless of whether or not those municipalities has building permit ordinances.

Sincerely yours,

David C. Eckstrom  
Staff Attorney

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