APPENDIX 2

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Damage State Descriptions for Seismic Fragility Curves

Descriptions for Slight, Moderate, Extensive, and Complete structural damage states for the 16 basic model building types are provided below. For estimating casualties, the descriptions of Complete damage include the fraction of the total floor area of each model building type that is likely to collapse. Collapse fractions are based on judgment and limited earthquake data considering the material and construction of different model building types.

It is noted that in some cases the structural damage is not directly observable because the structural elements are inaccessible or not visible due to architectural finishes or fireproofing. Hence, these structural damage states are described, when necessary, with reference to certain effects on nonstructural elements that may be indicative of the structural damage state of concern. Small cracks are assumed, throughout this section, to be visible cracks with a maximum width of less than 1/8”. Cracks wider than 1/8” are referred to as “large” cracks.

Wood, Light Frame (W1):

**Slight Structural Damage:** Small plaster or gypsum-board cracks at corners of door and window openings and wall-ceiling intersections; small cracks in masonry chimneys and masonry veneer.

**Moderate Structural Damage:** Large plaster or gypsum-board cracks at corners of door and window openings; small diagonal cracks across shear wall panels exhibited by small cracks in stucco and gypsum wall panels; large cracks in brick chimneys; toppling of tall masonry chimneys.

**Extensive Structural Damage:** Large diagonal cracks across shear wall panels or large cracks at plywood joints; permanent lateral movement of floors and roof; toppling of most brick chimneys; cracks in foundations; splitting of wood sill plates and/or slippage of structure over foundations; partial collapse of “room-over-garage” or other “soft-story” configurations; small foundations cracks.

**Complete Structural Damage:** Structure may have large permanent lateral displacement, may collapse, or be in imminent danger of collapse due to cripple wall failure or the failure of the lateral load resisting system; some structures may slip and fall off the foundations; large foundation cracks. Approximately 3% of the total area of W1 buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.
**Wood, Commercial and Industrial (W2):**

**Slight Structural Damage:** Small cracks at corners of door and window openings and wall-ceiling intersections; small cracks on stucco and plaster walls. Some slippage may be observed at bolted connections.

**Moderate Structural Damage:** Larger cracks at corners of door and window openings; small diagonal cracks across shear wall panels exhibited by cracks in stucco and gypsum wall panels; minor slack (less than 1/8" extension) in diagonal rod bracing requiring re-tightening; minor lateral set at store fronts and other large openings; small cracks or wood splitting may be observed at bolted connections.

**Extensive Structural Damage:** Large diagonal cracks across shear wall panels; large slack in diagonal rod braces and/or broken braces; permanent lateral movement of floors and roof; cracks in foundations; splitting of wood sill plates and/or slippage of structure over foundations; partial collapse of “soft-story” configurations; bolt slippage and wood splitting at bolted connections.

**Complete Structural Damage:** Structure may have large permanent lateral displacement, may collapse or be in imminent danger of collapse due to failed shear walls, broken brace rods or failed framing connections; it may fall its foundations; large cracks in the foundations. Approximately 3% of the total area of W2 buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.

**Steel Moment Frame (S1):**

**Slight Structural Damage:** Minor deformations in connections or hairline cracks in few welds.

**Moderate Structural Damage:** Some steel members have yielded exhibiting observable permanent rotations at connections; few welded connections may exhibit major cracks through welds or few bolted connections may exhibit broken bolts or enlarged bolt holes.

**Extensive Structural Damage:** Most steel members have exceeded their yield capacity, resulting in significant permanent lateral deformation of the structure. Some of the structural members or connections may have exceeded their ultimate capacity exhibited by major permanent member rotations at connections, buckled flanges and failed connections. Partial collapse of portions of structure is possible due to failed critical elements and/or connections.

**Complete Structural Damage:** Significant portion of the structural elements have exceeded their ultimate capacities or some critical structural elements or connections have failed resulting in dangerous permanent lateral displacement, partial collapse or collapse of the building. Approximately 8% (low-rise), 5% (mid-rise) or 3% (high-rise) of the total area of S1 buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.
**Steel Braced Frame (S2):**

**Slight Structural Damage:** Few steel braces have yielded which may be indicated by minor stretching and/or buckling of slender brace members; minor cracks in welded connections; minor deformations in bolted brace connections.

**Moderate Structural Damage:** Some steel braces have yielded exhibiting observable stretching and/or buckling of braces; few braces, other members or connections have indications of reaching their ultimate capacity exhibited by buckled braces, cracked welds, or failed bolted connections.

**Extensive Structural Damage:** Most steel brace and other members have exceeded their yield capacity, resulting in significant permanent lateral deformation of the structure. Some structural members or connections have exceeded their ultimate capacity exhibited by buckled or broken braces, flange buckling, broken welds, or failed bolted connections. Anchor bolts at columns may be stretched. Partial collapse of portions of structure is possible due to failure of critical elements or connections.

**Complete Structural Damage:** Most the structural elements have reached their ultimate capacities or some critical members or connections have failed resulting in dangerous permanent lateral deflection, partial collapse or collapse of the building. Approximately 8%(low-rise), 5%(mid-rise) or 3%(high-rise) of the total area of S2 buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.

**Steel Light Frame (S3):**

These structures are mostly single story structures combining rod-braced frames in one direction and moment frames in the other. Due to repetitive nature of the structural systems, the type of damage to structural members is expected to be rather uniform throughout the structure.

**Slight Structural Damage:** Few steel rod braces have yielded which may be indicated by minor sagging of rod braces. Minor cracking at welded connections or minor deformations at bolted connections of moment frames may be observed.

**Moderate Structural Damage:** Most steel braces have yielded exhibiting observable significantly sagging rod braces; few brace connections may be broken. Some weld cracking may be observed in the moment frame connections.

**Extensive Structural Damage:** Significant permanent lateral deformation of the structure due to broken brace rods, stretched anchor bolts and permanent deformations at moment frame members. Some screw or welded attachments of roof and wall siding to steel framing may be broken. Some purlin and girt connections may be broken.
**Complete Structural Damage:** Structure is collapsed or in imminent danger of collapse due to broken rod bracing, failed anchor bolts or failed structural members or connections. Approximately 3% of the total area of S3 buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.

**Steel Frame with Cast-In-Place Concrete Shear Walls (S4):**

This is a “composite” structural system where primary lateral-force-resisting system is the concrete shear walls. Hence, slight, Moderate and Extensive damage states are likely to be determined by the shear walls while the collapse damage state would be determined by the failure of the structural frame.

**Slight Structural Damage:** Diagonal hairline cracks on most concrete shear wall surfaces; minor concrete spalling at few locations.

**Moderate Structural Damage:** Most shear wall surfaces exhibit diagonal cracks; some of the shear walls have exceeded their yield capacities exhibited by larger diagonal cracks and concrete spalling at wall ends.

**Extensive Structural Damage:** Most concrete shear walls have exceeded their yield capacities; few walls have reached or exceeded their ultimate capacity exhibited by large through-the-wall diagonal cracks, extensive spalling around the cracks and visibly buckled wall reinforcement. Partial collapse may occur due to failed connections of steel framing to concrete walls. Some damage may be observed in steel frame connections.

**Complete Structural Damage:** Structure may be in danger of collapse or collapse due to total failure of shear walls and loss of stability of the steel frames. Approximately 8%(low-rise), 5%(mid-rise) or 3%(high-rise) of the total area of S4 buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.

**Steel Frame with Unreinforced Masonry Infill Walls (S5):**

This is a “composite” structural system where the initial lateral resistance is provided by the infill walls. Upon cracking of the infills, further lateral resistance is provided by the steel frames “braced” by the infill walls acting as diagonal compression struts. Collapse of the structure results when the infill walls disintegrate (due to compression failure of the masonry “struts”) and the steel frame loses its stability.

**Slight Structural Damage:** Diagonal (sometimes horizontal) hairline cracks on most infill walls; cracks at frame-infill interfaces.
**Moderate Structural Damage:** Most infill wall surfaces exhibit larger diagonal or horizontal cracks; some walls exhibit crushing of brick around beam-column connections.

**Extensive Structural Damage:** Most infill walls exhibit large cracks; some bricks may be dislodged and fall; some infill walls may bulge out-of-plane; few walls may fall off partially or fully; some steel frame connections may have failed. Structure may exhibit permanent lateral deformation or partial collapse due to failure of some critical members.

**Complete Structural Damage:** Structure is collapsed or in danger of imminent collapse due to total failure of many infill walls and loss of stability of the steel frames. Approximately 8%(low-rise), 5%(mid-rise) or 3%(high-rise) of the total area of S5 buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.

**Reinforced Concrete Moment Resisting Frames (C1):**

**Slight Structural Damage:** Flexural or shear type hairline cracks in some beams and columns near joints or within joints.

**Moderate Structural Damage:** Most beams and columns exhibit hairline cracks. In ductile frames some of the frame elements have reached yield capacity indicated by larger flexural cracks and some concrete spalling. Nonductile frames may exhibit larger shear cracks and spalling.

**Extensive Structural Damage:** Some of the frame elements have reached their ultimate capacity indicated in ductile frames by large flexural cracks, spalled concrete and buckled main reinforcement; nonductile frame elements may have suffered shear failures or bond failures at reinforcement splices, or broken ties or buckled main reinforcement in columns which may result in partial collapse.

**Complete Structural Damage:** Structure is collapsed or in imminent danger of collapse due to brittle failure of nonductile frame elements or loss of frame stability. Approximately 13%(low-rise), 10%(mid-rise) or 5%(high-rise) of the total area of C1 buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.

**Concrete Shear Walls (C2):**

**Slight Structural Damage:** Diagonal hairline cracks on most concrete shear wall surfaces; minor concrete spalling at few locations.

**Moderate Structural Damage:** Most shear wall surfaces exhibit diagonal cracks; some shear walls have exceeded yield capacity indicated by larger diagonal cracks and concrete spalling at wall ends.
**Extensive Structural Damage:** Most concrete shear walls have exceeded their yield capacities; some walls have exceeded their ultimate capacities indicated by large, through-the-wall diagonal cracks, extensive spalling around the cracks and visibly buckled wall reinforcement or rotation of narrow walls with inadequate foundations. Partial collapse may occur due to failure of nonductile columns not designed to resist lateral loads.

**Complete Structural Damage:** Structure has collapsed or is in imminent danger of collapse due to failure of most of the shear walls and failure of some critical beams or columns. Approximately 13%(low-rise), 10%(mid-rise) or 5%(high-rise) of the total area of C2 buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.

**Concrete Frame Buildings with Unreinforced Masonry Infill Walls (C3):**

This is a “composite” structural system where the initial lateral resistance is provided by the infill walls. Upon cracking of the infills, further lateral resistance is provided by the concrete frame “braced” by the infill acting as diagonal compression struts. Collapse of the structure results when the infill walls disintegrate (due to compression failure of the masonry “struts”) and the frame loses stability, or when the concrete columns suffer shear failures due to reduced effective height and the high shear forces imposed on them by the masonry compression struts.

**Slight Structural Damage:** Diagonal (sometimes horizontal) hairline cracks on most infill walls; cracks at frame-infill interfaces.

**Moderate Structural Damage:** Most infill wall surfaces exhibit larger diagonal or horizontal cracks; some walls exhibit crushing of brick around beam-column connections. Diagonal shear cracks may be observed in concrete beams or columns.

**Extensive Structural Damage:** Most infill walls exhibit large cracks; some bricks may dislodge and fall; some infill walls may bulge out-of-plane; few walls may fall partially or fully; few concrete columns or beams may fail in shear resulting in partial collapse. Structure may exhibit permanent lateral deformation.

**Complete Structural Damage:** Structure has collapsed or is in imminent danger of collapse due to a combination of total failure of the infill walls and nonductile failure of the concrete beams and columns. Approximately 15%(low-rise), 13%(mid-rise) or 5%(high-rise) of the total area of C3 buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.
Precast Concrete Tilt-Up Walls (PC1):

Slight Structural Damage: Diagonal hairline cracks on concrete shear wall surfaces; larger cracks around door and window openings in walls with large proportion of openings; minor concrete spalling at few locations; minor separation of walls from the floor and roof diaphragms; hairline cracks around metal connectors between wall panels and at connections of beams to walls.

Moderate Structural Damage: Most wall surfaces exhibit diagonal cracks; larger cracks in walls with door or window openings; few shear walls have exceeded their yield capacities indicated by larger diagonal cracks and concrete spalling. Cracks may appear at top of walls near panel intersections indicating “chord” yielding. Some walls may have visibly pulled away from the roof. Some welded panel connections may have been broken, indicated by spalled concrete around connections. Some spalling may be observed at the connections of beams to walls.

Extensive Structural Damage: In buildings with relatively large area of wall openings most concrete shear walls have exceeded their yield capacities and some have exceeded their ultimate capacities indicated by large, through-the-wall diagonal cracks, extensive spalling around the cracks and visibly buckled wall reinforcement. The plywood diaphragms may exhibit cracking and separation along plywood joints. Partial collapse of the roof may result from the failure of the wall-to-diaphragm anchorages sometimes with falling of wall panels.

Complete Structural Damage: Structure is collapsed or is in imminent danger of collapse due to failure of the wall-to-roof anchorages, splitting of ledgers, or failure of plywood-to-ledger nailing; failure of beams connections at walls; failure of roof or floor diaphragms; or, failure of the wall panels. Approximately 15% of the total area of PC1 buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.

Precast Concrete Frames with Concrete Shear Walls (PC2):

Slight Structural Damage: Diagonal hairline cracks on most shear wall surfaces; minor concrete spalling at few connections of precast members.

Moderate Structural Damage: Most shear wall surfaces exhibit diagonal cracks; some shear walls have exceeded their yield capacities indicated by larger cracks and concrete spalling at wall ends; observable distress or movement at connections of precast frame connections, some failures at metal inserts and welded connections.

Extensive Structural Damage: Most concrete shear walls have exceeded their yield capacities; some walls may have reached their ultimate capacities indicated by large, through-the-wall diagonal cracks, extensive spalling around the cracks and visibly buckled wall reinforcement. Some critical precast frame connections may have failed resulting partial collapse.
Complete Structural Damage: Structure has collapsed or is in imminent danger of collapse due to failure of the shear walls and/or failures at precast frame connections. Approximately 15%(low-rise), 13%(mid-rise) or 10%(high-rise) of the total area of PC2 buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.

Reinforced Masonry Bearing Walls with Wood or Metal Deck Diaphragms (RM1):

Slight Structural Damage: Diagonal hairline cracks on masonry wall surfaces; larger cracks around door and window openings in walls with large proportion of openings; minor separation of walls from the floor and roof diaphragms.

Moderate Structural Damage: Most wall surfaces exhibit diagonal cracks; some of the shear walls have exceeded their yield capacities indicated by larger diagonal cracks. Some walls may have visibly pulled away from the roof.

Extensive Structural Damage: In buildings with relatively large area of wall openings most shear walls have exceeded their yield capacities and some of the walls have exceeded their ultimate capacities indicated by large, through-the-wall diagonal cracks and visibly buckled wall reinforcement. The plywood diaphragms may exhibit cracking and separation along plywood joints. Partial collapse of the roof may result from failure of the wall-to-diaphragm anchorages or the connections of beams to walls.

Complete Structural Damage: Structure has collapsed or is in imminent danger of collapse due to failure of the wall anchorages or due to failure of the wall panels. Approximately 13%(low-rise) or 10%(mid-rise) of the total area of RM1 buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.

Reinforced Masonry Bearing Walls with Precast Concrete Diaphragms (RM2):

Slight Structural Damage: Diagonal hairline cracks on masonry wall surfaces; larger cracks around door and window openings in walls with large proportion of openings.

Moderate Structural Damage: Most wall surfaces exhibit diagonal cracks; some of the shear walls have exceeded their yield capacities indicated by larger cracks.

Extensive Structural Damage: In buildings with relatively large area of wall openings most shear walls have exceeded their yield capacities and some of the walls have exceeded their ultimate capacities exhibited by large, through-the-wall diagonal cracks and visibly buckled wall reinforcement. The diaphragms may also exhibit cracking.
**Complete Structural Damage:** Structure is collapsed or is in imminent danger of collapse due to failure of the walls. Approximately 13% (low-rise), 10% (mid-rise) or 5% (high-rise) of the total area of RM2 buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.

**Unreinforced Masonry Bearing Walls (URM):**

**Slight Structural Damage:** Diagonal, stair-step hairline cracks on masonry wall surfaces; larger cracks around door and window openings in walls with large proportion of openings; movements of lintels; cracks at the base of parapets.

**Moderate Structural Damage:** Most wall surfaces exhibit diagonal cracks; some of the walls exhibit larger diagonal cracks; masonry walls may have visible separation from diaphragms; significant cracking of parapets; some masonry may fall from walls or parapets.

**Extensive Structural Damage:** In buildings with relatively large area of wall openings most walls have suffered extensive cracking. Some parapets and gable end walls have fallen. Beams or trusses may have moved relative to their supports.

**Complete Structural Damage:** Structure has collapsed or is in imminent danger of collapse due to in-plane or out-of-plane failure of the walls. Approximately 15% of the total area of URM buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.

**Mobile Homes (MH):**

**Slight Structural Damage:** Damage to some porches, stairs or other attached components.

**Moderate Structural Damage:** Major movement of the mobile home over its supports resulting in some damage to metal siding and stairs and requiring resetting of the mobile home on its supports.

**Extensive Structural Damage:** Mobile home has fallen partially off its supports, often severing utility lines.

**Complete Structural Damage:** Mobile home has totally fallen off its supports; usually severing utility lines, with steep jack stands penetrating through the floor. Approximately 3% of the total area of MH buildings with Complete damage is expected to be collapsed.