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Revise as follows:

408.2.1 Site hardscape materials. Hardscape materials shall have an initial solar reflectance value of not less than 0.30 in accordance with ASTM E 1918 or ASTM C 1549.

Exception: The following materials Concrete paving without added color or stain shall be deemed to comply with this section and need not be tested:

1. Pervious and permeable concrete pavements.
2. Concrete paving without added color or stain.

Reason: Exception 1 to Section 408.2.1 should be deleted because it should not automatically be assumed that all permeable pavement and pavers have a low albedo. For example, dark stains could be added to permeable pavement or the pavement could be naturally dark.

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Cost Impact: Will not increase the cost of construction.