§ 277. Notice of issue of local construction permit. The officer of any city, village or town having power to approve plans for the construction and alteration of buildings shall, immediately upon the issuance of a permit for the construction or alteration of a building to be used for a factory or mercantile establishment as defined by this chapter, forward to the commissioner on forms provided by him a notice of the issue of such permit and such other information as he may require. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the city of New York.