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Subject: Indirect Waste Connections in Commercial Kitchens

Purpose:
To clarify existing code provisions pertaining to the connection of Food Handling Devices to a drainage system.

Specifics:
Culinary and open sinks in commercial food establishments shall be connected to the building drainage system in a manner that prevents the contamination of food, drinks, or utensils used for the preparation or serving of foods due to backing up of waste water or sewage from the drainage system.

The connection shall be made pursuant to Section P 111.1 of Reference Standard RS-16, Paragraph (1), Subdivision (a) and Subdivision (c) which requires that an air break be provided for indirect waste by terminating the open end of the pipe at least 1 inch above the flood level rim of the receiving fixture or receptacle.

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