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SUBJECT: Standards for the Installation of Visual Alarms

EFFECTIVE: Immediately

PURPOSE: Clarification of Reference Standard RS 17-3C, Section 5 note regarding whether or not strobe circuits may be allowed to cover multiple floors.

SPECIFICS: The Building Code requirement that "a minimum of one supervised circuit per floor shall be provided" applies only to high-rise buildings classified as "C", "E" and "J" occupancies. In buildings with other occupancy classifications where an interior fire alarm system is installed as per Reference Standard RS 17-3 of the Building Code, a supervised strobe circuit may cover multiple floors.

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