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Board of Fire Prevention Regulations
527 CMR 12:00 Interpretation Committee
Department of Fire Services
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Request for Interpretation submitted by [REDACTED] on January 18, 2025.

Background:

Request for Interpretation Relative to 527 CMR 12.00, NEC 110.26(C)(3)

Question 1: Question #1 An electrical room contains multiple pieces of equipment, each rated less than 800-amperes. The room additionally contains a 2,500-ampere bus duct riser, with no connections in the room. The room entrance/egress door is located within 25-feet of the nearest edge of the equipment working space. As all equipment in the room is less than 800-amperes and the bus duct does not serve the room, does 527 CMR 12, 110.26(c)(3) permit the entrance/egress door to swing into the room, without panic (fire exit hardware)?

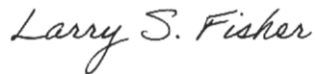
Response: Yes

Question #2: An electrical room contains multiple pieces of equipment, each rated less than 800 amperes. The room additionally contains a 2,500-ampere bus duct riser, with multiple plug-in disconnects, each rated less than 800 amperes. The room entrance/egress door is located within 25-feet of the nearest edge of the equipment working space. As all equipment in the room is less than 800-amperes and the plug-in disconnects on the bus duct are each rated less than 800-amperes does 527 CMR 12, 110.26(c)(3) permit the entrance/egress door to swing into the room, without panic (fire exit hardware)?

Response: The Board of Fire Prevention Regulations has sent this question back to the Electrical Interpretation Committee to be reviewed on March 18, 2025.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Larry S. Fisher".

Larry S. Fisher, Chairman
Board of Fire Prevention Regulations