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Request for Interpretation submitted by

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## **Background:**

Request for Interpretation Relative to 527 CMR 12.00, 210.12, 406.4

Question 1# Article 210.12(E) The exception that AFCI protection shall not be required when the WIRING modification is less than 6' and no additional outlets. Does this exception also cover one for one receptacle replacement?

Response: No

Question #2 Article 406.4(D) receptacle replacements shall comply with 406.4(D)(1) through (D)(8) Article 406.4(D)(4) states that any receptacle replaced in 210.12(A)(B) or (C) it would need to be AFCI protected. Article 210.12(D)(1) Hotels and motels would not require AFCI protection correct?

Response: Yes

Question #3 Article 406.4(D)(4) AFCI Protection Exception section seems to correct the omission of receptacle replacement not shown in the exceptions in article 210.12(E) do not require AFCI protection. Is it required on a receptacle replacement code Article 210.12(D)(1) to be AFCI protected?

Response: No

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

Sincerely,

Larry S. Fisher, Chairman

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