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Article 230.82

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527 CMR 12:00 Interpretation Committee  
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**Background:**

Request for Interpretation Relative 527 CMR 12.00 to Article 230.82

**Question # 1:**

Is this secondary meter socket allowed to be installed outdoors per 230.82(2) ahead of the service disconnect?

**Response:** Yes

**Question #2:**

Does adding this secondary meter socket to house the Backup switch require the service to comply with 230.85 emergency disconnect requirements if the rest of the service remains unchanged?

**Response:** No

**Question #3:**

Is the Back-up switch allowed to be installed on the line side of the service disconnect as allowed in 230.82(4) as a load management device is?

**Response:** Yes

**Question #4:**

Does a supply side connection to equipment allowed on the line side of a service disconnect Per 230.82(6) require a home to comply with 230.85 emergency disconnecting requirements?

**Response:** No

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. P. Caputo', written in a cursive style.

Anthony P. Caputo, Chairman  
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