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527 CMR 12:00 Interpretation Committee
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Rule 3, Article: 110.3(B),
210.8(A)

Background:

Request for Interpretation Relative to 527 CMR 12.00, Rule 3, 110.3(B), 210.8(A)

Question # 1: In an existing panel that is not listed for tandem breakers but contains existing tandem breakers, can you add listed breakers and circuits without replacing the existing tandem breakers, per Rule 3? (All other code requirements are met regarding load calculations, conductor fill, etc.)

Response: No.

Question #2: If a condenser/heat pump & coil is replaced but the accompanying furnace or air handler is not, nor any electrical work performed on furnace or air handler would an existing receptacle on the air handler / furnace need to be brought up to the requirements of 210.8(A) and 210.12(B)?

Response: No

Question # 3: If a condenser/heat pump & coil is replaced but the accompanying furnace or air handler is not, nor any electrical work performed on furnace or air handler would an existing

receptacle on the air handler / furnace and a listed condensate pump w/ manufacturer installed cord connection need to be brought up to the requirements of 2108(A) and 210.12(B)?

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". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending from the end.

Anthony P. Caputo, Chairman
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