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### **Minutes**

Meeting of the Board of Elevator Regulations June 16, 2025, at 2:00 p.m.

289 Elm Street Suite 115 Marlborough, MA. 01752

#### **Board Members Present:**

David Gaudet, Chair Tim Morgan Brian Ronan Anthony Buonopane Neil Mullane

#### **Board Members Absent:**

Christopher Towski

#### **Guests Present:**

Jerome Phillips, Stiltz Matt Kitchen, Stiltz Brent Lewis, 101 Mobility Mark Freeman, 101 Mobility Jos Kersten, 101 Mobility

#### Call to Order: 2:11 p.m.:

- 1. Roll call.
- VAR24-0098
   Product Variance
   Petitioner: Jerome Phillips

The petitioner is seeking a product variance for the DUO ALTA model, with a variance from 524 Code Mass. Regs. § 38.00, incorporating by reference ASME A18.1-2014, Safety Standard for Platform Lifts and Stairway Chairlifts, specifically § 5.7.1, for a rated load of 375 lb, less than the standard minimum rated load of 450 lb.

## **Division of Occupational Licensure Staff:**

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The Board of Elevator Regulations viewed, on-site, an installed product related to the requested product variance VAR24-0098, at the office of 101 Mobility of Boston at 289 Elm Street Suite 115 Marlborough, MA. 01752.

Jerome Phillips gave a summary of the request for variance to decrease the minimum capacity of 450 pounds down to 375 pounds for the new Duo Alta product. He then gave a live demonstration of how the product works, first with weights and then with himself on the product. Jerome Phillips also provided the following information: the new capacity of 375 pounds is because the product has a smaller motor, the unit has an overload safety feature, the half door has an interlock, an emergency stop button, a phone to call 911 or other communications, a backup battery for manual process, and runs under constant pressure. David Gaudet verified that the permit process for installation of the Duo Alta will have site specific drawings that will be verified by the Code Coordinator before a permit will be issued.

David Gaudet moved to grant the application for a variance from § 5.7.1, allowing the lower capacity of 375 pounds, with the justification that the petitioner demonstrated the unit meets safety with such limited rated load. The product variance is conditioned upon submission of site-specific drawings for the code coordinator to review and approve listing the address for each permit application, as generic product specifications and drawings will not be accepted. Neil Mullane seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0

Motion: David Gaudet Seconded: Neil Mullane

**Vote: Granted Roll Call Vote:** 

•	David Gaudet	$\boxtimes$	aye □	nay		abstain
•	Tim Morgan	$\boxtimes$	aye □	nay		abstain
•	Brian Ronan	$\boxtimes$	aye □	nay		abstain
•	Anthony Buonopane	$\boxtimes$	aye $\square$	nay		abstain
•	Neil Mullane	$\times$	aye $\square$	nay		abstain

3. Tim Morgan moved to Adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Brian Ronan. By unanimous decision the board adjourned at 2:57 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 2:57 p.m. Prepared by: Gayle Richardson