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# NOTICE OF MEETING

In accordance with the provisions of G. L. c. 30A, §20, and Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of Elevator Regulations will be held on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. As this will be a hybrid meeting, the meeting will be conducted in-person at the location referenced below and can be accessed remotely via the links and dial-in information below:

Meeting of the Board of Elevator Regulations March 4, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.

> 1000 Washington Street Boston, MA 02118 Conference Room 1D

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It is anticipated that the following topics will be discussed at the aforementioned meeting:

1. Roll Call

VAR24-0086
 93 Pleasant Street Warren

New Install

Code Reference: A18.1 2014 2.7.1 Limitation of Load, Speed, and Travel

Petitioner: Carol Sausville

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The petitioner is back in front of the board from November 19, 2024, to provide additional documentation, including additional photographs of the area and a letter from 101 Mobility Elevator. An extension was previously given, which brought the deadline to February 18, 2025.

### 3. VAR24-0098

**Product Variance** 

Petitioner: Jerome Phillips

The petitioner is being brought back before the board from a previous meeting held, December 17, 2024, seeking a product variance for the DUO ALTA model, which will be a variance of 524CMR 38.00 by reference A18.1-2014 section 5.7.1 Minimum Capacity of 450lbs. The board requested a viewing of the installed DUO ALTA and corrected drawings of the product. The deadline to submit the requested information was February 14, 2025. No additional documentation has been received.

### 4. APP-BER25-0001

700 Boylston Street Boston

State ID: 1-P-3142

Code Reference: 524 CMR 17:39

Petitioner: Jonathan Eshel

Petitioner is appealing the Inspector's report from January 23, 2025, for inspection INS-706320 for 524 CMR 17:39.

### 5. VAR25-0004

57 Union Street Newton Petitioner: Galina Slezinger

Code Reference: ASME A18.1 2014 section 3.1.2.2

Petitioner: Galina Slezinger

The petitioner is seeking a variance from ASME A18.1 2014 section 3.1.2.2 for overhead clearance to install new lift to replace the existing lift.

## 6. Chief Elevator Inspector's Report:

- a. CMR524 Section 10.3 paragraph 2 Replacements of any of the following elevator systems, parts or components thereof governed by 524 CMR, shall require a permit and an acceptance test witnessed by a state elevator inspector:
  - (a) car or counterweight safeties. (b) driving machine with a new machine.
  - (c) controller with a new controller. (d) brake assembly.
  - (e) brake shoes. (f) hydraulic control valves. (g) overspeed valves.
  - (h) hydraulic plungers. (i) hydraulic cylinders. (j) hydraulic supply lines.
  - (k) complete jack units; (l) decrease in operating speed; and (m) decrease in operating capacity.

The packing is a part and a component of the hydraulic jack. Typically, in the elevator industry they treat this as a maintenances item and never request a permit and a test. In code this would require a permit and a test. Discussion with the board, as a department, we would just like them to pull a permit only.

b. Discussion with the board regarding the following scenario: When an inspector does an annual inspection, part of the inspection is checking fire recall. Sometimes we come across a building that is occupied by the general public and there is work being done on the floor, so the smoke detectors are bagged, so as not to set them off. We ask them to remove the bag and test recall. We have noted that some companies reinstall the bag back on the smoke detector making the elevator non-compliant. We have a problem with this, when we discover that the fire department has not been notified about the fire alarm system being down, smoke detectors bagged or there isn't a firefighter on standby. The question as the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) is to let the elevator continue running.

# 7. Review and Approval of Minutes:

- a. Meeting minutes from January 21, 2025
- b. Meeting minutes from February 4, 2025

# 8. Administrative Business:

- a. Administrative Decisions processed since last BER meeting.
- b. DOL will be moving in March of 2025 to One Federal Street, Boston. Logistics and outreach for the move are currently being addressed and planned.
- 9. Matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting.

If you need reasonable accommodations to participate in the meeting, please reach out to Cheryl Yebba at 617-701-8711. While the Board will do its best to accommodate you, certain accommodations may not be available if requested immediately before the meeting.