



Office of the State Fire Marshal

DATE: May 18, 2011

TO: All State Licensed Contractors and Inspectors
All Illinois Municipalities Party to a Local Agreement with the OSFM
All Illinois Municipalities Without a Local Agreement with the OSFM

FROM: Robert Capuani

RE: Board Interpretation: Compliance with ASME A17.1 § 8.6, Code Data Plate and Wiring Documents.

At the May 12, 2011 meeting of the Elevator Safety Review Board, the Board took notice of the fact that certain Illinois-registered conveyances have not yet achieved compliance with ASME A17.1, Sections 8.6.1.5.1 ("Code Data Plate") and 8.6.1.6.3 ("Wiring Documents"). In doing so, the Board recognized that Code Data Plates and Wiring Diagrams are required on all Illinois-registered conveyances, both new and existing.

Following public comment and discussion, the Board unanimously concluded that it would allow all Illinois-registered conveyances a one year grace period to achieve compliance with both the Code Data Plate and Wiring Document requirements contained in A17.1 §8.6, starting May 13, 2011. Those conveyances which do not comply with the Code Data Plate and Wiring Document requirements on May 13, 2012 will, therefore, be in violation of Illinois law unless the relevant Local Administrator has granted an exception/variance from the Code. This grace period applies only to the Code Data Plate and Wiring Diagram requirements.

Violations for non-compliance with the Code Data Plate and Wiring Document Sections of A17.1 are hereby suspended until May 13, 2012.