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STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

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STATE BUILDING CODE INTERPRETATION NO. 00-02

CODE: 1997 Uniform Building Code (UBC),

State Regulations for Barrier-Free Facilities

SECTION: Section 1105.4.9 Alarms.

QUESTIONS: 1. Is it the intent of the Regulations for Barrier-Free Facilities to

require the installation of audible and visual appliances based on

supervision requirements alone when central, remote, or

proprietary monitoring equipment is installed only to supervise

sprinkler systems for water flow?

2. Is it the intent of the Regulations for Barrier-Free Facilities to require the installation of audible and visual alarms when central, remote or proprietary monitoring equipment is installed which

includes a manual pull station?

ANSWER: 1. and 2. No. The intent of Section 1105.4.9 is to require both

audible and visual alarms be provided where a fire alarm system is

already required. Central, proprietary, or remote station

monitoring of a sprinkler system, with or without a pull station, does not in itself trigger the requirement to provide audible and

visual alarms.

SUPERSEDES: None

REQUESTED BY: City of Spokane