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ELEVATOR AND AMUSEMENT DEVICE BUREAU

DATE: May 29, 2018

MEMORANDUM TO: Elevator Companies

FROM: Thomas M. Chambers
Bureau Chief

RE: New Requirements for Personnel Hoists (Buck Hoists)

Effective immediately, all existing personnel hoists (buck hoists) and future installations in North Carolina shall comply with the following requirements:

- A10.4 (24.1.2.1- 1.) - Be controlled inside of the lift by continuous-pressure type operation. Other methods such as Automatic operation will no longer be allowed in N.C.
- A10.4 (18.2.2.1.) - All car gates will be required to have two gate switches; one for each separate panel on bi-parting gates, and one gate switch for each side on a single panel gate.

All units currently installed and operating in North Carolina are required to comply with these new requirements no later than June 30th of 2018. Owners of personnel hoist equipment currently installed and operating in the state shall submit an Application for Alteration to this Bureau before modification work may be started. No fee will be charged for the inspection of this alteration. Once all alternation work is complete, owners shall schedule inspections with the local inspector. Failure to comply by June 30th, 2018 will result in both revocation of the certificate of operation and an immediate shutdown of the equipment. Please also note that if a hoist is jumped or additional levels are needed for access, this is considered an alteration and the unit must be inspected before access to those levels is allowed.

This requirement shall remain in effect for any alterations made to existing personnel hoists (buck hoists) after June 30, 2018, and for all future installations.

Thank you for your immediate attention to and compliance with this matter.

TC/cs

cc: EAD Staff