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FBC 6th Edition (2017) FORMAL INTERPRETATION (#2)

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DATE: October 12, 2017
TO: All Building Officials
FROM: James DiPietro, Administrative Director
SUBJECT: Identification of Mechanical Equipment.

At the meeting of October 12, 2017 the Board approved an interpretation of Section 304.12, 6th Edition (2017) Florida Building Code, Mechanical (FMC). This section of the code requires marking of appliances (air conditioning equipment) serving different areas of a building other than where they are installed to uniquely identify the appliance and the area it serves.

The purpose of these sections is to easily identify equipment for servicing and in case of an emergency. An example would be multiple installations of appliances on a roof top of an office building, condominium, apartment building, etc. There is no requirement for identification of appliances contained in the Florida Residential Code.

Formal Interpretation:

Section 304.12, 6th Edition (2017) Florida Building Code, Mechanical does not apply to buildings governed under the Florida Residential Code. These buildings include detached one-two family dwellings and multiple single-family dwellings (townhouses) not more than three stories in height with a separate means of egress.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 20, 2005

RE-ISSUED: October 12, 2017

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2018

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