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FBC 8TH EDITION (2023) FORMAL INTERPRETATION (#14)

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DATE: October 12, 2023
TO: All Building Officials
FROM: Dr. Ana Barbosa, Administrative Director 
SUBJECT: Acceptable testing methods for Smoke Control Systems

At its regularly scheduled meeting on October 12, 2023, the Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals approved an interpretation of the following Florida Building Code, 8th Edition (2023) sections:

- FMC 513.3 Special inspection and test requirements
- FMC 513.18 Acceptance testing
- FMC 513.19 System Acceptance
- FBC 909.3 Special inspection and test requirements

Formal Interpretation:

As part of the procedures and methods to be used in testing a Smoke Control System, the Engineer of Record shall be able to use any measurable and certifiable method of generating smoke, including smoke-generating machines.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 12, 2017
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