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Division:	Fire Prevention	Code Interpretation:	FP-CI-49
Subject:	APPLICABILITY OF 2013 NFPA 13, SECTION 25.2.1.6	Effective Date:	01/13/20
Code:	2013 NFPA 13, SECTION 25.2.1.6 AND 2016 NFPA 13, SECTION 25.2.1.4.2	Revised Date:	NEW

A. SUBJECT:

On January 10, 2020, the Clark County Board of Fire Code Appeals (CCBFCA) has ruled on a fire code interpretation dated April 3, 2019 issued by Jerry Stueve, Fire Code Official related to the applicability of 2013 NFPA 25.2.1.6.

B. CODE REQUIREMENT:

2013 NFPA 13, 25.2.1.6. Modifications that cannot be isolated, such as relocated drops, shall not require testing in excess of system working pressure.

2016 NFPA 13, 25.2.1.4.2. Modifications that cannot be isolated, such as relocated drops, shall not require testing in excess of system working pressure.

C. INTERPRETATION:

The CCBFCA ruled that 2013 NFPA, *Section 25.2.1.6 is not applicable if one or more of the following conditions exist:*

- 1) *A single arm-over piping has a lateral length greater than 15 feet.*
- 2) *A single drop, sprig or arm-over includes more than five (5) fittings.*

The CCBFC further ruled that this interpretation also applies to 2016 NFPA 25.2.1.4.2.

D. RATIONALE:

This code interpretation is intended to ensure consistent application hydrostatic testing requirements.

POLICY #	TITLE	Effective Date	Revised	Reviewed

Revision History:

Approved by: <i>Jerome A. Stueve</i> Jerome A. Stueve, P.E., Director, Building/Fire Code Official
