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to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 15-2019**

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Proposed Addendum o to Standard 15-2019, Safety Standard for Refrigeration Systems

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FOREWORD

This proposed addendum to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 15-2019 addresses a continuous maintenance proposal to clarify intent and requirement for notification and is a result of discussions as part of the ICC code development process. The reader is reminded that Addendum f to Standard 15-2019 modified Informative Appendix A to be a repository for explanatory material.

Note: This addendum makes proposed changes to the current standard. These changes are indicated in the text by underlining (for additions) and ~~strike through~~ (for deletions) except where the reviewer instructions specifically describe some other means of showing the changes. Only these changes to the current standard are open for review and comment at this time. Additional material is provided for context only and is not open for comment except as it relates to the proposed changes.

Addendum o to Standard 15-2019

Modify Section 5 as follows. The remainder of Section 5 remains unchanged.

5. REFRIGERATING SYSTEM CLASSIFICATION

[...]

- 5.3.1 *The owner or the owner's authorized agent shall be notified prior to making a change of refrigerant, and the change of refrigerant shall not be made where the owner objects to the change. The change of refrigerant shall be approved by the owner.

[...]

Note to Reviewers: The 2019 published edition of ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 15-2019 was modified by Addendum f to insert a new Informative Appendix A, "Explanatory Material," redesignated the published Informative Appendix A, "Informative References," to Informative Appendix B, "Informative References," and redesignated the published Normative Appendix B, "Normative References," to Section 14, "Normative References." To reduce confusion, this proposed addendum uses the revisions published in Addendum f as a baseline.

Modify Informative Appendix A as follows. The remainder of Informative Appendix A remains unchanged.

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INFORMATIVE APPENDIX A—EXPLANATORY MATERIAL

Sections of the standard with associated explanatory information in this appendix are marked with an asterisk "*" after the section number, and the associated appendix information is located in a corresponding section number preceded by "A".

[...]

- A5.3.1** The intent of notifying the owner or owner's agent is to ensure the owner of the building is aware of the

change and can address any consequences to the building or occupancy that might be tied to the change of refrigerant. The owner notification can be made by the designer, contractor, installer, or any other party involved in the proposed refrigerant change.