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Second Public Review Draft

Proposed Addendum h to Standard 15-2024, Safety Standard for Refrigeration Systems

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FOREWORD

This addendum makes a small but significant change to the first public review draft in response to a public comment. The change retains the original intent of the 2024 edition, to prohibit other reuses of recovered or recycled refrigerants that are not explicitly permitted.

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Modify Section 7 as follows. The remainder of Section 7 remains unchanged.

- **7.10.2* Recovered Refrigerants.** Recovered refrigerants shall be permitted to be reused <u>only</u> in refrigeration systems belonging to the same owner as the refrigeration systems from which they were removed. When contamination is evident by discoloration, odor, acid test results, or refrigeration system history, recovered refrigerants shall be reclaimed in accordance with Section 7.10.4 before reuse.
- **7.10.3 Recycled Refrigerants.** Recycled refrigerants shall be permitted to be reused only in refrigeration systems belonging to the same owner as the refrigeration systems from which they were removed. When contamination is evident by discoloration, odor, acid test results, or refrigeration system history, recycled refrigerants shall be reclaimed in accordance with Section 7.10.4 before reuse.
- Exception to 7.10.3: Drying is not required in order to use *recycled refrigerants* where water is the *refrigerant*, is used as an absorbent, or is a deliberate additive.