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Memorandum

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Subject: Work performed out of state on Portable Fire Extinguishers

To Whom It May Concern:

Portable fire extinguishers and fire extinguisher system components may be serviced by companies not located in this state, when a company licensed by the Safety Fire Division has placed their own tag upon that extinguisher. This shall only cover the recharging, repairing, servicing, or testing of portable fire extinguishers or fire suppression systems, as referenced in Rule 120-3-23-.01(1) and O.C.G.A. Title 25-12-1.

It shall be deemed acceptable to the State Fire Marshal's Office and subsequently shall be considered acceptable to any jurisdiction within this state, that a proper tag placed by a Georgia licensed portable fire extinguisher company covers all work performed on a portable fire extinguisher by any company not located in this state.

This clarification is provided where portable fire extinguishers are found in Georgia that were recharged, repaired, serviced, or tested outside the state of Georgia by companies who are not licensed by the Safety Fire Division. Those extinguishers may bear the six-year maintenance collars and 12-year hydrostatic labels of those companies; however, they must bear the approved tag of a Georgia licensed fire extinguisher company. All work described in O.C.G.A. Title 25-12-1 performed "in this state" shall be performed by a Georgia licensed extinguisher company.

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