



DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

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CHARLES M. SMITH, Jr., R.A., Commissioner

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Mr. Peter F. Oddo, Jr.
Peter F. Oddo, Jr., Architect
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GEORGE E. BERGER, P.E.
Assistant Commissioner
Building Construction

RE: Emergency Exit Lights


Dear Mr. Oddo:

Your letter, dated March 15, 1988 to Commissioner Smith, has been forwarded to my office for review and response.

Section 27-381 requires exit lighting in exits and their access facilities in all occupancies. This section requires exit lighting in the path of egress and not in general occupied floor area. This section also exempts dwelling units in a multiple dwelling.

Whereas Section 27-382 requires emergency exit lighting in new buildings in all occupancies and in existing buildings in certain occupancy when more than four lights are required in a building. Furthermore this section does not require emergency exit lighting in existing buildings classified in occupancy group J-2.

Very truly yours,



George E. Berger, P.E.
Assistant Commissioner

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