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TECHNICAL
POLICY AND PROCEDURE NOTICE #1/94

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DATE: January 24, 1994
SUBJECT: Gas Meter Room Ventilation

EFFECTIVE: Immediately

PURPOSE: To establish a minimum requirement for the required ventilation in a room or space in which a new gas meter(s) is installed, as required in Reference Standard RS 16, Section P115.6 of the Administrative Code.

SPECIFICS: Any one of the following methods shall be considered sufficient to provide proper ventilation to a room or space in which a gas meter(s) is installed:

1. An opening to the outside air in the wall of the room or space which contains the gas meter, provided the free area of the opening is not less than 30 square inches.
2. A duct having a cross-section area of at least 50 square inches of free area and a maximum length of 15 feet leading to the outside air. If a longer duct is required due to the building construction, the area of the duct should be increased accordingly, subject to the approval of the Borough Commissioner.

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However, under no circumstances shall the means of ventilation for the gas meter room or space be from an adjoining room or space within the building.

EXCEPTION:

The above requirement is not applicable to one and two family dwellings, since the gas meter is available for continuous supervision.

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