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Code Interpretation: 2012 IRC Interpretation 05

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Code/ Edition: 2012 International Residential Code

Section(s): IRC Section 314.3.1

Subject: Smoke detectors in residential occupancies

Question: Is it the intent of this section of code that smoke detectors are required to be installed when a new water heater permit is obtained, a HVAC replacement permit is issued or a permit is issued for an electrical panel service upgrade, etc.

Answer: No

Commentary: The issuance of a plumbing, HVAC or electrical permit does not trigger application of Section R314.3.1 of the residential code. From discussions regarding this section of code, it has been concluded that application of this section occurs when a building permit is required. Being triggered by a building permit, it will be the responsibility of the building inspector to verify the installation itself is code complying.

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