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INDUSTRIALIZED UNIT MANUFACTURERS – NFPA 70 Update

Effective January 1st, 2015, the 2014 Edition of NFPA 70, “*The National Electric Code*,” must be used for electrical code compliance for IU projects regulated by the OBC.

Applications to the Board of Building Standards (BBS) for plan approval of Industrialized Units (IUs) will be processed as follows:

- Prior to January 1, 2015, construction documents for IU projects regulated by the Ohio Building Code (OBC) will be reviewed in accordance with the 2011 OBC, 2011 OPC, 2011 OMC, 2009 IECC, and **2011 NEC**.
- On January 1, 2015, and after, construction documents for IU projects regulated by the OBC will be reviewed in accordance with the 2011 OBC, 2011 OPC, 2011 OMC, 2009 IECC, and **2014 NEC**. These documents, once approved, must be used for building department submittal for the IU portion of a project.
- In-plant inspections of IU projects regulated by the OBC submitted to the BBS for review before January 1, 2015, will be made using BBS approved construction documents sealed with “2011OBC · **2011 NEC**.”
- In-plant inspections of IU projects regulated by the OBC submitted to the BBS for review after January 1, 2015, will be made using BBS approved construction documents sealed with “2011OBC · **2014 NEC**.”
- **One-, two-, and three-family** IU construction documents will CONTINUE to be reviewed in accordance with the 2013 RCO and **2011 NEC** and will have approved construction documents sealed with “2013 RCO · 2011 NEC”.
- In-plant inspections of **one-, two-, and three-family** IUs will CONTINUE to be inspected in accordance with the BBS approved construction documents sealed with “2013 RCO · 2011NEC”.

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- Construction documents for IU projects regulated by the OBC, initially submitted to the BBS before January 1, 2015, and reviewed in accordance with the 2011 OBC, 2011 OPC, 2011 OMC, 2009 IECC, and **2011 NEC** will continue to be valid and can be submitted to a building department for the IU portion of a project until April 1, 2015.
- On April 1, 2015, construction documents for IU projects regulated by the OBC, approved by the BBS, and reviewed in accordance with the 2011 OBC, 2011 OPC, 2011 OMC, 2009 IECC, and **2011 NEC** for the IU portion of a project will be considered invalid.
- Board approved construction documents for IU projects regulated by the OBC and submitted for approval to a building department for the IU portion of a project on or after April 1, 2015, must have the “2011 OBC · **2014 NEC**” contained in the Board’s seal on each sheet related to the IU.
- **One-, two-, and three-family** IU construction document submittals will not be affected.

Please contact Board staff at 614-644-2613 or dic.bbs@com.state.oh.us for additional information if needed.