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DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 17, 1981

TO: BOROUGH SUPERINTENDENTS
FROM: Deputy Commissioner Irving E. Minkin, P.E.
SUBJECT: EMERGENCY LIGHTING

Commissioner Fruchtman's memorandum of February 19, 1981 which indicated typical emergency lighting types and locations which conform with the requirements of Local Law 41/78 with regard to emergency lighting (as detailed in Directive No. 5/79) is modified by the following:

1. All amended P.A. plans which were approved by the department prior to the date of said memo shall be reviewed in the course of inspections to ascertain whether the installation is in substantial compliance with the typical layouts referred to above.
2. If the requirements of the typical layouts are not substantially complied with, the P.A. permit is to be renewed nonetheless, but the Inspectors are to have the layouts brought to your attention for a determination as to whether the deviation requires additional units. If you determine additional units are required, a letter is to be sent to a responsible party, requiring such installation to be completed prior to the next annual P.A. inspection; and, advising the proprietor to file an amended P.A. plan reflecting the additional lighting to be installed in accordance with your determinations.
3. You should exercise your discretion to determine the degree of compliance with Local Law 41/78 with regard to the locations and spacing of lamps, but you should attempt to adhere to the requirements of the enclosures with the memorandum of February 19th, (2 lamps battery pack and 3 lamps battery pack. However, increased illumination levels with the existing number of lamps, or the like should be considered).


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Deputy Commissioner

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