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Subject: sprinkler piping in exits

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Building Code Reference(s): 3.4.4.4.(1)

Question:

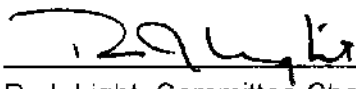
Clause 3.4.4.4.(1)(a) permits standpipe and sprinkler piping to penetrate a fire separation that separates an exit from the remainder of the building.

Can such penetrations occur even when the standpipe and sprinkler piping does not serve the exit?

Interpretation:

Yes

Clause 3.4.4.4.(1)(a) permits ALL standpipe and sprinkler piping to penetrate a fire separation that surrounds an exit enclosure even when such piping does not serve the exit.



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