CHANGE TYPE: Addition

CHANGE SUMMARY: This new section provides specific height limitations for emergency disconnect switches for fuel dispensing operations.

2018 CODE: 2303.2.1 Height. The height of the emergency disconnect switch shall be not less than 42 inches (1067 mm) and not more than 48 inches (1372 mm) measured vertically, from the floor level to the activating button.

CHANGE SIGNIFICANCE: This code change specifies a height requirement for emergency disconnect switches at motor vehicle fuel dispensing facilities.

The 2015 IFC requires the emergency disconnect switch to be:

- Clearly identified.
- · Readily accessible.
- No closer than 20 feet and no further than 100 feet from outdoor dispensing operations.

This additional criterion specifies the acceptable height of the emergency disconnect switch. The height limitations are identical to the height limitations for a manual fire alarm box in Section 907.4.2.2.

2303.2.1

Height of Emergency Disconnect Switch



The emergency disconnect switch must be in a location that is provided with ready access.



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