CHANGE TYPE: Modification

CHANGE SUMMARY: Large public venues are required to provide real-time captions that are integrated with the emergency voice/alarm communication system.

2018 CODE: 907.5.2.2.4 Emergency voice/alarm communication captions. Where stadiums, arenas and grandstands are required to caption have 15,000 fixed seats or more and provide audible public announcements, in accordance with Section 1108.2.7.3, the emergency voice/alarm communication system shall be captioned provide pre-recorded or real-time captions. Prerecorded or live emergency captions shall be from an approved location constantly attended by personnel trained to respond to an emergency.

CHANGE SIGNIFICANCE: This revision adds language from Section 1108.2.7.3 in the International Building Code to correlate the accessibility provisions with the requirements in Chapter 9. IBC Section 1108.2.7.3 requires real-time captions of all audible public announcements. This revision affords the code official and designers to design and enforce the requirements for emergency voice/alarm communication systems and coordinate with the requirements for accessibility.

This provides for a visual notification to the large audience in these venues.

This venue, with over 15,000 fixed seats, requires captioned announcements from the emergency voice/alarm communications system.