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## **MEMORANDUM**

Date: 2/3/17

## **TO:** All Interested Parties

## SUBJECT: New policy regarding the opening of disconnect switches by state inspectors

The Division has taken the same position as the rest of the industry in that it will no longer permit its employees to open up the covers of the disconnect means. This change in policy will affect the performance of New and Alteration inspections in the following way:

It will now be the responsibility of the CQCC to ensure that a qualified electrician is present to demonstrate that the disconnecting means are installed properly and that the disconnect contains the properly sized fuses and wires. Failure to demonstrate the compliance of the disconnecting means will be treated the same as any other deficiency on a New or Alteration inspection.

If you have any questions please contact your local elevator unit district office.

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