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SUBJECT: Installations with multiple cylinders/tanks

The purpose of this Bulletin is to clarify the maximum allowable number of propane containers permitted on a single installation using multiple containers.

Clauses 6.7.7 and 7.10.2 of the CSA B149.2-10 Code allow the installation of up to 4 propane containers against a building wall with a separation of at least 10 feet between each group of 4 containers. Theoretically this would allow unlimited numbers of groups of 4 containers to be installed if each group has the 10-foot separation.

After consideration of the safety impacts presented by having multiple containers located against a building wall, and after consultation with other jurisdictions on this issue, it this the position of this office that the maximum allowable number of containers serving a single installation will be limited to 8 containers. In the case of containers located against a building wall, this will be 2 groups of 4 containers separated by at least 10 feet.

Variance requests will be considered for those installations which are not able to meet this requirement.

For any questions regarding this Bulletin, please contact me at our Dartmouth offices.

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