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NOTICE OF FINAL INTERPRETATION

On May 11, 2016, the Minnesota Plumbing Board issued a Final Interpretation, which is printed below, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §§ 326B.435, subd. 2(a)(4), and 326B.127, subd. 5.

Any person aggrieved by this Final Interpretation may appeal it within 30 days of its issuance in accordance with Minnesota Statutes chapter 14.

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FINAL INTERPRETATION

Inquiry:	PB0083
Subject:	Air gap fittings and drainage from domestic dishwashers
Code Reference:	Minnesota Plumbing Code: 2012 Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC) Sections 414.3 and 807.4, as incorporated in the Minnesota Plumbing Code by Minnesota Rule 4714.0050
Submitted by:	Patrick Lorio, City of Minneapolis, 250 South 4 th Street, 300, Minneapolis, MN 55415
Approved by:	Minnesota Plumbing Board, by John Parizek, Chair
Date Received:	April 14, 2016
Issue Date:	May 11, 2016

Question: May a domestic dishwasher be drained to a lower floor, without the installation of an approved air gap fitting with an indirect drain?

Answer: No. The Minnesota Plumbing Board interprets UPC Sections 414.3 and 807.4 as incorporated into the Minnesota Plumbing Code by Minnesota Rule 4714.0050, to require a domestic dishwasher to discharge through a listed air gap fitting. The air gap fitting must be referenced in chapter 14 of the 2012 UPC as amended by Minnesota Rules chapter 4714.

Commentary: This request for interpretation was considered at the April 19, 2016 meeting of the Minnesota Plumbing Board. All parties had an opportunity to be heard. As required by

Minnesota Statutes § 326B.127, subd. 5, the Minnesota Plumbing Board will consider this final interpretation for adoption as part of the Minnesota Plumbing Code.

Date: May 11, 2016

s/s
John Parizek, Chair
Minnesota Plumbing Board