Dear Interested Parties:

At its meeting of July 29 – July 31, 2013, the Standards Council considered an appeal from James Conrad of RSCC Wire & Cable LLC. The appeal requests that the 2014 edition of NFPA 70®, National Electrical Code® (NEC) be issued with the withdrawal of the following: CAM 70-26 to accept Comment 13-54; CAM 70-27 to accept Comment 13-59; CAM 70-29 to accept Comment 13-76 and CAM 70-31 to accept Comment 13-101. Specifically, the appeal seeks to retain the changes approved by NEC Code Making Panel 13 during the Report on Comments stage in Sections 695.6, 695.14, 700.10 and 708.10 with respect to increasing the minimum required thickness of concrete encasement for the fire protection of wiring from 2 inches to 4 inches and other related modifications.

The Council has voted to deny the appeal. The effect of this action is that the related text will return to previous edition text. Specifically, in Sections 695.6, 695.14, 700.10 and 708.10, the minimum required thickness of concrete encasement for the fire protection of wiring will remain at 2 inches and that the other related text will return to the previous edition text.

Council Members James Golinveaux and James Milke recused themselves during the hearing, deliberation and vote on this issue.

*NOTE: Participants in NFPA’s codes and standards making process should know that limited review of this decision may be sought from the NFPA Board of Directors. For the rules describing the available review and the method for petitioning the Board for review, please consult section 1-7 of the NFPA Regulations Governing Committee Projects and the NFPA Regulations Governing Petitions to the Board of Directors from Decisions of the Standards Council. Notice of the intent to file such a petition must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board of Directors within 15 calendar days of the Date of Decision noted in the subject line of this letter.
**Notice on Short Decisions:** This is a “Short” decision, briefly stating the action on the appeals. A full Final Decision, containing further detail, will be issued in due course, and will automatically be sent to all interested parties as soon as it becomes available. Note that any Petition to the NFPA Board of Directors (see *NOTE, in the footer on the first page of this letter) must be filed within 15 days of the date of this Short Decision (see Date of Decision, in the subject line on the first page). Once the Notice has been filed, however, the Petition itself, should it be pursued, will not be due until 15 days following issuance of the Final Decision.

Sincerely,

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Secretary, NFPA Standards Council

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   Members, NEC Correlating Committee (NEC-AAC)
   Members, NFPA Standards Council (AAD-AAA)
   Individuals Providing Appeal Commentary