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Section 514.2

Question:

Is it the intent of FBC Mechanical 514.2 to prohibit all hazardous exhaust (covered in Section 510) from being a source for energy recovery systems.

Answer

Yes, the code specifically prohibits hazardous exhaust from being part of an ERV system. However, technology will always outpace the Code development process. If sufficient documentation can be provided to the Building Official in accordance with FBC Administrative Section 104.11 to determine the safety of the design as an alternative, equivalent system, then, a request for approval could be considered by the Building Official on a case-by-case basis.

Commentary:

None.

Notice:

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