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| Subject:                    | sprinkler piping in exits                     |                       |  |
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## Question:

Clause 3.4.4.4.(1)(a) permits standpipe and sprinkler piping to penetrate a fire separation that separates an exit from the remainder of the building.

Can such penetrations occur even when the standpipe and sprinkler piping does not serve the exit?

## Interpretation:

Yes

Clause 3.4.4.4.(1)(a) permits ALL standpipe and sprinkler piping to penetrate a fire separation that surrounds an exit enclosure even when such piping does not serve the exit.

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