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**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
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**MEMORANDUM 013  
VIDEO TEXT  
EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS  
IBC 2018 – A17.1-2019**

Date: October 8, 2021  
To: Elevator Inspectors, Inspection Companies, and Elevator Contractors  
From: Gus Guadamuz  
Re: Emergency Communications

On June 9, 2021 The Elevator Safety Board approved the following:

The State of Missouri will approve new installations that include Video/Text Emergency Communication systems if requested by the builder or if required by a municipality that has adopted and enforces 2018 International Building Code section 3001.2 or later.

The Video/ Text Emergency Communication means will conform to the A17.1-2019 Section 2.27.

A variance approval by the Elevator Safety Board will be required for all new installations that include Video/ Text Emergency Communications Means.

Inspecting and testing information of this equipment is to be furnished as part of the Maintenance Control Program, On-Site Documentation, including:  
A17.1-2019 Sections 2.27.1, 8.6 .1.2.2(c) (3), 8.6.4.15.5, and 8.6.11.2.

The State Data Base will furnish A17.1-2019 code emergency communication sections for use in inspection reports.

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