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## ADDENDA

ASHRAE Addendum a to ASHRAE Guideline 0-2019

# The Commissioning Process

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Addendum a revises the title, purpose, and scope of the guideline to clarify that it applies to new buildings and new systems in existing buildings.

*Note:* In this addendum, changes to the current standard are indicated in the text by <u>underlining</u> (for additions) and <u>strikethrough</u> (for deletions) unless the instructions specifically mention some other means of indicating the changes.

#### Addendum a to Guideline 0-2019

Modify the title, purpose, and scope as shown.

#### THE COMMISSIONING PROCESS FOR NEW BUILDINGS AND NEW SYSTEMS

#### 1. PURPOSE

**1.1** This guideline recommends measures that exceed minimum requirements contained in ASHRAE/IES Standard 202. The purpose of this guideline is to describe a Commissioning Process (Cx) for capable of verifying that the facility building and its systems meet the Owner's Project Requirements (OPR).

#### 2. SCOPE

- **2.1** The procedures, methods, and documentation requirements in this guideline describe each phase of the project delivery and the associated Commissioning Processes <u>and scope</u> from presdesign through <u>warranty expiration for commissioned systems for new buildings, major renovations, and additions to existing buildings. occupancy and operation, without regard to specific elements, assemblies, or systems.</u>
- **2.2** This guideline provides the following:
- a. Overview of Commissioning Process Activities
- b. Description of the Commissioning Processes for each project phase
- c. Requirements for acceptance during each phase
- d. Requirements for documentation during each phase
- e. Requirements for training of operations and maintenance (O&M) personnel
- f. Requirements for initial establishment of ongoing Commissioning Process

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