ERRATA SHEET FOR ANSI/ASHRAE STANDARD 15-2022, Safety Standard for Refrigeration Systems

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The corrections listed in this errata sheet apply to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 15-2022. The outside back cover marking identifying the first printing is "Product code: 86306 9/22". Shaded items have been added since the previously published errata sheet dated May 30, 2023 was distributed.

(Note: Additions are shown in <u>underline</u> and deletions are shown in strikethrough.)

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7 **3.1 Defined Terms.** In Section 3.1 change the definition of *system refrigerant charge* from " m_c " to " m_s " as shown below.

system refrigerant charge (<u>m</u>_s**m**_e): the total mass of *refrigerant* in an *independent circuit* of a system, including both factory and field *refrigerant* charge.

12-15 7.3.2* Institutional Occupancies Refrigerant Systems Charge Limits. Remove the asterisk from Sections 7.3.2, 7.3.3 and 7.3.4 as shown below highlighted in yellow.

7.3.2* Institutional Occupancies Refrigerant Systems Charge Limits.
[...]
7.3.3* Industrial Occupancies and Refrigerated Rooms.
[...]
7.3.4* Releasable Refrigerant Charge (*m_{rel}*) Determination.
[...]

- **13** Figure 7-1 Refrigerant system charge limit compliance path Part 1. Revise Figure 7-1 as shown in the attached.
- **18 7.6.1.2* Other Refrigeration Systems.** Revise Section 7.6.1.2 as shown below.

7.6.1.2* Other Refrigeration Systems. For any refrigeration system not meeting the requirements of Section 7.6.1.1, the *refrigerant* charge of the largest *independent circuit* of the system (*ms*) *shall not* exceed the value from Equation 7-9:

$$EDVC = M_{def} \times F_{LFL} \times F_{occ} \tag{7-9}$$

where $EDVC = effective \ dispersal \ volume \ charge, \ \underline{lb} \ (\underline{kg}) \ ft^3 \ (\underline{m}^3)$ [...]

20 Table 7-2 Refrigerant Charge Limit (M_{def}), kg (SI). Revise the middle column (Height = 1.80 m) of the first row (Floor Area = 5 m²) of Table 7-2 as follows:

<u>18 1.8</u>

21 7.6.4 Mechanical Ventilation. Revise Section 7.6.4 as shown below, to remove use of italics font.

7.6.4* Mechanical Ventilation. Mechanical ventilation for *refrigerant* safety mitigation *shall* comply with this section. Where a *ventilated enclosure* is provided to control a *refrigerant* leak, the refrigeration system and *ventilated enclosure shall* be *listed* and installed in accordance with UL 60335-2-40⁵/CSA C22.2 No. 60335-2-40⁶ and *shall not* be required to comply with this

section.

a. Mechanical ventilation *shall* be provided that will remove leaked *refrigerant* from the space where *refrigerant* leaking from the refrigeration system is expected to accumulate. The space *shall* be provided with an exhaust or transfer fan. Fans used to <u>exhaust air *exhaust air*</u> from the space or transfer air to a separate indoor space *shall* comply with Equation 7-10: [...]

8.11.9. In Section 8.11.9 change "Section 8.11.6" to "Section 8.11.8" as shown below.

8.11.9 *Refrigerant detectors* required by Section <u>8.11.8</u> <u>8.11.6</u> *shall* meet all of the following conditions:
[...]

29 Table 8-3 Calculation Method Equations. Revise the coefficient in one equation as shown below.

$$Q' = 0.400 \ 6.67 \times P^{0.62}$$
(SI)

31 Figure 8-2 Level 2 ventilation rate for Class 2L refrigerants (SI) with (b) detail. Revise Figure 8-2 detail (b) as follows for five instances of chart labels:

1.9 L/s <u>m³/s</u>, 8.5 kg 1.6 L/s <u>m³/s</u>, 10 kg 1.4 L/s <u>m³/s</u>, 12 kg 1.2 L/s <u>m³/s</u>, 15 kg 0.88 L/s <u>m³/s</u>, 19 kg

63 INFORMATIVE APPENDIX A EXPLANATORY MATERIAL. Revise Informative Appendix A as shown below.

[...]

Section 7.3.2

When a refrigeration system does not have a *refrigerant detector*, there will not necessarily be circulation (or ventilation) airflow. Thus, systems in accordance with Section 7.3.2 (no *refrigerant* detection and/or no continuous airflow), must use the worst case distribution of leaked *refrigerant*.

Section 7.3.3

For refrigeration systems that do have a *refrigerant detector* but do not have ventilation, the airflow will mix leaked *refrigerant* throughout the spaces connected to ductwork; therefore, the volume of all rooms connected by ductwork is used.

Section 7.3.4

For refrigeration systems with *refrigerant* detection and ventilation, circulation will distribute leaked *refrigerant* throughout the rooms connected to the ductwork as well as locations connected to the ventilation.

Figure 7-1 Refrigerant system charge limit compliance path – Part 1

