

**INTERPRETATION IC 15.2-2024-1 OF
ANSI/ASHRAE STANDARD 15.2-2024
SAFETY STANDARD FOR REFRIGERATION SYSTEMS**

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Reference: This request for interpretation refers to the requirements presented in ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 15.2-2024

Section: 8.5.1.2 f

Background: Section 8.5.1.2.f prohibits refrigerant piping inside an air duct or return air plenum. Typically, our air handlers are installed on an open stand in a closet.

Interpretation No.1:

ASHRAE 15.2 does not prohibit the installation of a free return air handler in a closet where the return air enters the closet through an unducted opening.

Question No.1: Is this Interpretation correct?

Answer No.1: Yes

Comments No.1: A closet does not meet the definition of a plenum, as defined by ASHRAE 15.2.