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Dear Electrical Subcode Official:

This letter is intended as guidance for local enforcing agencies regarding the acceptance of products that fall within the category of "Meter Accessories" or more commonly known as Meter Collar Adapters.

The regulations allow for the approval of new products "consistent with the reasonable requirements for the health, safety and welfare of occupants or users of buildings and structures" (N.J.A.C. 5:23-1.3). The Department has determined that these products do not compromise the intent of this section.

Electrical subcode officials are instructed to approve these products provided they meet all the following criteria:

- Product has a valid nationally recognized testing laboratory (NRTL) listing/certification.
- Has been approved by the providing utility company.
- Product has been installed per manufacturer's installation instructions.
- If a pressure connector is involved as part of the installation instructions method, such connector shall meet the requirements of article 230.46 of the electrical subcode, 2020 National Electrical Code (NEC).
- Ensure that the overcurrent protection device (OCPD) meets or exceeds the available fault current at its terminals.
- Shall be identified as required by the electrical subcode in accordance with articles 705 and 706, as applicable.

Should you require further guidance, please contact the Code Assistance Unit at (609) 984-7609.

Sincerely,

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