Fort Collins Utilities' Home Efficiency Program Combustion Safety Testing (CST) Process

Audit CST Process:

- Auditor performs the following tests:
 - 1. Carbon Monoxide (CO) Test in vent pipe
 - 2. Spillage and Draft Test
- Auditor records results on audit data sheet for installation contractor's use.
- Auditor will follow Building Performance Institute's (BPI) Combustion Safety Test Action Levels:

CO Test Result*	And/ Or	Spillage and Draft Test Results	Retrofit Action
0-25 ppm	And	Fails at worst case only	Recommend that spillage problem be fixed. Have owner sign disclosure form.
26-100 ppm	And	Passes	Recommend that the CO problem be fixed. Have owner sign disclosure form.
26-100 ppm	And	Fails at worst case only	Recommend that the CO and spillage problem be fixed. Auditor will install CO detector** and have owner sign disclosure form.
100-400 ppm	Or	Fails under natural conditions	Work may not proceed until the system is serviced and the problem is corrected. Auditor will install the CO detector** and have owner sign disclosure form.
> 400 ppm	And	Passes	Work may not proceed until the system is serviced and the CO problem is corrected. Have owner sign disclosure form.
> 400 ppm	And	Fails under any condition	Turn off the appliance, have the owner call for service immediately and sign disclosure form. Auditor will install the CO detector.**
> 35 ppm ambient CO in breathing zone	_	During natural conditions test	Abort the test. Turn off the appliance, ventilate the space and evacuate the building. Have the homeowner call for service immediately and sign disclosure form. Auditor will install CO detector** after CO is removed.

*CO measurements for undiluted flue gases in the vent at steady state.

** unless CO detector is currently installed on premises.

Post-Installation CST Process:

Installation contractor performs Worst Case Depressurization and Spillage Test as well as Spillage Test under Natural Conditions (see reverse for flow chart) after the following installations:

- Air sealing
- Conditioned crawl space insulation
- Basement wall insulation
- Exterior frame wall insulation
- Masonry exterior wall insulation
- Attic insulation
- Gas furnace replacement
- Gas boiler replacement
- Replacement water heater
- Mechanical ventilation
- Duct sealing

Post-Installation CST Process, continued

Installation contractor performs these tests and follows the indicated actions:



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