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Question: 7 - NFPA 13

Per NFPA 13, the sectional valve assemblies count as a sprinkler system, and every sprinkler system is supposed to have an air vent installed at the highest point of the system. Is the highest point of each system known or available for bidding purposes? And is the preference for the air vent to be manual or automatic?

Answer

Contractor shall assume that each valve assembly is not necessarily a highest point and therefore shall not need to be vented. It shall not be assumed that the entire fire suppression system is subject to construction. For bidding purposes, contractors shall only consider construction limits described within the construction documents. Contractors can document their concerns on the existing fire suppression system and the VA, who is the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ), will review the contractors concerns.

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Question: 11 - Commissioning Agent

Spec Section 21 08 00 Part 1.1.B states that the Commissioning Agent (CxA) is appointed by the VA. Is the VA contracting the CxA under a separate contract and taking responsibility for that cost outside of this contract?

Answer

Commissioning is not a requirement for this project.