



# DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

TO: Development Services Customers

SUBJECT: **INFORMATION BULLETIN # 249**  
Arc Energy Reduction Inspection Letter NEC 240.67(C) or 240.87(C)

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**Purpose:**

As a customer service initiative, the Development Services Department (DSD) created this Information Bulletin (IB) on the required submittals for the Arc Energy Reduction inspection. This IB is to assist customers by providing a standard letter format to comply with the provisions of 2023 NEC 240.67(C) and 240.87(C).

**Scope:**

This IB is to provide clarification and assistance to the Owner, General contractor, or Electrical Contractor when submitting an acceptable Arc Reduction letter to DSD. Since a written record of the performed test is required per NEC 240.67(C) (fuses) or 240.87(C) (circuit breakers) to be provided to the Authority Having Jurisdiction for overcurrent devices rated 1200 Amps or higher once installed on site, this certification letter is required from a qualified testing company, with either a licensed professional engineer's seal or proof of qualifying certification.

The Arc Energy Reduction letter shall be submitted to DSD before any electrical TOPS Inspection approval, Final Inspection approval, or Certificate of Occupancy is issued. Please see the attached form that is to be used to be submitted to resolve the Arc Energy Reduction Inspection. Please upload letter to the combination building permit or stand-alone electrical permit where such equipment is installed.

Should you have any questions regarding this Information Bulletin, please contact the Electrical Inspections Supervisor at (210) 207-8286.

This Information Bulletin is for informational purposes only.

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## ARC ENERGY REDUCTION LETTER

Address:		A.P. Number:
Size of Overcurrent Device:		
Test Report Performed By:		
Date of Installation and test:		
Location of Tested Overcurrent Device:		
240.67(A)/240.87(A) Documentation shall be available to those authorized to designed, install, operate, or inspect the installation as to the location of the circuit breakers. Documentation shall also be proved to demonstrate that the Method chosen to reduce clearing time is set to operate at the value below the available arcing current.		
Select All that applies for Compliance to 240.67(A)/240.87(B) National Electrical Code		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Zone-selective Interlocking	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Differential relaying	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Energy-reducing maintenance switching with local status indicator	
<input type="checkbox"/>	An instantaneous trip setting. Temporary adjustment of the instantaneous trip setting to achieve arc energy reduction shall not be permitted	
<input type="checkbox"/>	An instantaneous override	
<input type="checkbox"/>	An approved equivalent means. Please indicate alternative means.	

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print or type), as the Qualified Person Performing the Test for the above permit, certify that work and test was performed on site and comply with NEC 240.67 (A), (B), (C)/240.87(A), (B), &(C).

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**OR**

Engineer's Seal

