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As of March 18, 2008 all occupancies in the Town of Andover, MA that were required to meet the new carbon monoxide protection required for “Other Transient Residential, Institutional, and Day Care Center Use Groups Phase II” as defined by 527 CMR 31.00 are now compliant.

All Phase II occupancies that were required to become compliant prior to January 1, 2008 or face penalties include hotels, motels, institutions/nursing homes, and day care facilities.

Phase I occupancies which included all residential units and enclosed parking facilities had to be compliant by January 1, 2007

This law is commonly referred to as Nicole’s Law.

Andover Fire Rescue would like to thank the twenty-six business owners and their representatives for their cooperation and diligence in becoming compliant by meeting the new regulation in addition to their investment in maintaining the safety of their clients and staff.

Andover Fire Rescue took a proactive approach to ensuring early compliance by all required businesses to the new regulation by offering two informational seminars delivered by Fire Prevention LT. Todd Pomerleau in May 2007. The informational seminars were well attended by representatives of those occupancies that were affected.

The Andover Fire Rescue initiative has paid off by being one of the first communities in the Commonwealth to ensure complete compliance of this newly implemented law, and keeping those that live, visit and stay at these facilities safe from the effects of carbon monoxide.