

INFORMATION MEMORANDUM 97-X-65 (Revised)

TO: All OSH Compliance Personnel

FROM: William M. Lybrand, Administrator of OSH

SUBJECT: Acceptability of "Sensing-Saf-Start" Product Under Sections 1910.213(b)(3), 1910.217(b)(8)(iii), 1910.262(c)(1), and 1917.151(b)(6)

DATE: January 15, 1997

PURPOSE

This memorandum clarifies the acceptability of a particular product, now available, in meeting the requirements of Sections 1910.213(b)(3), 1910.217(b)(i)(iii), 1910.262(c)(1), and 1917.151(b)(6).

BACKGROUND

Sections 1910.213(b)(3), 1910.217(b)(8)(iii), 1910.262(c)(1), and 1917.151(b)(6) require that machinery must be prevented from automatically restarting on restoration of power after a power failure. Normally, this is accomplished by providing a magnetic motor starter. The "Sensing-Saf-Start" product for use on small machines may provide a less expensive way to comply with the above requirements.

INTERPRETATION

If the "Sensing-Saf-Start" product is used on small machines operating at 120 and 240 volts within the horsepower and/or ampere ratings shown on the attached literature, then such devices can be used to provide the results required under Sections 1910.213(b)(3), 1910.217(b)(8)(iii), 1910.262(c)(1), and 1917.151(b)(6). Such information should be brought to the employer's attention during the inspection.

EFFECTIVE

This memorandum is effective upon receipt and will remain in effect until cancelled or superseded.