

## **Electrical Code Inspection Notice**

### **Use of Panelboards to subdivide the main consumer's service**

**Effective immediately, the use of distribution panelboards to subdivide main consumers' services will not be accepted by Manitoba Hydro, Electrical Codes & Standards.**

Rule 6-202 of the Electrical Code states that “**each subdivision of the main consumer's service shall be provided with a separate service box, or equivalent multi-service equipment shall be used.**” Panelboards, including CDPs, are not approved as equivalent multi-service equipment.

#### **Supplemental information:**

#### **Excerpt from the Canadian Electrical Code Part I, CSA22.1-06 Appendix I — Interpretations approved since publication of the 2002 Code**

##### **Rule 6-202**

**Question:** Is a Central Distribution Panelboard (CDP) an acceptable piece of equipment for use to subdivide the main consumer's service? Example: Supplying metered feeders to individual bays in warehouses and similar types of occupancies.

**Answer:** No.

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Please contact Manitoba Hydro's Electrical Codes and Standards Department for all multi-service customer metering installations.

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