



THE CITY OF REDMOND  
FIRE DEPARTMENT - PREVENTION DIVISION  
**Redmond Fire Department Standard  
Administrative Ruling / Interpretation**



**Code Section: RFDS 9.8**

**Code Edition: Current**

**Title: Central Station Service Alternative**

**Date April 19, 2010**

**Statement of Need:**

**In providing Central Station Service, third party verification is typically provided by a listing agency. There are certain situations where a building owner may be able to provide equivalent or better confirmation of fire alarm system servicing through a contractual relationship with a sole company hired to manage their fire alarm systems. This ruling identifies the criteria required for this alternate method to be approved.**

**Ruling/Interpretation**

- A. The company shall own, maintain, and operate a UUFX listed Central Station located within the City of Redmond, and provide at a minimum:**
- 1. Alarm, supervisory, and trouble signal monitoring**
  - 2. Signal retransmission**
  - 3. Associated record keeping and reporting**
  - 4. Runner service (directly or by contract)**
- B. The company shall maintain a contractual relationship with a single provider, designated herein as the Fire Alarm Service Contractor (FASC) to manage all other required service elements and meet the requirements of RFDS 9.5.8 for all their fire alarm systems.**
- C. The FASC shall be the company's sole contractor providing central station service elements (not provided by the central station) either through its own personnel or through contracts with listed and approved fire alarm service companies for the following:**
- 1. Installation**
  - 2. Testing and maintenance**
  - 3. Runner service (Unless provided by the UUFX Central Station)**

- D. The FASC shall obtain an annual Fire Code, Fire Alarm System, Operational Permit for every fire alarm system that uses this method. The permit application shall designate the responsible parties for every element of central station service and the current contact information for each, including off hour contact information. The permit application will also serve as the FASC's declaration to RFD that the fire alarm system is in good working order, meets NFPA 72 requirements for testing and maintenance, and provides RFD with authorization to make site inspections to confirm compliance with central station service requirements and this administrative ruling.**
- E. Failure to maintain compliance with the requirements of this administrative ruling may cause the revocation by the Fire Marshal of permits authorizing this alternate method.**

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**Dated: April 19, 2010**