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Reference: This request for interpretation refers to the change of requirements presented in ANSI/ASHRAE Addendum *l* to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 135-2008, Section 1 and ANSI/ASHRAE Addendum *v* to ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 135-2008, Section 3, relating to the support of the BIBB NM-CE-A in the device profile B-AWS.

Background:
In Addendum 135-2008*l* an additional device profile B-AWS is specified for an advanced workstation. The BIBBs of the B-OWS device profile are reduced to get a device profile with limited capabilities in relation to B-AWS. With this the BIBB NM-CE-A was moved from B-OWS to B-AWS together with other BIBBs of the section Device & Network Mgmt (e.g. DM-DCC-A, DM-BR-A, ..).

In Addendum 135-2008*v* Section 3 the BIBB NM-CE-A shall be removed from the device profiles because of the following reason (see rationale): 'The PTP connection establishment mechanism has identified deficiencies in certain situations. Until those deficiencies are addressed, the requirement for the inclusion of the PTP connection establishment BIBBs is removed.

It is not obvious if the BIBB NM-CE-A has to be supported for the device profile B-AWS or not.

Interpretation: The BIBB NM-CE-A is not required for the device profile B-AWS.
It is not intended to keep or reintroduce the BIBB NM-CE-A for the device profile B-AWS. Even it is not explicitly stated in Addendum 135-2008*v* Section 3, removing the BIBB NM-CE-A has to be applied to all device profiles. Neither the rational nor the change to the table implies a restriction for specific device profiles.

Question: Is this interpretation correct?

Answer: Yes.