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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee FP/2, Fire Detection, Warning, Control and Intercom Systems.

This Standard is a result of a consensus among representatives on the Joint Committee to produce it as an Australian Standard.

This Standard sets down minimum performance requirements for a network used to monitor automatic fire detection and alarm systems using the communications protocol defined in AS 4418.2, *Supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA)—Generic telecommunications interface and protocol*, Part 2: *Fire alarm systems*. This Standard has been published for the use of equipment manufacturers and monitoring service providers in the fire industry; however, other industry groups may find the performance requirements applicable.

AS 4418.2 has been prepared to be consistent with requirements developed by IEC and published in the IEC 870 series of International Standards, *Telecontrol equipment and systems*.

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SECTION 1 SCOPE AND GENERAL

1.1 SCOPE This Standard sets out performance requirements for fire alarm monitoring networks using the telecommunications protocol defined in AS 4418.2.

1.2 APPLICATION The performance requirements of this Standard are applicable to supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) networks for fire alarm monitoring applications.

NOTE: See Appendix A for system overview.

The performance requirements for both permanently connected controlled stations and non-permanently connected controlled stations are specified.

NOTE: Non-permanently connected controlled stations are not considered adequate for installations required to be monitored under the Building Code of Australia.

1.3 REFERENCED AND RELATED DOCUMENTS

1.3.1 Referenced documents The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

AS

2484 Fire—Glossary of terms

2484.2 Part 2: Fire protection and firefighting equipment

AS/NZS

4418 Supervisory control and data acquisition—Generic telecommunications interface and protocol

4418.2 Part 2: Fire alarm systems

IEC

870 Telecontrol equipment and systems

870-4 Part 4: Performance requirements

870-5-5 Part 5: Transmission protocols—Section 5: Basic application functions

1.3.2 Related documents Attention is drawn to the following related documents:

IEC

870 Telecontrol equipment and systems

870-1-1 Part 1: General considerations—Section 1: General principles

870-1-2 Part 1: General considerations—Section 2: Guide for specifications

870-1-3 Part 1: General considerations—Section 3: Glossary

870-1-4 Part 1: General considerations—Section 4: Basic aspects of telecontrol data transmission and organization of standards IEC 870-5 and IEC 870-6

IEC

870-2-1 Part 2: Operating conditions—Section 1: Environmental conditions and power supplies

870-3 Part 3: Interfaces (electrical characteristics)



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