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Oregon OSHA - Adopted Changes Portable Fire Extinguisher Rules in General Industry

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RULE CAPTION

Adopt changes to Portable Fire Extinguishers in General Industry.
Not more than 15 words that reasonably identifies the subject matter of the agency's intended action.

RULEMAKING ACTION

ADOPT: OAR 437-002-0187

AMEND: OAR 437-002-0180

RULE SUMMARY

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