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Dear Mr. Corbin:

This is in response to your letter about ladders and roof hatches.

Oregon OSHA has no rule requiring a pop-up extension on the ladder you described. OAR 437-002-0027(4)(g) is our only rule on the subject of roof hatch access. The rule does not require step through ladders nor any pop-up extensions. Normally, newer installations have a handle on the hatch cover that people can use for stability. Otherwise, there is usually a rim around the opening that can serve as a grab point.

For further information contact OR-OSHA's Technical Section (503) 378-3272. You're invited to see the OR-OSHA pages on the Internet at www.orosha.org.

Sincerely,

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