

**Bauske, Shelly A.**

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**From:** Gallion, Joshua C.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2015 8:24 AM  
**To:** Grangaard, Wayne  
**Cc:** Bauske, Shelly A.  
**Subject:** RE: 36" around a hopper scale

Wayne,

Thanks for taking a look at this scale. Can you contact Mike w/ Prairie Scales to inform him of the situation? I think he should understand that the installation didn't meet our rules and that a variance should have been requested and approved before Prairie Scales tested and approved the device.

Mike's Phone #: 701-318-0689

Thanks,  
Josh

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**From:** Grangaard, Wayne  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 22, 2015 8:14 AM  
**To:** Gallion, Joshua C. <[jcgallion@nd.gov](mailto:jcgallion@nd.gov)>  
**Cc:** Bauske, Shelly A. <[sbauske@nd.gov](mailto:sbauske@nd.gov)>  
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On Wednesday 10/21/15 I looked at the scale and found that it did not have the required clearance. I spoke to Orion the operator who said a contractor (D&I, ?), put it in and not a scale service. It does have Prairie Scales approval sticker dated 10/15 on it (pic1). I can see why they wanted to put it where it is due the lack of available space where it's at. It's bolted down, which is good, because there is no room for movement above.

I don't believe the clearance issue will affect the accuracy. I would recommend a variance if one is deemed needed.

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**From:** Gallion, Joshua C.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2015 3:46 PM  
**To:** Bauske, Shelly A.  
**Cc:** Grangaard, Wayne  
**Subject:** RE: 36" around a hopper scale

Maybe Wayne should look at this one while he doesn't have a truck.

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**From:** Bauske, Shelly A.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2015 10:25 AM  
**To:** Gallion, Joshua C. <[jcgallion@nd.gov](mailto:jcgallion@nd.gov)>  
**Cc:** Grangaard, Wayne <[wgrangaard@nd.gov](mailto:wgrangaard@nd.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: 36" around a hopper scale

Hi Josh

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**Variance permit investigation report**

The clearance rule is found in Section 69-10-02-26.

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**From:** Bill Bernstein [<mailto:billb@prairiescale.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2015 10:19 AM  
**To:** Bauske, Shelly A.  
**Subject:** 36" around a hopper scale

Hi Shelly, the Northwood Equity Elev. fertilizer dept. has installed a new scale hopper but did not leave enough clearance around it, will they need to apply for a variance? They put it in a corner and have about 12" clearance, it can be tested from the front but we will not be able to get weights to the back. Can this be placed in service prior to having a variance? Mike berg has showed them the rule on the clearance. Please let us know how to proceed.  
Thanks,

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