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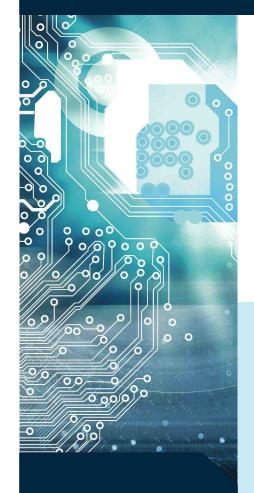
- * Revising the purpose rule to include only the safeguarding of persons and utility facilities and clarifying the application rules
- * Deleting unused definitions and adding definitions for communication and supply space
- * Revising the substation impenetrable fence requirements
- * Adding an exception to exempt underground cable grounding requirements from the 4 grounds in each mile rule under certain conditions
- * Revising and reorganizing the guy insulator placement rules along with eliminating the voltage transfer requirements associated with them
- * Requiring a 40" vertical clearance from communication cables in the communication space if a luminaire is not effectively grounded
- * Deleting the conductance requirement for underground insulating jacketed grounded neutral supply cables and revising the grounding and bonding rules for supply and communication cables in random separation installations
- * Revising and reorganizing the Grades of Construction Table 242-1 that will now include service drops

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