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Jeff Marsh
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RE: ADA compliance of "Naturals2Go" vending machine
FORCON #: GA21399

Mr. Marsh:

You hired Forcon to evaluate the ADA compliance of the "Naturals2Go" vending machine. Photographs provided by you (see page 2) show that the coin return on one such machine has its opening between 11 and 14 inches from the floor.

The ADA Accessibility Guidelines, which date from 2004, establish the following:

- Section 106.5 defines *operable part* as: "A component of an element used to insert or withdraw objects, or to activate, deactivate, or adjust the element."
- Section 309.3 states that "Operable parts shall be placed within one or more of the reach ranges specified in 308."
- Under Section 308 Reach Ranges, sections 308.2 (Forward Reach) and 308.3 (Side Reach) both establish that the minimum height of elements (here, operable parts) is 15 inches.

This 15 inch minimum height would be the minimum height for graspable coins in a coin return, not just some part of the perimeter of the coin return opening. The "Naturals2Go" machine depicted in the provided photos is not compliant with this ADA requirement.

Please contact me with any questions.

Regards,

John Leffler, PE



