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INTERPRETATIONS

Interpretations are issued in real time in ASME's Interpretations Database at <http://go.asme.org/Interpretations>. Historical BPVC interpretations may also be found in the Database.

CODE CASES

The Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code committees meet regularly to consider proposed additions and revisions to the Code and to formulate Cases to clarify the intent of existing requirements or provide, when the need is urgent, rules for materials or constructions not covered by existing Code rules. Those Cases that have been adopted will appear in the appropriate 2017 Code Cases book: "Boilers and Pressure Vessels" or "Nuclear Components." Supplements will be sent or made available automatically to the purchasers of the Code Cases books up to the publication of the 2019 Code.

FOREWORD*

In 1911, The American Society of Mechanical Engineers established the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Committee to formulate standard rules for the construction of steam boilers and other pressure vessels. In 2009, the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Committee was superseded by the following committees:

- (a) Committee on Power Boilers (I)
- (b) Committee on Materials (II)
- (c) Committee on Construction of Nuclear Facility Components (III)
- (d) Committee on Heating Boilers (IV)
- (e) Committee on Nondestructive Examination (V)
- (f) Committee on Pressure Vessels (VIII)
- (g) Committee on Welding, Brazing, and Fusing (IX)
- (h) Committee on Fiber-Reinforced Plastic Pressure Vessels (X)
- (i) Committee on Nuclear Inservice Inspection (XI)
- (j) Committee on Transport Tanks (XII)
- (k) Technical Oversight Management Committee (TOMC)

Where reference is made to “the Committee” in this Foreword, each of these committees is included individually and collectively.

The Committee’s function is to establish rules of safety relating only to pressure integrity, which govern the construction** of boilers, pressure vessels, transport tanks, and nuclear components, and the inservice inspection of nuclear components and transport tanks. The Committee also interprets these rules when questions arise regarding their intent. The technical consistency of the Sections of the Code and coordination of standards development activities of the Committees is supported and guided by the Technical Oversight Management Committee. This Code does not address other safety issues relating to the construction of boilers, pressure vessels, transport tanks, or nuclear components, or the inservice inspection of nuclear components or transport tanks. Users of the Code should refer to the pertinent codes, standards, laws, regulations, or other relevant documents for safety issues other than those relating to pressure integrity. Except for Sections XI and XII, and with a few other exceptions, the rules do not, of practical necessity, reflect the likelihood and consequences of deterioration in service related to specific service fluids or external operating environments. In formulating the rules, the Committee considers the needs of users, manufacturers, and inspectors of pressure vessels. The objective of the rules is to afford reasonably certain protection of life and property, and to provide a margin for deterioration in service to give a reasonably long, safe period of usefulness. Advancements in design and materials and evidence of experience have been recognized.

This Code contains mandatory requirements, specific prohibitions, and nonmandatory guidance for construction activities and inservice inspection and testing activities. The Code does not address all aspects of these activities and those aspects that are not specifically addressed should not be considered prohibited. The Code is not a handbook and cannot replace education, experience, and the use of engineering judgment. The phrase *engineering judgment* refers to technical judgments made by knowledgeable engineers experienced in the application of the Code. Engineering judgments must be consistent with Code philosophy, and such judgments must never be used to overrule mandatory requirements or specific prohibitions of the Code.

The Committee recognizes that tools and techniques used for design and analysis change as technology progresses and expects engineers to use good judgment in the application of these tools. The designer is responsible for complying with Code rules and demonstrating compliance with Code equations when such equations are mandatory. The Code neither requires nor prohibits the use of computers for the design or analysis of components constructed to the

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** *Construction*, as used in this Foreword, is an all-inclusive term comprising materials, design, fabrication, examination, inspection, testing, certification, and pressure relief.

requirements of the Code. However, designers and engineers using computer programs for design or analysis are cautioned that they are responsible for all technical assumptions inherent in the programs they use and the application of these programs to their design.

The rules established by the Committee are not to be interpreted as approving, recommending, or endorsing any proprietary or specific design, or as limiting in any way the manufacturer's freedom to choose any method of design or any form of construction that conforms to the Code rules.

The Committee meets regularly to consider revisions of the rules, new rules as dictated by technological development, Code Cases, and requests for interpretations. Only the Committee has the authority to provide official interpretations of this Code. Requests for revisions, new rules, Code Cases, or interpretations shall be addressed to the Secretary in writing and shall give full particulars in order to receive consideration and action (see Submittal of Technical Inquiries to the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Standards Committees). Proposed revisions to the Code resulting from inquiries will be presented to the Committee for appropriate action. The action of the Committee becomes effective only after confirmation by ballot of the Committee and approval by ASME. Proposed revisions to the Code approved by the Committee are submitted to the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and published at <http://go.asme.org/BPVCPublicReview> to invite comments from all interested persons. After public review and final approval by ASME, revisions are published at regular intervals in Editions of the Code.

The Committee does not rule on whether a component shall or shall not be constructed to the provisions of the Code. The scope of each Section has been established to identify the components and parameters considered by the Committee in formulating the Code rules.

Questions or issues regarding compliance of a specific component with the Code rules are to be directed to the ASME Certificate Holder (Manufacturer). Inquiries concerning the interpretation of the Code are to be directed to the Committee. ASME is to be notified should questions arise concerning improper use of an ASME Certification Mark.

When required by context in this Section, the singular shall be interpreted as the plural, and vice versa, and the feminine, masculine, or neuter gender shall be treated as such other gender as appropriate.

STATEMENT OF POLICY ON THE USE OF THE CERTIFICATION MARK AND CODE AUTHORIZATION IN ADVERTISING

ASME has established procedures to authorize qualified organizations to perform various activities in accordance with the requirements of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code. It is the aim of the Society to provide recognition of organizations so authorized. An organization holding authorization to perform various activities in accordance with the requirements of the Code may state this capability in its advertising literature.

Organizations that are authorized to use the Certification Mark for marking items or constructions that have been constructed and inspected in compliance with the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code are issued Certificates of Authorization. It is the aim of the Society to maintain the standing of the Certification Mark for the benefit of the users, the enforcement jurisdictions, and the holders of the Certification Mark who comply with all requirements.

Based on these objectives, the following policy has been established on the usage in advertising of facsimiles of the Certification Mark, Certificates of Authorization, and reference to Code construction. The American Society of Mechanical Engineers does not “approve,” “certify,” “rate,” or “endorse” any item, construction, or activity and there shall be no statements or implications that might so indicate. An organization holding the Certification Mark and/or a Certificate of Authorization may state in advertising literature that items, constructions, or activities “are built (produced or performed) or activities conducted in accordance with the requirements of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code,” or “meet the requirements of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code.” An ASME corporate logo shall not be used by any organization other than ASME.

The Certification Mark shall be used only for stamping and nameplates as specifically provided in the Code. However, facsimiles may be used for the purpose of fostering the use of such construction. Such usage may be by an association or a society, or by a holder of the Certification Mark who may also use the facsimile in advertising to show that clearly specified items will carry the Certification Mark. General usage is permitted only when all of a manufacturer’s items are constructed under the rules.

STATEMENT OF POLICY ON THE USE OF ASME MARKING TO IDENTIFY MANUFACTURED ITEMS

The ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code provides rules for the construction of boilers, pressure vessels, and nuclear components. This includes requirements for materials, design, fabrication, examination, inspection, and stamping. Items constructed in accordance with all of the applicable rules of the Code are identified with the official Certification Mark described in the governing Section of the Code.

Markings such as “ASME,” “ASME Standard,” or any other marking including “ASME” or the Certification Mark shall not be used on any item that is not constructed in accordance with all of the applicable requirements of the Code.

Items shall not be described on ASME Data Report Forms nor on similar forms referring to ASME that tend to imply that all Code requirements have been met when, in fact, they have not been. Data Report Forms covering items not fully complying with ASME requirements should not refer to ASME or they should clearly identify all exceptions to the ASME requirements.

SUBMITTAL OF TECHNICAL INQUIRIES TO THE BOILER AND PRESSURE VESSEL STANDARDS COMMITTEES (17)

1 INTRODUCTION

(a) The following information provides guidance to Code users for submitting technical inquiries to the applicable Boiler and Pressure Vessel (BPV) Standards Committee (hereinafter referred to as the Committee). See the guidelines on approval of new materials under the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code in Section II, Part D for requirements for requests that involve adding new materials to the Code. See the guidelines on approval of new welding and brazing materials in Section II, Part C for requirements for requests that involve adding new welding and brazing materials (“consumables”) to the Code.

Technical inquiries can include requests for revisions or additions to the Code requirements, requests for Code Cases, or requests for Code Interpretations, as described below:

(1) *Code Revisions.* Code revisions are considered to accommodate technological developments, to address administrative requirements, to incorporate Code Cases, or to clarify Code intent.

(2) *Code Cases.* Code Cases represent alternatives or additions to existing Code requirements. Code Cases are written as a Question and Reply, and are usually intended to be incorporated into the Code at a later date. When used, Code Cases prescribe mandatory requirements in the same sense as the text of the Code. However, users are cautioned that not all regulators, jurisdictions, or Owners automatically accept Code Cases. The most common applications for Code Cases are as follows:

(-a) to permit early implementation of an approved Code revision based on an urgent need

(-b) to permit use of a new material for Code construction

(-c) to gain experience with new materials or alternative requirements prior to incorporation directly into the Code

(3) *Code Interpretations*

(-a) Code Interpretations provide clarification of the meaning of existing requirements in the Code and are presented in Inquiry and Reply format. Interpretations do not introduce new requirements.

(-b) If existing Code text does not fully convey the meaning that was intended, or conveys conflicting requirements, and revision of the requirements is required to support the Interpretation, an Intent Interpretation will be issued in parallel with a revision to the Code.

(b) Code requirements, Code Cases, and Code Interpretations established by the Committee are not to be considered as approving, recommending, certifying, or endorsing any proprietary or specific design, or as limiting in any way the freedom of manufacturers, constructors, or Owners to choose any method of design or any form of construction that conforms to the Code requirements.

(c) Inquiries that do not comply with the following guidance or that do not provide sufficient information for the Committee’s full understanding may result in the request being returned to the Inquirer with no action.

2 INQUIRY FORMAT

Submittals to the Committee should include the following information:

(a) *Purpose.* Specify one of the following:

(1) request for revision of present Code requirements

(2) request for new or additional Code requirements

(3) request for Code Case

(4) request for Code Interpretation

(b) *Background.* The Inquirer should provide the information needed for the Committee’s understanding of the Inquiry, being sure to include reference to the applicable Code Section, Division, Edition, Addenda (if applicable), paragraphs, figures, and tables. Preferably, the Inquirer should provide a copy of, or relevant extracts from, the specific referenced portions of the Code.

(c) *Presentations.* The Inquirer may desire to attend or be asked to attend a meeting of the Committee to make a formal presentation or to answer questions from the Committee members with regard to the Inquiry. Attendance at a BPV Standards Committee meeting shall be at the expense of the Inquirer. The Inquirer's attendance or lack of attendance at a meeting will not be used by the Committee as a basis for acceptance or rejection of the Inquiry by the Committee. However, if the Inquirer's request is unclear, attendance by the Inquirer or a representative may be necessary for the Committee to understand the request sufficiently to be able to provide an Interpretation. If the Inquirer desires to make a presentation at a Committee meeting, the Inquirer should provide advance notice to the Committee Secretary, to ensure time will be allotted for the presentation in the meeting agenda. The Inquirer should consider the need for additional audiovisual equipment that might not otherwise be provided by the Committee. With sufficient advance notice to the Committee Secretary, such equipment may be made available.

3 CODE REVISIONS OR ADDITIONS

Requests for Code revisions or additions should include the following information:

(a) *Requested Revisions or Additions.* For requested revisions, the Inquirer should identify those requirements of the Code that they believe should be revised, and should submit a copy of, or relevant extracts from, the appropriate requirements as they appear in the Code, marked up with the requested revision. For requested additions to the Code, the Inquirer should provide the recommended wording and should clearly indicate where they believe the additions should be located in the Code requirements.

(b) *Statement of Need.* The Inquirer should provide a brief explanation of the need for the revision or addition.

(c) *Background Information.* The Inquirer should provide background information to support the revision or addition, including any data or changes in technology that form the basis for the request, that will allow the Committee to adequately evaluate the requested revision or addition. Sketches, tables, figures, and graphs should be submitted, as appropriate. The Inquirer should identify any pertinent portions of the Code that would be affected by the revision or addition and any portions of the Code that reference the requested revised or added paragraphs.

4 CODE CASES

Requests for Code Cases should be accompanied by a statement of need and background information similar to that described in 3(b) and 3(c), respectively, for Code revisions or additions. The urgency of the Code Case (e.g., project underway or imminent, new procedure) should be described. In addition, it is important that the request is in connection with equipment that will bear the Certification Mark, with the exception of Section XI applications. The proposed Code Case should identify the Code Section and Division, and should be written as a Question and a Reply, in the same format as existing Code Cases. Requests for Code Cases should also indicate the applicable Code Editions and Addenda (if applicable) to which the requested Code Case applies.

5 CODE INTERPRETATIONS

(a) Requests for Code Interpretations should be accompanied by the following information:

(1) *Inquiry.* The Inquirer should propose a condensed and precise Inquiry, omitting superfluous background information and, when possible, composing the Inquiry in such a way that a "yes" or a "no" Reply, with brief limitations or conditions, if needed, can be provided by the Committee. The proposed question should be technically and editorially correct.

(2) *Reply.* The Inquirer should propose a Reply that clearly and concisely answers the proposed Inquiry question. Preferably, the Reply should be "yes" or "no," with brief limitations or conditions, if needed.

(3) *Background Information.* The Inquirer should provide any need or background information, such as described in 3(b) and 3(c), respectively, for Code revisions or additions, that will assist the Committee in understanding the proposed Inquiry and Reply.

If the Inquirer believes a revision of the Code requirements would be helpful to support the Interpretation, the Inquirer may propose such a revision for consideration by the Committee. In most cases, such a proposal is not necessary.

(b) Requests for Code Interpretations should be limited to an Interpretation of a particular requirement in the Code or in a Code Case. Except with regard to interpreting a specific Code requirement, the Committee is not permitted to consider consulting-type requests such as the following:

(1) a review of calculations, design drawings, welding qualifications, or descriptions of equipment or parts to determine compliance with Code requirements

- (2) a request for assistance in performing any Code-prescribed functions relating to, but not limited to, material selection, designs, calculations, fabrication, inspection, pressure testing, or installation
- (3) a request seeking the rationale for Code requirements

6 SUBMITTALS

(a) *Submittal.* Requests for Code Interpretation should preferably be submitted through the online Interpretation Submittal Form. The form is accessible at <http://go.asme.org/InterpretationRequest>. Upon submittal of the form, the Inquirer will receive an automatic e-mail confirming receipt. If the Inquirer is unable to use the online form, the Inquirer may mail the request to the following address:

Secretary
ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Committee
Two Park Avenue
New York, NY 10016-5990

All other Inquiries should be mailed to the Secretary of the BPV Committee at the address above. Inquiries are unlikely to receive a response if they are not written in clear, legible English. They must also include the name of the Inquirer and the company they represent or are employed by, if applicable, and the Inquirer's address, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address, if available.

(b) *Response.* The Secretary of the appropriate Committee will provide a written response, via letter or e-mail, as appropriate, to the Inquirer, upon completion of the requested action by the Committee. Inquirers may track the status of their Interpretation Request at <http://go.asme.org/Interpretations>.

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INTRODUCTION

Section III appendices are referred to as either Section III Appendices or Subsection Appendices. These appendices are further designated as either mandatory or nonmandatory for use. Mandatory Appendices are referred to in the Section III rules and contain requirements that must be followed in construction. Nonmandatory Appendices provide additional information or guidance when using Section III.

Section III Appendices are contained in this book. These appendices have the potential for multiple subsection applicability. Mandatory Appendices are designated by a Roman numeral followed, when appropriate, by Arabic numerals to indicate the various articles, subarticles, and paragraphs of the appendix, such as II-1500 or XIII-2131. Nonmandatory Appendices are designated by a capital letter followed, when appropriate, by Arabic numerals to indicate various articles, subarticles, and paragraphs of the appendix, such as D-1200 or Y-2410.

Subsection Appendices are specifically applicable to one subsection and are contained within that subsection. Subsection-specific Mandatory and Nonmandatory Appendices are numbered in the same manner as Section III Appendices but with a subsection identifier (e.g., NF, D2, HBB, etc.) preceding either the Roman numeral or the capital letter for a unique designation. For example, NF-II-1100 or NF-A-1200 would be a part of Subsection NF Mandatory Appendix NF-II or Nonmandatory Appendix NF-A, respectively. For Subsection CC, D2-IV-1120 or D2-D-1330 would be a part of Subsection CC Mandatory Appendix D2-IV or Nonmandatory Appendix D2-D, respectively.

A Reference Table ([Table 1](#)) has been developed for Section III Appendices to provide additional guidance on appendix usage for the Code user. This Reference Table, reflecting down to a Subsection level, does not take precedence over Code rules.

TABLE 1 SECTION III APPENDICES REFERENCE TABLE

(17)

Appendix Identifier	Division 1							Div. 2	Division 3				Division 5								
	Sub.							Sub.	Subsections				Subsections								
	NCA	NB	NC	ND	NE	NF	NG	CC	WA	WB	WC	HA		HB		HC		HF	HG		HH
												Sub-part A	Sub-part B	Sub-part A	Sub-part B (1)	Sub-part A	Sub-part B (1)	Sub-part A	Sub-part A	Sub-part B (1)	Sub-part A
MANDATORY APPENDICES																					
I		X			X	X	X			X				(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)	X	
II		X	X	X	X	X			X	X				(3)	X	(3)		(3)	(3)	X	
III		X			X	X	X			X				(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
IV		X												(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
V	X	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	X				(2)	X	(3)	(2)	(3)	(2)	(3)	(3)	(2)	(4)
VI		X	X	X	X		X	X		X	X			(3)	(5)	(3)		(3)	(3)		
VII	Not in use																				
VIII	Not in use																				
IX	Not in use																				
X	Not in use																				
XI		X	X	X	X					X				(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
XII														(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
XIII		X	X	X						X				(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
XV	Not in use																				

TABLE 1
SECTION III APPENDICES REFERENCE TABLE (CONT'D)

Appendix Identifier	Division 1							Div. 2	Division 3				Division 5								
	Sub.	Subsections							Sub.	Subsections				Subsections							
	NCA	NB	NC	ND	NE	NF	NG	CC	WA	WB	WC	HA		HB		HC		HF	HG		HH
												Sub-part A	Sub-part B	Sub-part A	Sub-part B (1)	Sub-part A	Sub-part B (1)	Sub-part A	Sub-part A	Sub-part B (1)	Sub-part A
MANDATORY APPENDICES																					
XVI	Not in use																				
XVII	Not in use																				
XVIII		X	X	X	X									(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
XIX			X	X										(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
XX	Not in use																				
XXI	X	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)				(2)		(3)	(2)	(3)	(2)	(3)	(3)	(2)	
XXII				X										(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
XXIII	X	X	X	X	X	(2)	(2)	(2)	X			(2)	X	(3)	(5)	(3)	(2)	(3)	(3)	(2)	(4)
XXIV									X					(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
XXV	Not in use																				
NONMANDATORY APPENDICES																					
A		X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X			(3)	X	(3)		(3)	(3)	X	
B	X	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)			(2)	X	(3)	(2)	(3)	(2)	(3)	(3)	(2)	(4)
C	X	(2)	X	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)		X	(2)	X	(3)	(2)	(3)	(2)	(3)	(3)	(2)	(4)
D		X	X	X	X	X	X	(5)		X	X			(3)	(5)	(3)		(3)	(3)		
E		X						X		X				(3)	X	(3)		(3)	(3)		
F		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X			(3)	X	(3)		(3)	(3)	X	
G	X	X	X	(2)	X	X	X	X	(2)	X	X	(2)		(3)	X	(3)	(2)	(3)	(3)	X	
H	Not in use																				
I	Not in use																				
J	Not in use																				
K	Not in use																				
L			X	X										(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
M														(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
N														(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
O														(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
P														(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
Q														(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
R			X		X					X				(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
S		X	X	X										(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
T						X								(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
U														(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
V	Not in use																				
W	X	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)			(2)		(3)	(2)	(3)	(2)	(3)	(3)	(2)	
X	Not in use																				
Y		X	X	X										(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
Z														(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
AA	X	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)			(2)	X		(3)	(2)	(3)	(2)	(3)	(3)	(2)	(4)
BB			X	X										(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)		
CC	X					(2)								(2)		(3)		(3)	(3)		

TABLE 1 SECTION III APPENDICES REFERENCE TABLE (CONT'D)

NONMANDATORY APPENDICES																				
DD	X			(2)								(2)		(3)		(3)		(3)	(3)	
EE																				
FF										X	X									

GENERAL NOTE: This reference table is not intended to provide specific Code requirements. It provides general guidance only. Mandatory and Nonmandatory Appendices marked with an 'X' in the table are specifically referred to in the identified Subsection rules. Section III Mandatory Appendices are not to be interpreted as being a requirement for all Section III Subsections. However, certain Mandatory or Nonmandatory Section III Appendices may be appropriate for use in other subsections as long as the respective subsection rules are satisfied.
 Sub. = Subsection
 Div. = Division

- NOTES:
- (1) Subpart B for Subsections HB, HC, and HG contain provisions for the use of all or portions of the rules in Division 1, Subsections NB, NC, and NG, respectively, if creep effects are negligible. In those circumstances, the reference to the Appendices is governed by the reference defined for those respective subsections of Division 1.
 - (2) The Appendix reference determined by Subsection NCA (or, for Division 5, via Subsection HA, Subpart A referencing Subsection NCA) shall apply.
 - (3) The Appendix reference determined by the referenced Division 1 Subsection shall apply.
 - (4) The Appendix reference determined by Subsection HA, Subpart B shall apply.
 - (5) The Appendix reference determined by Subsection NB shall apply.

ORGANIZATION OF SECTION III

1 GENERAL

Section III consists of Division 1, Division 2, Division 3, and Division 5. These Divisions are broken down into Subsections and are designated by capital letters preceded by the letter “N” for Division 1, by the letter “C” for Division 2, by the letter “W” for Division 3, and by the letter “H” for Division 5. Each Subsection is published separately, with the exception of those listed for Divisions 2, 3, and 5.

- Subsection NCA — General Requirements for Division 1 and Division 2
- Appendices
- Division 1^{*}
 - Subsection NB — Class 1 Components
 - Subsection NC — Class 2 Components
 - Subsection ND — Class 3 Components
 - Subsection NE — Class MC Components
 - Subsection NF — Supports
 - Subsection NG — Core Support Structures
- Division 2 — Code for Concrete Containments
 - Subsection CC — Concrete Containments
- Division 3 — Containment Systems for Transportation and Storage of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Material
 - Subsection WA — General Requirements for Division 3
 - Subsection WB — Class TC Transportation Containments
 - Subsection WC — Class SC Storage Containments
 - Subsection WD — Class ISS Internal Support Structures
- Division 5 — High Temperature Reactors
 - Subsection HA — General Requirements
 - Subpart A — Metallic Materials
 - Subpart B — Graphite Materials
 - Subpart C — Composite Materials
 - Subsection HB — Class A Metallic Pressure Boundary Components
 - Subpart A — Low Temperature Service
 - Subpart B — Elevated Temperature Service
 - Subsection HC — Class B Metallic Pressure Boundary Components
 - Subpart A — Low Temperature Service
 - Subpart B — Elevated Temperature Service
 - Subsection HF — Class A and B Metallic Supports
 - Subpart A — Low Temperature Service
 - Subsection HG — Class A Metallic Core Support Structures
 - Subpart A — Low Temperature Service
 - Subpart B — Elevated Temperature Service
 - Subsection HH — Class A Nonmetallic Core Support Structures
 - Subpart A — Graphite Materials
 - Subpart B — Composite Materials

2 SUBSECTIONS

Subsections are divided into Articles, subarticles, paragraphs, and, where necessary, subparagraphs and subsubparagraphs.

^{*} The 2015 Edition of Section III was the last edition in which Section III, Division 1, Subsection NH, *Class 1 Components in Elevated Temperature Service*, was published. The requirements located within Subsection NH were moved to Section III, Division 5, Subsection HB, Subpart B for the elevated temperature construction of Class A components.

3 ARTICLES

Articles are designated by the applicable letters indicated above for the Subsections followed by Arabic numbers, such as NB-1000. Where possible, Articles dealing with the same topics are given the same number in each Subsection, except NCA, in accordance with the following general scheme:

Article Number	Title
1000	Introduction or Scope
2000	Material
3000	Design
4000	Fabrication and Installation
5000	Examination
6000	Testing
7000	Overpressure Protection
8000	Nameplates, Stamping With Certification Mark, and Reports

The numbering of Articles and the material contained in the Articles may not, however, be consecutive. Due to the fact that the complete outline may cover phases not applicable to a particular Subsection or Article, the rules have been prepared with some gaps in the numbering.

4 SUBARTICLES

Subarticles are numbered in units of 100, such as NB-1100.

5 SUBSUBARTICLES

Subsubarticles are numbered in units of 10, such as NB-2130, and generally have no text. When a number such as NB-1110 is followed by text, it is considered a paragraph.

6 PARAGRAPHS

Paragraphs are numbered in units of 1, such as NB-2121.

7 SUBPARAGRAPHS

Subparagraphs, when they are *major* subdivisions of a paragraph, are designated by adding a decimal followed by one or more digits to the paragraph number, such as NB-1132.1. When they are *minor* subdivisions of a paragraph, subparagraphs may be designated by lowercase letters in parentheses, such as NB-2121(a).

8 SUBSUBPARAGRAPHS

Subsubparagraphs are designated by adding lowercase letters in parentheses to the *major* subparagraph numbers, such as NB-1132.1(a). When further subdivisions of *minor* subparagraphs are necessary, subsubparagraphs are designated by adding Arabic numerals in parentheses to the subparagraph designation, such as NB-2121(a)(1).

9 REFERENCES

References used within Section III generally fall into one of the following four categories:

(a) *References to Other Portions of Section III.* When a reference is made to another Article, subarticle, or paragraph, all numbers subsidiary to that reference shall be included. For example, reference to Article NB-3000 includes all material in Article NB-3000; reference to NB-3100 includes all material in subarticle NB-3100; reference to NB-3110 includes all paragraphs, NB-3111 through NB-3113.

(b) *References to Other Sections.* Other Sections referred to in Section III are the following:

(1) *Section II, Materials.* When a requirement for a material, or for the examination or testing of a material, is to be in accordance with a specification such as SA-105, SA-370, or SB-160, the reference is to material specifications in Section II. These references begin with the letter "S."

(2) *Section V, Nondestructive Examination.* Section V references begin with the letter “T” and relate to the nondestructive examination of material or welds.

(3) *Section IX, Welding and Brazing Qualifications.* Section IX references begin with the letter “Q” and relate to welding and brazing requirements.

(4) *Section XI, Rules for Inservice Inspection of Nuclear Power Plant Components.* When a reference is made to inservice inspection, the rules of Section XI shall apply.

(c) *Reference to Specifications and Standards Other Than Published in Code Sections*

(1) Specifications for examination methods and acceptance standards to be used in connection with them are published by the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM). At the time of publication of Section III, some such specifications were not included in Section II of this Code. A reference to ASTM E94 refers to the specification so designated by and published by ASTM, 100 Barr Harbor Drive, West Conshohocken, PA 19428.

(2) Dimensional standards covering products such as valves, flanges, and fittings are sponsored and published by The American Society of Mechanical Engineers and approved by the American National Standards Institute. ** When a product is to conform to such a standard, for example ASME B16.5, the standard is approved by the American National Standards Institute. The applicable year of issue is that suffixed to its numerical designation in Table NCA-7100-1, for example ASME B16.5-2003. Standards published by The American Society of Mechanical Engineers are available from ASME (<https://www.asme.org/>).

(3) Dimensional and other types of standards covering products such as valves, flanges, and fittings are also published by the Manufacturers Standardization Society of the Valve and Fittings Industry and are known as Standard Practices. When a product is required by these rules to conform to a Standard Practice, for example MSS SP-100, the Standard Practice referred to is published by the Manufacturers Standardization Society of the Valve and Fittings Industry, Inc. (MSS), 127 Park Street, NE, Vienna, VA 22180. The applicable year of issue of such a Standard Practice is that suffixed to its numerical designation in Table NCA-7100-1, for example MSS SP-89-2003.

(4) Specifications for welding and brazing materials are published by the American Welding Society (AWS), 8669 Doral Boulevard, Suite 130, Doral, FL 33166. Specifications of this type are incorporated in Section II and are identified by the AWS designation with the prefix “SF,” for example SFA-5.1.

(5) Standards applicable to the design and construction of tanks and flanges are published by the American Petroleum Institute and have designations such as API-605. When documents so designated are referred to in Section III, for example API-605-1988, they are standards published by the American Petroleum Institute and are listed in Table NCA-7100-1.

(d) *References to Appendices.* Section III uses two types of appendices that are designated as either Section III Appendices or Subsection Appendices. Either of these appendices is further designated as either Mandatory or Nonmandatory for use. Mandatory Appendices are referred to in the Section III rules and contain requirements that must be followed in construction. Nonmandatory Appendices provide additional information or guidance when using Section III.

(1) Section III Appendices are contained in a separate book titled “Appendices.” These appendices have the potential for multiple subsection applicability. Mandatory Appendices are designated by a Roman numeral followed, when appropriate, by Arabic numerals to indicate various articles, subarticles, and paragraphs of the appendix, such as II-1500 or XIII-1210. Nonmandatory Appendices are designated by a capital letter followed, when appropriate, by Arabic numerals to indicate various articles, subarticles, and paragraphs of the appendix, such as D-1200 or Y-1440.

(2) Subsection Appendices are specifically applicable to just one subsection and are contained within that subsection. Subsection-specific mandatory and nonmandatory appendices are numbered in the same manner as Section III Appendices, but with a subsection identifier (e.g., NF, NH, D2, etc.) preceding either the Roman numeral or the capital letter for a unique designation. For example, NF-II-1100 or NF-A-1200 would be part of a Subsection NF mandatory or nonmandatory appendix, respectively. For Subsection CC, D2-IV-1120 or D2-D-1330 would be part of a Subsection CC mandatory or nonmandatory appendix, respectively.

(3) It is the intent of this Section that the information provided in both Mandatory and Nonmandatory Appendices may be used to meet the rules of any Division or Subsection. In case of conflict between Appendix rules and Division/Subsection rules, the requirements contained in the Division/Subsection shall govern. Additional guidance on Appendix usage is provided in the front matter of Section III Appendices.

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SUMMARY OF CHANGES

Errata to the BPV Code may be posted on the ASME Web site to provide corrections to incorrectly published items, or to correct typographical or grammatical errors in the BPV Code. Such Errata shall be used on the date posted.

Information regarding Special Notices and Errata is published by ASME at <http://go.asme.org/BPVCerrata>.

Changes given below are identified on the pages by a margin note, **(17)**, placed next to the affected area.

The Record Numbers listed below are explained in more detail in “List of Changes in Record Number Order” following this Summary of Changes.

<i>Page</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Change (Record Number)</i>
xx	List of Sections	Updated
xxv	Submittal of Technical Inquiries to the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Standards Committees	Revised in its entirety (13-2222)
xlvii	Introduction	In Table 1, Appendix XIV row deleted and for Appendix XIII, “X” added in NB column (16-148)
xxviii	Personnel	Updated
1	Organization of Section III	(1) In “1 General,” title of Section III, Division 3 revised (13-1594) (2) In “1 General,” for Section III, Division 3, Subsection WD added (3) In “1 General,” entry for Subsection NH deleted and footnote editorially revised (4) In “9 References,” subparas. (a) and (d)(1) revised (16-148)
26	II-1100	Paragraph added (16-626)
26	II-1221	Revised (16-626)
27	II-1240	First sentence revised (16-148)
28	II-1510	(1) Subparagraphs (a) and (b) revised (16-626) (2) Former endnote 1 incorporated into II-1100 and deleted from Endnotes (16-626)
28	II-1520	Subparagraphs (a) and (b) revised (16-626)
33	II-1610	Subparagraph (b) revised (16-148)
39	Mandatory Appendix III	Revised in its entirety (15-2079)
67	Form G-1	Added and editorially revised (14-2186, 17-1302)
69	Form G-2	Added and editorially revised (14-2186, 17-1302)
71	Form G-4	Added and editorially revised (14-2186, 17-1302)
73	Table V-1000	Revised (14-2186)
86	XI-1121	Former endnote 2 incorporated into Table XI-3221.1-1 General Note and deleted from Endnotes (16-626)
86	XI-1123	Former endnote 3 incorporated into paragraph and deleted from Endnotes (16-626)
89	XI-3130	In nomenclature, terms for <i>b</i> , <i>m</i> , and <i>y</i> revised (16-626)

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94	Table XI-3221.1-1	General Note revised (16-626)
95	XI-3223	Former endnote 4 incorporated into paragraph and deleted from Endnotes (16-626)
97	XI-3261	Former endnote 5 added as fourth paragraph and deleted from Endnotes (16-626)
100	XI-3262	Former endnote 6 added as an in-text Note and deleted from Endnotes (16-626)
107	Mandatory Appendix XIII	Revised in its entirety (02-2618, 15-2523, 17-418)
132	Mandatory Appendix XIV	Deleted (16-148)
133	XVIII-1110	Former endnotes 13 and 14 incorporated into text and deleted from Endnotes (16-2030)
141	XVIII-1150	(1) Former endnote 15 deleted (16-2030) (2) First sentence revised (16-2030) (3) Former endnote 16 incorporated into paragraph following nomenclature and deleted from Endnotes (16-2030)
150	Mandatory Appendix XXIII	Title revised (11-243, 15-209)
150	XXIII-1100	First paragraph revised (11-243)
150	XXIII-1200	XXIII-1210 through XXIII-1270 revised (11-243, 15-209)
152	XXIII-1300	XXIII-1310 through XXIII-1370 revised (15-209)
155	Supplement 1	Title, first paragraph, and 1.1 and 1.2 revised (15-209)
156	Supplement 2	Title and first, third, and sixth paragraphs revised (15-209)
159	Table S2-3	Entries for Nonmandatory Appendix F deleted (15-2531)
163	Supplement 3	Added (15-209)
164	Supplement 4	(1) Former Supplement 3 redesignated as Supplement 4 (15-209) (2) Former Forms S3-1 through S3-5 revised and redesignated as Forms S4-1 through S4-5, respectively (15-209) (3) Form S4-6 added (15-209)
170	XXVI-2110	Subparagraph (b) revised (15-805)
172	XXVI-2230	Subparagraph (d) revised (15-805)
172	XXVI-2231	Subparagraph (d) revised (15-805)
172	XXVI-2232	Subparagraphs (e) and (f) revised (15-805)
172	XXVI-2233	Subparagraph (c) revised (15-805)
173	XXVI-2234	Subparagraphs (c) and (e), and XXVI-2234.3(b) revised (15-805)
173	XXVI-2235	Subparagraphs (d) and (f) revised (15-805)
173	XXVI-2236	Added (15-805)
173	XXVI-2237	Former XXVI-2236 redesignated as XXVI-2237, and subpara. (e) revised (15-805)
174	Figure XXVI-2234-1	In General Note, " w_{\min} " corrected by errata to " w_{\min} " (16-1122)
175	XXVI-2238	(1) Former XXVI-2237 redesignated as XXVI-2238 (15-805) (2) First paragraph and subparas. (c) and (e) revised (15-805)

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175	XXVI-2310	(1) Subparagraph (d) revised (15-805) (2) New subpara. (f) added and former subpara. (f) redesignated as (g) (15-805)
176	XXVI-2320	Revised in its entirety (15-805)
176	XXVI-2330	Revised in its entirety (15-805)
176	XXVI-2400	First paragraph revised (15-805)
177	Table XXVI-2511-1	Revised (15-805)
178	Table XXVI-2512-1	Revised (15-805)
179	Table XXVI-2520(a)-1	Notes revised (15-805)
179	Table XXVI-2520(a)-2	In "Test Method" column, fifth entry revised (15-805)
180	XXVI-2530	Subparagraphs (a)(3) and (b)(11) revised (15-805)
181	XXVI-3100	First sentence revised (15-805)
181	XXVI-3110	In nomenclature, terms for A_b , D_i , d_i , D_o , d_o , F_b , I , n_b , S_b , t , W_i , Z_b , Z_r , and σ_b added, and term for Z revised (15-805)
183	XXVI-3132	Subparagraphs (a) and (c) revised, and subpara. (e) added (15-805)
184	XXVI-3132.1	Subparagraph (c) revised (15-805)
184	XXVI-3134	Added (15-805)
185	XXVI-3135	Added (15-805)
185	XXVI-3210	Omega symbols corrected by errata from italic to roman (16-1122)
186	XXVI-3230	Added (15-805)
187	XXVI-3314	Added (15-805)
189	Figure XXVI-3132-1	Revised (15-805)
190	Table XXVI-3133-1	Last entry in last column corrected by errata (15-805, 16-1123)
190	Table XXVI-3210-1	General Note added (15-805)
192	Table XXVI-3220-1	Revised (15-805)
192	Table XXVI-3220-1M	Revised (15-805)
193	Table XXVI-3311-1	Revised (15-805)
196	XXVI-4110	Subparagraphs (a), (b), and (c) revised (15-805)
197	Figure XXVI-4110-2	Added (15-805)
197	XXVI-4130	Subparagraph (c) added (15-805)
198	XXVI-4131.1	Revised (15-805)
198	XXVI-4131.3	Added (15-805)
198	XXVI-4212	Subparagraph (b) revised (15-805)
198	XXVI-4231	(1) First paragraph and subparas. (a), (b), and (c) revised (15-805) (2) Subparagraph (d) added (15-805)
198	XXVI-4240	Revised (15-805)
199	Figure XXVI-4230-1	Revised (15-805, 16-1122)
201	XXVI-4312	Revised in its entirety (15-805)

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201	XXVI-4321	Subparagraphs (b) and (c) revised (15-805)
201	XXVI-4322	First sentence revised (15-805)
201	XXVI-4322.1	Revised (15-805)
201	XXVI-4323	Last sentence revised (15-805)
202	XXVI-4332	Revised (15-805)
202	XXVI-4333	Revised (15-805)
202	XXVI-4342	Subparagraphs (a), (b), and (e) revised (15-805)
202	XXVI-4412	Subparagraphs (a)(1) and (b) revised (15-805)
202	XXVI-4421	Title revised (15-805)
202	XXVI-4422	Title and subpara. (a) revised (15-805)
203	XXVI-4423	Title revised (15-805)
203	XXVI-4440	First paragraph revised (15-805)
203	XXVI-4451	Subparagraph (b) revised (15-805)
203	XXVI-4452	Revised (15-805)
203	XXVI-4520	Subparagraphs (a), (d), (e), and (f) revised (15-805)
204	XXVI-4521	Added (15-805)
205	Figure XXVI-4520-2	Added (15-805)
205	Table XXVI-4521.1-1	Added (15-805)
206	XXVI-5111	(1) Subparagraph (c) revised (15-805, 15-1010) (2) New subpara. (d) added, and former subpara. (d) redesignated as (e) (15-805)
206	XXVI-5113	Subparagraphs (a), (b), (c), and (c)(4) revised (15-805)
206	XXVI-5114	Subparagraphs (a)(2) through (a)(5) and (b) revised (15-805)
207	XXVI-5210	Revised (15-805)
207	XXVI-5220	Revised (15-805)
207	XXVI-5321	Title and subpara. (a) revised (15-805)
209	XXVI-5322	Added (15-805)
209	XXVI-5325	Former XXVI-5322 redesignated as XXVI-5325 (15-805)
208	Figure XXVI-5220-2	Added (15-805)
209	XXVI-5330	Revised (15-805)
211	XXVI-5410	Subparagraph (b) revised (15-805)
211	XXVI-5421	Subparagraph (b) revised (15-805)
211	XXVI-5422	Subparagraph (b)(2) revised (15-805)
210	Figure XXVI-5330-1	Added (15-805)
212	XXVI-6111	Revised (15-805)
212	XXVI-6114.1	Revised (15-805)
212	XXVI-6121	Revised (15-805)

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213	XXVI-6223	Subparagraph (a) revised (15-805)
213	XXVI-6224	Revised (15-805)
217	XXVI-9100	(1) In definition of <i>lot</i> , subpara. (b) revised (15-805) (2) Definition of <i>void free</i> deleted (15-805)
218	Table XXVI-I-100-1	Revised (15-805)
219	Supplement XXVI-IIA	Former Supplement XXVI-II redesignated as Supplement XXVI-IIA (15-805)
220	Table XXVI-IIA-421	Entry for “Scanning technique” revised (15-805)
221	Supplement XXVI-IIB	Added (15-805)
229	Supplement XXVI-D	Added (15-805)
232	Mandatory Appendix XXVII	Added (15-2522)
252	A-5250	Revised (16-148)
253	A-6110	Subparagraph (c)(4) revised (16-148)
254	A-6233	Step 9 revised (16-148)
264	A-8142.1	Subparagraphs (a) and (b) revised (16-148)
265	A-8142.2	Subparagraphs (a), (b), and last paragraph of Example 2 revised (16-148)
268	A-8143.1	Revised (16-148)
287	B-2123.1	Subparagraph (a) revised (16-148)
290	B-2163	Last sentence revised (16-148)
303	C-1340	Revised (16-148)
307	Nonmandatory Appendix E	(1) Title added (15-2081) (2) Article E-1000 title, and E-1110, E-1210(a)(1), and E-1210(b) revised (15-2081, 16-148, 16-626, 16-1877) (3) In E-1120, endnotes 25 and 26 deleted, and definition of <i>b</i> revised (16-626)
309	F-1321	Revised (16-148)
309	F-1321.4	Subparagraphs (a) and (b) revised (16-148)
311	F-1321.6	Subparagraph (a) revised (16-148)
311	F-1321.7	Revised (16-148)
311	F-1321.9	Revised (16-148)
313	F-1332.7	Following the equation, clarifying phrase and definition of F_{all} added by errata (15-2509)
314	F-1334.5	Former F-1334.6(d) redesignated as F-1334.5(d) by errata (15-2509, 15-2748)
314	F-1334.6	Subparagraph (d) redesignated as F-1334.5(d) by errata (15-2509, 15-2748)
316	F-1341.4	Subparagraph (a) revised (16-148)
326	G-2222	Subparagraph (d) revised (16-148)

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333	L-3191	(1) Definitions of <i>b</i> and <i>y</i> revised (16-626) (2) Following definition of C_4 , former endnote 32 added as an in-text Note and deleted from Endnotes (16-626)
339	L-3231.1	Former endnotes 33 and 34 added as in-text Notes and deleted from Endnotes (16-626)
342	L-3243	Former endnote 35 incorporated into (a)(4)(-b) and deleted from Endnotes (16-626)
344	L-3250	Former endnote 36 added as an in-text Note and deleted from Endnotes (16-626)
347	Nonmandatory Appendix N	(1) Title added (15-2082) (2) Article N-1000 title and N-1100 revised (15-2082)
367	N-1227.2	Subparagraph (b) revised (15-2082)
413	Nonmandatory Appendix O	(1) Title added (15-2083) (2) Article O-1000 title, O-1110(a), and O-1120(g) revised (15-2083, 16-2008)
414	Figure O-1120(e)-2	Revised (16-2008)
428	S-1320	Last sentence corrected by errata (16-1166)
485	W-3210	First paragraph revised (16-148)
505	Nonmandatory Appendix Y	Title added (15-2086)
505	Article Y-1000	Title and Y-1110 revised (15-2086)
510	Y-3410	In subpara. (b)(2), text following eq. (NC-9) revised editorially
516	Y-5410	In subpara. (b)(2), text following eq. (NC-9) restructured by errata (16-620)
518	Z-1300	Subparagraph (a) revised (13-970)
518	Z-1400	Subparagraphs (a), (e)(2), (e)(4), and (e)(5) revised (13-970)
519	Z-1500	Revised (13-970)
520	Article AA-1000	Article designator and title added, and paragraphs redesignated editorially
523	Nonmandatory Appendix BB	Title revised (15-2087)
523	BB-1100	Revised (15-2087)
524	BB-2100	Former endnote 40 incorporated into first paragraph and deleted from Endnotes (15-1904)
531	CC-1111	Revised (15-2088)
532	CC-2110	Former endnote 41 added as an in-text Note following subpara. (c) and deleted from Endnotes (16-2027)
543	EE-1220	Former endnote 43 incorporated into third paragraph and deleted from Endnotes (15-2548)
578	Nonmandatory Appendix JJ	Added (16-2046)

LIST OF CHANGES IN RECORD NUMBER ORDER

Record Number	Change
02-2618	Completed revision of Mandatory Appendix XIII.
11-243	Revised title of Mandatory Appendix XXIII to reflect certification activities. Revised XXIII-1110 to certification rather than specialty field. Revised XXIII-1210 to clarify certification and specialty field.
13-970	Aligned Nonmandatory Appendix Z with NCA-5000, re: spelling out ANI, ANIS, and AIA before use of the abbreviation. Updated grammar. Clarified “Inspector” to mean the ANI.
13-1594	Revised the Organization of Section III to address the incorporation of a new proposed Subsection WD that addresses internal support structures.
13-2222	Revised the front guidance on interpretations in its entirety.
14-2186	Revised Mandatory Appendix V to add Graphite Core Component Certificate Holder’s Data Report Forms G-1, G-2, and G-4 and Instructions.
15-209	Revised the term “Registered Professional Engineer” to “Certifying Engineer” and added requirements to be consistent with changes in Mandatory Appendix XXIII.
15-805	Added provisions and requirements for electrofusion socket couplings and branch saddle connections. Added provisions for microwave volumetric examination of electrofusion fittings. Revised requirements for HDPE to metallic flanged connections, and added provisions for HDPE-to-HDPE flanged connections. Revised hydrostatic test pressure requirements. Added various other clarifications and minor technical changes. Added reference to ASTM standards for acceptance of volumetric examination for HDPE fittings. Incorporated comments and resolved negatives from first consideration ballot 16-1916. Added <i>t</i> to the nomenclature of XXVI-3110. Corrected editorial omissions for t_{elbow} in XXVI-3132.1(c) and Table XXVI-3132-1. These changes have been reviewed and approved by WG-HDPE Materials (III), WG-HDPE Design (III), WG-NMRR (XI), and SG-CD (III,) as applicable, and by SG-MFE (III). Incorporated editorial corrections.
15-1010	Revised XXVI-5111(c) to state: “Ultrasonic examination shall be in accordance with Section V, Article 4 and Supplement XXVI-II. In cases of conflict, Supplement XXVI-II shall govern.”
15-1904	In Nonmandatory Appendix BB, incorporated endnote 40 into the body of the Code as the last sentence of the first paragraph of BB-2100.
15-2079	Made minor revisions to Mandatory Appendix III.
15-2081	Made minor revisions to Nonmandatory Appendix E.
15-2082	Made minor revisions to Nonmandatory Appendix N.
15-2083	Made minor revisions to Nonmandatory Appendix O.
15-2086	Made minor revisions to Nonmandatory Appendix Y.
15-2087	Made minor revisions to Nonmandatory Appendix BB.
15-2088	Made minor revisions to Nonmandatory Appendix CC.
15-2509	Errata correction. See Summary of Changes for details.
15-2522	Renumbered and revised Nonmandatory Appendix F as Mandatory Appendix XXVII.
15-2523	Updated cross-reference in XIII-1144 for new Mandatory Appendix XVII.
15-2531	Removed cross-references to Nonmandatory Appendix F in Table S2-3, Load Capacity Data Sheet.
15-2548	Updated Nonmandatory Appendix EE, to incorporate some endnotes into the text and delete some endnotes.
15-2748	Errata correction. See Summary of Changes for details.
16-148	Revised numerous sections of text related to incorporation of revised Mandatory Appendix XIII.
16-620	Errata correction. See Summary of Changes for details.
16-626	Deleted endnote 1; incorporated text into II-1100. Removed reference to appurtenances and portions of components and appurtenances from Article II-1000. Deleted endnote 2; incorporated text into the General Note to Table XI-3221.1-1, and updated the locations that referenced the endnote to reference the table. Deleted endnote 3; incorporated text into XI-1123. Deleted

Record Number	Change
16-1122	endnote 4; incorporated text into XI-3223. Deleted endnote 5; incorporated text into XI-3261. Deleted endnote 6; incorporated text into XI-3262. Deleted endnotes 25 and 26; incorporated text into the General Note to Table XI-3221.1-1, and updated locations that referenced the endnotes to reference the table. Deleted endnote 32; incorporated text into L-3191. Deleted endnote 33; incorporated text into L-3231.1. Deleted endnote 34; incorporated text into L-3231.1. Deleted endnote 35; incorporated text into L-3243(a). Deleted endnote 36; incorporated text into L-3250.
16-1123	Errata correction. See Summary of Changes for details.
16-1166	Errata correction. See Summary of Changes for details.
16-1877	Updated cross-references in Nonmandatory Appendix E, E-1110.
16-2008	In O-1110, added “on a pressure vessel or in a” to second sentence. Added “or pressure vessel” to O-1120(g), and updated Figure O-1120(e)-2.
16-2027	Deleted endnote 41; incorporated text into CC-2110.
16-2030	Moved endnotes 13 through 16 to Mandatory Appendix XVIII. Incorporated endnote 15 into first sentence of XVIII-1150.
16-2046	Added New Nonmandatory Appendix JJ to provide guidance for evaluation of thermal stratification in Class 1 piping systems.
17-418	Errata correction. See Summary of Changes for details.
17-1302	Newly added Forms G-1, G-2, and G-4, editorially revised.

CROSS-REFERENCING AND STYLISTIC CHANGES IN THE BOILER AND PRESSURE VESSEL CODE

There have been structural and stylistic changes to BPVC, starting with the 2011 Addenda, that should be noted to aid navigating the contents. The following is an overview of the changes:

Subparagraph Breakdowns/Nested Lists Hierarchy

- First-level breakdowns are designated as (a), (b), (c), etc., as in the past.
- Second-level breakdowns are designated as (1), (2), (3), etc., as in the past.
- Third-level breakdowns are now designated as (-a), (-b), (-c), etc.
- Fourth-level breakdowns are now designated as (-1), (-2), (-3), etc.
- Fifth-level breakdowns are now designated as (+a), (+b), (+c), etc.
- Sixth-level breakdowns are now designated as (+1), (+2), etc.

Footnotes

With the exception of those included in the front matter (roman-numbered pages), all footnotes are treated as endnotes. The endnotes are referenced in numeric order and appear at the end of each BPVC section/subsection.

Submittal of Technical Inquiries to the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Standards Committees

Submittal of Technical Inquiries to the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Standards Committees has been moved to the front matter. This information now appears in all Boiler Code Sections (except for Code Case books).

Cross-References

It is our intention to establish cross-reference link functionality in the current edition and moving forward. To facilitate this, cross-reference style has changed. Cross-references within a subsection or subarticle will not include the designator/identifier of that subsection/subarticle. Examples follow:

- *(Sub-)Paragraph Cross-References.* The cross-references to subparagraph breakdowns will follow the hierarchy of the designators under which the breakdown appears.
 - If subparagraph (-a) appears in X.1(c)(1) and is referenced in X.1(c)(1), it will be referenced as (-a).
 - If subparagraph (-a) appears in X.1(c)(1) but is referenced in X.1(c)(2), it will be referenced as (1)(-a).
 - If subparagraph (-a) appears in X.1(c)(1) but is referenced in X.1(e)(1), it will be referenced as (c)(1)(-a).
 - If subparagraph (-a) appears in X.1(c)(1) but is referenced in X.2(c)(2), it will be referenced as X.1(c)(1)(-a).
- *Equation Cross-References.* The cross-references to equations will follow the same logic. For example, if eq. (1) appears in X.1(a)(1) but is referenced in X.1(b), it will be referenced as eq. (a)(1)(1). If eq. (1) appears in X.1(a)(1) but is referenced in a different subsection/subarticle/paragraph, it will be referenced as eq. X.1(a)(1)(1).