

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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| In the Matter of Correcting Reference |) | |
| Error in |) | DOCKET NO. TO-000712 |
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| |) | GENERAL ORDER NO. R-502 |
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| WAC 480-75-430 |) | |
| |) | ORDER CORRECTING |
| Relating to Welding Procedures |) | REFERENCE IN WAC 480-75-430 |
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- 1 On August 26, 2002, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission filed with the Code Reviser an Order Amending, Adopting and Repealing Rules Permanently for chapter 480-75 WAC, relating to Hazardous Liquid, Gas, Oil and Petroleum Pipeline Companies – Safety. The Adoption Order is filed at WSR #02-18-032.
- 2 On September 9, 2002, Commission Staff discovered that a correction to a section reference to the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code in WAC 480-75-430, Welding procedures, made subsequent to the CR-102, had not been corrected in the rules submitted to the Code Reviser with the Adoption Order.
- 3 Upon investigation, the Commission found that the section reference correction was included in the rules adopted by the Commission during the July 26, 2002, adoption hearing. The correction replaces a nonexistent section reference to the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code with an actual section. Failure to make the section reference correction in the rules submitted to the Code Reviser with the Adoption Order constitutes an oversight.
- 4 Accordingly, the Commission enters this Order to correct the section reference to the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code in the first sentence of subsection (1) of WAC 480-75-430. The reference should read **Section IX** of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, not section 2001. A copy of the corrected rule is attached to this Order as Appendix A.

ORDER

5 THE COMMISSION ORDERS That the section reference to the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code in the first sentence of subsection (1) of WAC 480-75-430 is corrected to read as described in paragraph 4 above and set forth in Appendix A, to take effect pursuant to RCW 34.05.380 (2) on the thirty-first day after filing with the Code Reviser.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, this _____ day of September, 2002.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MARILYN SHOWALTER, Chairwoman

RICHARD HEMSTAD, Commissioner

PATRICK J. OSHIE, Commissioner

APPENDIX ANEW SECTION

WAC 480-75-430 Welding procedures. (1) For new and existing pipelines, all welding procedures and welders must be qualified to the API Standard 1104 or Section IX of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code. Information about the API standards and the ASME edition adopted, and where to obtain them, are set out in WAC 480-75-999, Adoption by reference. Each welder qualification test result must be recorded and kept for a period of five years, and:

(a) Operators must use testing equipment necessary to measure the essential variables during welder qualification or requalification, and also for procedure qualification or requalification. All essential variables must be recorded as performed during the welding qualification.

(b) Qualified welding procedures must be on-site where welding is being performed.

(2) Welders must carry appropriate identification and qualification cards showing the name of welder, their qualifications, date of qualification expiration, and the company whose procedures were followed for the qualification. Welders' qualification cards will be subject to commission inspection at all times when personnel are working on facilities subject to commission jurisdiction.