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INTERPRETATION
Quality Management Systems for Owner-User Pressure Equipment Integrity Management

This information bulletin replaces IB20-018 which has been withdrawn.

As provided for under Section 11(3) of the Pressure Equipment Safety Regulation AR 49/2006 (PESR), the Administrator may require an owner of pressure equipment to hold a certificate of authorization permit. Sections 12 and 13 of the PESR establish general requirements for applicants and duties of certificate holders.

This Information Bulletin is to establish that ABSA document AB-512 "*Owner-User Pressure Equipment Integrity Management Requirements*" specifies information required by the Administrator from an owner that applies for a certificate of authorization permit as required under Section 11(3); and specifies features of an owner-user quality management system that may be acceptable to the Administrator, as provided for under Sections 12 and 13 of the PESR for an owner of pressure equipment.

This AB-512, Edition 4, document cancels and replaces the previous ABSA AB-512, Edition 3 document that was issued to define integrity management system requirements. This edition of AB-512 includes editorial corrections and general revisions of the previous edition of the document and also includes expanded implementation guidance to assist owners to meet the requirements and implement an effective quality management system. A reference version of AB-512 showing the change of markups has been posted (here) to assist users with identifying changes.

Owners, applying for the first time for a Certificate of Authorization Permit, must meet the requirements of the current AB-512 document prior to the certification.

Organizations which currently hold a Certificate of Authorization Permit must meet the requirements of the current AB-512 document and will be audited accordingly during re-certification. Prior to re-certification the revised quality management system written description that is submitted must address current AB-512 requirements.

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