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INTERPRETATION
Risk-Based Inspection Requirements for
Owner-User Pressure Equipment Integrity Management Systems

This Information Bulletin replaces IB21-009, which is hereby withdrawn.

An owner of pressure equipment may be required to hold certificate of authorization under Section 11(3) of the Pressure Equipment Safety Regulation AR 49/2006 (PESR). Applications for such a permit are subject to Section 12 of the PESR. Permit holders' duties are set out in Section 13.

This Information Bulletin establishes that ABSA document AB-505 "*Risk-Based Inspection Requirements for Pressure Equipment*" Edition 4, Revision 0, issued 2026-07-09 specifies information required by the Administrator from an owner that applies for risk-based inspection (RBI) to be included in their certificate of authorization permit as required under Section 11(3); and specifies features of a quality management system that may be acceptable to the Administrator, as provided for under Sections 12 and 13 of the PESR.

Organizations applying for the first time to include RBI in the scope of their certificate of authorization permit are required to meet the current AB-505 document prior to the certification.

Organizations which currently hold a certificate of authorization permit that includes RBI must meet the requirements of the current AB-505 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-505 requirements.

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