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Notice – Copies of Registered Designs May Be Returned Electronically

The Pressure Equipment Safety Regulation requires that when we accept a design for registration, a copy of the registered design be returned to the submitter. At our discretion, the copy of the registered design may now be returned to the submitter electronically via email. The design will be scanned at 300 dpi and typically in black and white, as required to meet the Government of Alberta standards for scanned records, and as required to adequately represent the registered design.

If a submitter insists on a copy of the registered design being provided to them in hard copy, then it will be provided as a black-and-white facsimile only. We will not provide a copy with an original stamp and signature, even by special request.

Returning a scanned copy via email represents a significant increase in the level of service provided to submitters, as the transmission is generally made within a few days of design acceptance, rather than a few weeks later.

Unfortunately, since we cannot predict which submissions will be suitable for scanning, we must continue to insist that hard copy submissions be made in duplicate as required by the Regulation, with the following notable exceptions:

- AB-41 Statutory Declaration Forms are no longer required to be submitted in duplicate. A single original form is sufficient, rather than duplicate originals. A facsimile of the accepted form will be returned to the submitter, either in hard copy or electronically. (This does not apply to National Registration submissions – original duplicates must still be provided for each province in which registration is sought.)
- Welding procedure submissions are no longer required to be submitted in duplicate. These submissions are consistently made on letter-sized pages which can reliably be scanned.