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ALERT

**NPS 2 Class 3000 Screwed Couplings
IML Industria Meccanica Ligure S.P.A. Heat Number 79168**

It has been brought to ABSA's attention that NPS 2 Class 3000 screwed couplings manufactured by IML Industria Meccanica Ligure S.P.A. of Italy that are marked as ASTM A105N material and bear heat number 79168 are of a material not consistent with ASTM A105 requirements. Failure of several couplings occurred in Edmonton during hydrostatic testing. These couplings must not be used in applications subject to the *Pressure Equipment Safety Regulation*.

If you are in possession of any of these couplings, installed or otherwise, they must be removed and be returned to the supplier or manufacturer. Your immediate action on this matter for pressure equipment safety is required.

We appreciate the effort and cooperation of industry in bringing this issue to our attention.

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