

**Board of High Pressure Piping Systems**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, October 8, 2015 – 10:00 a.m.**  
Minnesota Room – Department of Labor and Industry  
443 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, MN 55155

**Members Present**

Bob Bastianelli  
Marit Brock  
Dave Carlson  
Tim Daugherty  
Mark Geisenhoff  
Todd Green  
Mark Kincs  
Vicki Sandberg  
Chris Savage  
Russ Scherber  
Mark Slagle

**Members Absent**

Larry Stevens Jr. (Chair)  
Jim Andrie

**DLI Staff & Visitors**

Bill Bierman (DLI)  
Lyndy Lutz (DLI)  
Gary Thaden (MMCA)  
Roger Thein (St. Paul Pipefitters JATC)

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. by Vice Chair Scherber. Housekeeping announcements were made and a quorum was met.

**II. Approval of Meeting Agenda**

A motion was made by Bastianelli, seconded by Carlson, to approve the agenda as presented. The vote was unanimous; the motion carried.

**III. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Carlson, seconded by Slagle, to approve the July 9, 2015 HPPS Board meeting minutes as presented. The vote was unanimous; the motion carried.

**IV. Regular Business**

**A. HPPS rules**

Green reported the recently adopted HPPS rules became effective on September 12, 2015 and have been updated on the department's website at:

<http://www.dli.mn.gov/CCLD/HPP.asp> To purchase the current High Pressure Piping Laws & Rules, visit: <http://www.dli.mn.gov/CCLD/codes15.asp>

**B. Licensing and permitting**

Nothing to report

**C. Continuing Education**

Nothing to report

**D. Legislative update – effective date of the rules**

Bill Bierman referred to **Attachment A**. He noted one of the changes was to the effective date of the rules as follows: “A rule to adopt or amend the State Building Code is effective ~~180~~ **270** days after publication of the rule’s notice of adoption in the State Register.”

Bierman noted an additional change made by the legislature: “The rule may provide for an earlier effective date if the commissioner ~~or board...~~” The department’s proposed legislation will ask that the deletion of “~~or board~~” be reversed so the responsibility and authority to consider an earlier effective date be placed back in the hands of the High Pressure Piping Board. Gary Thaden noted that the Minnesota Mechanical Contractors Association would support the Board in their efforts.

**V. Special Business**

Nothing to report

**VI. Complaints**

Nothing brought forth

**VII. Open Forum**

Nothing brought forth

**VIII. Board Discussion**

- FY Permitting update – Green referred to **Attachment B** noting permits issued through 2013, 2014, and through October 7, 2015.
- Green referred to **Attachment C** noting that since the creation of CCLD’s Enforcement Unit in 2008, the number of enforceable issues continues to decline.

**IX. Announcements**

A. Next regularly scheduled 2016 meetings – 10:00 a.m. Thursday – Minnesota Room, DLI

- January 14, 2016
- April 14, 2016
- July 14, 2016
- October 13, 2016

**X. Adjournment**

A motion made by Daugherty, seconded by Slagle, to adjourn. The vote was unanimous; the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Robert Bastianelli*

Robert Bastianelli  
Secretary

**EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This section is effective August 1, 2015, and applies to all model code adoptions beginning with the 2018 model building code.

**Sec. 7.**

**Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 326B.13, subdivision 8, is amended to read:  
Subd. 8.**

**Effective date of rules.**

A rule to adopt or amend the State Building Code is effective ~~180~~ 270 days after publication of the rule's notice of adoption in the State Register. The rule may provide for a later effective date. The rule may provide for an earlier effective date if the commissioner ~~or board~~ proposing the rule finds that an earlier effective date is necessary to protect public health and safety after considering, among other things, the need for time for training of individuals to comply with and enforce the rule. The commissioner must publish an electronic version of the entire adopted rule chapter on the department's Web site within ten days of receipt from the revisor of statutes. The commissioner shall clearly indicate the effective date of the rule on the department's Web site.

**Note from Bill Bierman: This section is effective August 1, 2015.**

# HPP Permits Issued Summary

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PERMITS ISSUED - Summary by Type and Subtype  
For the Period 1/1/2013 thru 10/7/2013

Type / SubType	# of Permits Issued
HPP BLANKET	97
	97
HPP STANDARD	181
	181
HPP TIME MATERIALS	89
	89
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>367</b>

**Total Fees: \$518,817**

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PERMITS ISSUED - Summary by Type and Subtype  
For the Period 1/1/2014 thru 10/7/2014

Type / SubType	# of Permits Issued
HPP BLANKET	109
	109
HPP STANDARD	201
	201
HPP TIME MATERIALS	94
	94
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>404</b>

**Total Fees: \$635,407**

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PERMITS ISSUED - Summary by Type and Subtype  
For the Period 1/1/2015 thru 10/7/2015

Type / SubType	# of Permits Issued
HPP BLANKET	84
	84
HPP STANDARD	210
	210
HPP TIME MATERIALS	75
	75
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>369</b>

**Total Fees: \$605,104**

**TO:** TODD GREEN  
Chief HPP Inspector

**FROM:** DAN CUNNINGHAM  
Senior Investigator

**DATE:** October 7, 2015

**PHONE:** (651) 284-5828

**SUBJECT:** HPP Enforcement Actions: '13 – '15

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Per your request, the following identifies the number of enforcement actions taken by the Department against High Pressure Piping contractors from '13 – '15.

#### 2013

- Total enforcement actions taken: 9 (total civil penalty = \$27,500)
- Enforcement actions – unlicensed HPP contractors: 5 (total civil penalty = \$19,750)  
(Consent Cease and Desist Order)
- Enforcement actions – licensed HPP contractors: 4 (total civil penalty - \$7,750)  
(Consent Order Censures)

#### 2014

- Total enforcement actions taken: 4 (total civil penalty = \$38,500)
- Enforcement actions – unlicensed HPP contractors: 1 (total civil penalty = \$3,750)  
(Cease and Desist Order against an HJ)
- Enforcement actions – licensed HPP contractors: 3 (total civil penalty - \$34,750)  
(1 Consent Order Suspension & 2 Consent Order Censures)

#### 2015

- Total enforcement actions taken: 4 (total civil penalty = \$11,900)
- Enforcement actions – unlicensed HPP contractors: 1 (total civil penalty = \$2,450)  
(Consent Cease and Desist Orders)
- Enforcement actions – licensed HPP contractors: 3 (total civil penalty - \$9,450)  
(Consent Order Censures)

#### TOTAL

- Total enforcement actions taken: 17 (total civil penalty = \$77,900)
- Enforcement actions – unlicensed HPP contractors: 7 (total civil penalty = \$25,950)  
(Consent Cease and Desist Orders)
- Enforcement actions – licensed HPP contractors: 10 (total civil penalty - \$51,950)  
(9 Consent Order Censures & 1 Consent Order Suspension)