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FINAL INTERPRETATION

Inquiry: PB0054
Subject: ASSE Standard 1017 certified valves
Code Reference: Minnesota Plumbing Code, Minnesota Rules Part 4715.1380, subpart 5 (2009)
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Approved by: Code Interpretation Committee
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Question: Do the valves that are tested to ASSE Standard 1017 meet the requirements of Minnesota Rules Part 4715.1380, subp. 5?

Answer: No, valves that are tested to ASSE Standard 1017 do not meet the intent of the "Master anti-scald type thermostatic blender," which is required by Minn. R. Part 4715.1380, subp. 5.

Commentary: All parties were heard and had fair opportunity to present facts, thoughts, opinions, and challenges pertaining to the question of whether ASSE 1017 certified valves satisfy the intent and requirements of Minn. R. Part 4715.1380, subp. 5, as a master anti-scald type thermostatic blender. It is the opinion of the Committee that an amendment to 4715.1380, subp. 5, could help clarify the requirements it; however ASSE is currently considering changes that might resolve this inquiry.

As required by Minnesota Statutes § 326B.127, subd. 5, the Plumbing Board will consider this Final Interpretation for adoption as part of the Minnesota Plumbing Code.



Date: August 18, 2010

Jim Gander, Committee Chair
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