

Meeting Minutes: Board of High Pressure Piping Systems

Date: Thursday, January 11, 2018 @ 10:00 a.m.
Minutes prepared by: Lyndy Logan
Location: Minnesota Room, Department of Labor & Industry
443 Lafayette Rd. N., St. Paul, MN 55155

Attendance

Members Present

Jim Andrie
Kyle Bain
Marit Brock
David Carlson
Todd Green (Commissioner's Designee)
Brett Kilbourne
Vicki Sandberg (Secretary)
Chris Savage (via teleconference)
Kent Schneider
Russ Scherber (Vice-Chair)
Larry Stevens Jr. (Chair)

Members Absent

Tim Daugherty
Mark Slagle

DLI Staff & Visitors

Jeff Lebowski (Chief Gen. Counsel, DLI)
Ethan Landy (General Counsel, DLI)
Lyndy Logan (DLI)
Ben Lassell (DLI)
Roger Thein (St. Paul Pipefitters JATC)
Matt Marquis (MMCA)
Adam Hanson (MN ABC)
Bob Bastianelli (MN Power)
Gary Thaden (MMCA)
Sophie Thaden (MMCA)
Kevin Chapdelaine (St. Paul DSI)
Pat McCullough (St. Paul DSI)
Jake Pottit (Minneapolis Pipefitters)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Chair Stevens. Housekeeping announcements were made and a quorum was met with 11 of 13 voting members present in person or via teleconference.

2. Approval of Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Andrie, seconded by Carlson, to approve the agenda as presented. The roll call vote was unanimous with 11 votes in favor; the motion carried.

3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- A. A motion was made by Carlson, seconded by Brock, to approve the regular October 12, 2017, Board of High Pressure Piping Systems minutes as presented. The roll call vote was unanimous with 11 votes in favor; the motion carried.

- B. A motion was made by Andrie, seconded by Brock, to approve the special October 12, 2017, Ammonia Committee minutes as presented. The roll call vote was unanimous with 11 votes in favor; the motion carried.

4. Regular Business

A. Licensing and permitting

Green gave an update on HPP Permits issued in 2016 and 2017 – see **Attachment A**.

B. Continuing education

No discussion

5. Special Business

A. HPPS proposed rule amendment

Lebowski noted that per Minnesota Statute a rule to adopt or amend the State Building Code is effective 270 days after publication of the rule’s notice 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. Generally effective dates are 5 days after publication in the State Register and Lebowski recommended this earlier effective date but said it is the Board’s decision. Thaden said he supports the earlier effective date. Thaden asked if training has been completed – Stevens said individuals have already been trained and are using the new code. He then noted that the new code will increase safety.

A motion was made by Andrie, seconded by Savage, to move forward with the amount of training code changes and safety issues and proceed with 5 days after publication. The roll call vote was unanimous with 11 votes in favor; the motion carried.

6. Complaints

Nothing brought forth

7. Open Forum

Nothing brought forth

8. Board Discussion

Scherber discussed a new type of Victaulic fitting for use on high pressure steam systems and whether these grooved, two bolt clamp fittings are allowed under the current B31.1 code. Green said he reviewed the Victaulic specifications on the website and determined these meet current code standards and would be allowed for use in Minnesota. ASME B31.1, Chapter 106.1 and chapter 118 specifically, allow for this type of mechanical joint.

Bain said it is up to the end user. Installation would be dependent on the piping location.

Stevens reiterated that it does meet code and Green said the Board would need to review the current codes and open rulemaking if the Board believed these joints should be prohibited in high pressure steam systems. Stevens noted this is something to keep an eye on.

9. Announcements

Next regularly scheduled 2018 meetings – 10:00 a.m. Thursdays – Minnesota Room, DLI

- April 12, 2018
- July 12, 2018 (annual meeting)
- October 11, 2018

10. Adjournment

A motion made by Carlson, seconded by Sandberg, to adjourn the meeting at 10:34 a.m. The roll call vote was unanimous with 11 votes in favor; the motion carried.

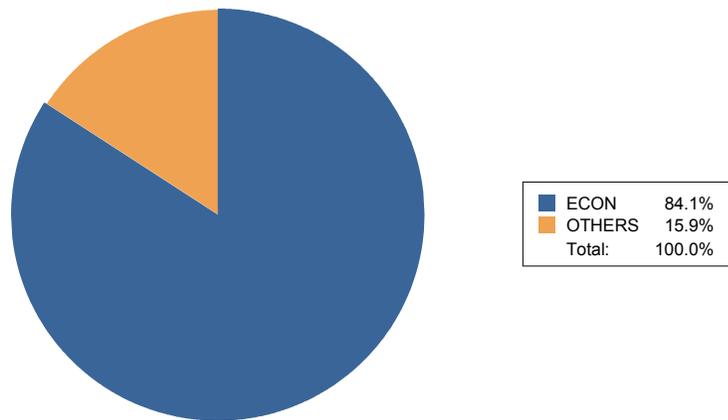
Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki Sandberg

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Secretary

**HPP PERMITS
REPORTING PERIOD
01/01/2016 TO 12/31/2016**

ETRAKIT PERCENTAGE



PERMITS APPLIED

	Total
Total	464
HPP BLANKET	129
HPP STANDARD	214
HPP SURVEY	4
HPP TIME MATERIALS	117

CURRENT PERMIT STATUS

	Total
Total	464
FINALED	453
OTHERS	11

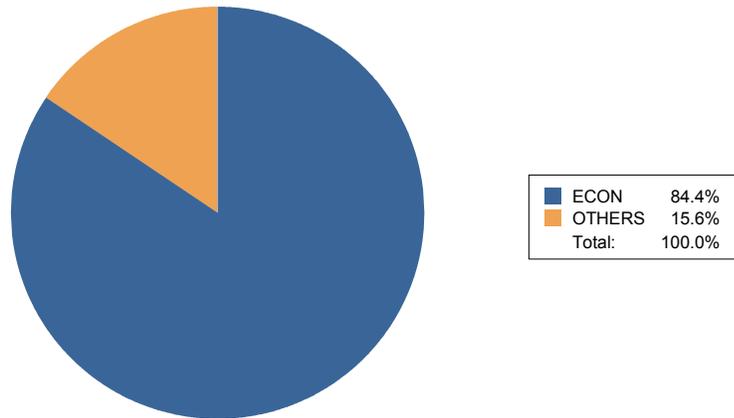
ETRAKIT USE

	Total
Total	464
ECON	390
OTHERS	74

Total permit fees \$855,000

**HPP PERMITS
REPORTING PERIOD
01/01/2017 TO 12/31/2017**

ETRAKIT PERCENTAGE



PERMITS APPLIED

	Total
Total	462
HPP BLANKET	115
HPP STANDARD	230
HPP SURVEY	4
HPP TIME MATERIALS	113

CURRENT PERMIT STATUS

	Total
Total	462
FINALED	291
OTHERS	171

ETRAKIT USE

	Total
Total	462
ECON	390
OTHERS	72

Total permit fees \$1,077,000