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TO: ALL INSURERS LICENSED TO UNDERWRITE BOILERS AND PRESSURE VESSEL EQUIPMENT, THIRD-PARTY INSPECTION PROVIDERS AND INTERESTED PARTIES

RE: Amendments to Ontario’s Boilers and Pressure Vessels Regulation

The following changes to enhance public safety have been made to Ontario’s Boilers and Pressure Vessels Regulation (O. Reg. 220/01) under the Technical Standards and Safety Act (TSSA), 2000:

- TSSA will directly issue a Certificate of Inspection (COI) to owners of BPV equipment. The COI will be issued as authorization to legally operate a BPV after a passed periodic inspection and upon submission of a Record of Inspection (ROI) to TSSA by the inspector.
- Owners of boilers and pressure vessels will pay a COI fee to TSSA.
- TSSA will implement an audit and attestation program to provide oversight of periodic inspections conducted by insurers.
- TSSA will maintain a database of device-specific periodic inspection information provided by insurer and TSSA inspectors.

The changes were approved by Government in November 2017 after a review of the BPV regulation led by the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services (MGCS) in collaboration with TSSA and a 14-member panel of BPV industry stakeholders with representation from insurance companies, third-party inspection providers, and owners and manufacturers of BPV equipment. The changes come into effect on July 1, 2018 through an amended BPV regulation.

These changes are in line with regulatory proposals made by the 14-member panel of BPV industry stakeholders in a report released to MGCS in August 2016. The detailed Round Table Panel Report can be found on the Ontario Regulatory Registry.

TSSA is developing processes, procedures and guidelines to implement these changes and will continuously and actively engage stakeholders through regular updates. Stakeholders are advised to regularly check www.tssa.org for more information and regular updates regarding implementation.

Questions regarding this regulatory amendment notice can be directed to TSSA at info@tssa.org. A Frequently Asked Questions (FAQS) page has also been set-up to provide responses to questions regarding the BPV regulatory change.

Yours truly,

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