5225,2610 OWNER REPAIR PROGRAM.

Subject to written approval of their repair program from the department, an owner with a boiler exceeding 200,000 pounds per hour of steam may perform repairs to their boiler or safety relief valves as allowed by and meeting the requirements of Sections I, IV, and VIII of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code and the National Board Inspection Code. The granting of the approval does not allow repair of high pressure piping under the authority of and as defined by Minnesota Statutes, section 326B.91.

The owner repair program must include: organization, design control, material control, control of work, inspection, welding, nondestructive testing, records, repair reporting, and provision for system test and inspection by a commissioned inspector holding a Minnesota Certificate of Competency. Before acceptance of the repair program, the chief boiler inspector must review the program. The program shall not be approved until the chief boiler inspector is satisfied that the program elements listed in this part are complete and acceptable and the allowance for independent third-party inspection controls are adequate and acceptable.

The commissioner of the department may withdraw program approval, with cause, upon the recommendation of the chief boiler inspector. The commissioner must provide the owner with written notification of the department's intent to withdraw program approval and the reasons for the action. The owner, upon receipt of the commissioner's notification, has 30 calendar days to implement the required corrective actions to the satisfaction of the chief boiler inspector. The acceptance or rejection of all corrective actions shall be by the chief boiler inspector and must be in writing.

Statutory Authority: MS s 175.171; 183.42; 183.44; 183.465; 183.466; 183.54; 326B.958; 326B.964; 326B.966; 326B.982

History: 13 SR 1917; 19 SR 591; L 2007 c 140 art 9 s 27; art 10 s 11; art 13 s 4

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