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**BOILER AND PRESSURE VESSEL SAFETY PROGRAM**

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**EXPECTED 2014-2015 RULE-MAKING ACTIVITY:**

**CHAPTER 1**: Definitions

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 32 M.R.S.A. §15101, §15104-A, and §15109

PURPOSE: This Chapter defines the terms that are used in the rules and terms used in statute not defined by statute. This Chapter will be amended to be consistent with the provisions of Public Law 2013 Chapter 70 enacted by the 126th Maine State Legislature.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: April 1, 2015.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 2**: Variances

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 32 M.R.S.A. §15104-A, and §15104-B

PURPOSE: This Chapter establishes the procedures for the filing of a petition for a variance. This Chapter will be amended to be consistent with the provisions of Public Law 2013 Chapter 70 enacted by the 126th Maine State Legislature.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: April 1, 2015.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 3**: Board Meetings

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 32 M.R.S.A. §15103 and §15104-A

PURPOSE: This Chapter authorizes board meetings. This Chapter will be repealed to be consistent with the provisions of Public Law 2013 Chapter 70 enacted by the 123rd Maine State Legislature.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: April 1, 2015.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 4**: Advisory Rulings

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 5 M.R.S.A. §9001 and 32 M.R.S.A. §15104-A

PURPOSE: This Chapter establishes requirements and guidelines for the discretionary issuance of advisory rulings. This Chapter will be amended to be consistent with the provisions of Public Law 2013 Chapter 70 enacted by the 126th Maine State Legislature.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: April 1, 2015.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 11**: National Codes Applicable to Boilers and Pressure Vessels

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 32 M.R.S.A. §15104-A

PURPOSE: This Chapter specifies the national safety codes and standards that apply to boilers and pressure vessels regulated in the State of Maine. This Chapter will be amended to be consistent with the provisions of Public Law 2013 Chapter 70 enacted by the 126th Maine State Legislature.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: April 1, 2015.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 12**: Power Boilers

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 32 M.R.S.A. §15104-A(1)

PURPOSE: This Chapter establishes requirements for the design, construction, installation, operation, and inspection of power boilers. This Chapter will be amended to be consistent with the provisions of Public Law 2013 Chapter 70 enacted by the 126th Maine State Legislature.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: April 1,2015.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 13**: Low Pressure Boilers

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 32 M.R.S.A. §15104-A(1)

PURPOSE: This Chapter establishes specific requirements for the identification, construction, installation, inspection, and operation of low pressure boilers. This Chapter will be amended to be consistent with the provisions of Public Law 2013 Chapter 70 enacted by the 126th Maine State Legislature.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: April 1, 2015.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 14**: Pressure Vessels

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 32 M.R.S.A. §15104-A(1), and §15109(8)

PURPOSE: This Chapter establishes requirements for the design, construction, installation, inspection, and operation of pressure vessels. This Chapter will be amended to be consistent with the provisions of Public Law 2013 Chapter 70 enacted by the 126th Maine State Legislature.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: April 1, 2015.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 15**: Repairs and Alterations

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 32 M.R.S.A. §15104, §15109(8) and §15110

PURPOSE: This Chapter establishes requirements for performing welded repairs, mechanical replacement of pressure parts, and alterations on boilers or pressure vessels. This Chapter will be amended to be consistent with the provisions of Public Law 2013 Chapter 70 enacted by the 126th Maine State Legislature.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: April 1, 2015.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 21**: Duties and Responsibilities of All Owners of Boilers and Pressure Vessels

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 32 M.R.S.A. §15104-A, §15119 and §15121

PURPOSE: This Chapter establishes general guidelines of all owners of boilers and pressure vessels. This Chapter will be amended to be consistent with the provisions of Public Law 2013 Chapter 70 enacted by the 126th Maine State Legislature.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: April 1,2015.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 31**: Inspectors

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 32 M.R.S.A. §15104-A and §15108-A

PURPOSE: This Chapter establishes requirements for initial and renewal licensure of inspectors. This Chapter will be amended to be consistent with the provisions of Public Law 2013 Chapter 70 enacted by the 126th Maine State Legislature.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: April 1, 2015.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.

**CHAPTER 32**: Boiler Operators and Stationary Steam Engineers

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 32 M.R.S.A. §15104-A and §15109

PURPOSE: This Chapter establishes requirements for licensure and responsibilities of boiler operators and stationary steam engineers. This Chapter will be amended to be consistent with the provisions of Public Law 2013 Chapter 70 enacted by the 126th Maine State Legislature.

SCHEDULE FOR ADOPTION: April 1, 2015.

AFFECTED PARTIES: Licensees.

CONSENSUS-BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT: Not contemplated.