- (iii) Cut into at least 3 longitudinal straps, each of which is —
- (A) Visually examined and found not to contain voids or discontinuities on the cut surfaces of the joint areas; and
- (B) Deformed by bending, torque, or impact, and if failure occurs, it must not initiate in the joint area.
- (c) A person must be requalified under an applicable procedure, if during any 12-month period that person—
  - (1) Does not make any joints under that procedure; or
- (2) Has 3 joints or 3 percent of the joints made, whichever is greater, under that procedure that are found unacceptable by testing under ss. 192.513.
- (d) Each operator shall establish a method to determine that each person making joints in plastic pipelines in his system is qualified in accordance with this section.
- 192.287 Plastic pipe; inspection of joints. No person may carry out the inspection of joints in plastic pipes required by ss. 192.273 (c) and 192.185 (b) unless that person has been qualified by appropriate training or experience in evaluating the acceptability of plastic pipe joints made under the applicable joining procedure.

## Subpart G—General Construction Requirements for Transmission Lines and Mains

## 192.301 Scope.

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This subpart prescribes minimum requirements for constructing transmission lines and mains.

- 192.303 Compliance with specifications or standards. Each transmission line or main must be constructed in accordance with comprehensive written specifications or standards that are consistent with this part.
- 192.305 Inspection: general. Each transmission line or main must be inspected to ensure that it is constructed in accordance with this part.

## 192.307 Inspection of materials.

Each length of pipe and each other component must be visually inspected at the site of installation to ensure that it has not sustained any visually determinable damage that could impair its serviceability.

- **PSC 192.307 Detection of gouges and grooves.** The field inspection provided on each job shall be suitable to reduce to an acceptable minimum the chances that gouged or grooved pipe will get into the finished transmission line or main. Inspection for this purpose just ahead of the coating operation and during the lowering in and backfill operation is required.
- 192.309 Repair of steel pipe. (a) Each imperfection or damage that impairs the serviceability of a length of steel pipe must be repaired or removed. If a repair is made by grinding, the remaining wall thickness must at least be equal to either:

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- (1) The minimum thickness required by the tolerances in the specification to which the pipe was manufactured; or
- (2) The nominal wall thickness required for the design pressures of the pipeline.
- (b) Each of the following dents must be removed from steel pipe to be operated at a pressure that produces a hoop stress of 20%, or more, of SMYS:
- (1) A dent that contains a stress concentrator such as a scratch, gouge, groove, or arc burn.
- (2) A dent that affects the longitudinal weld or a circumferential weld.
- (3) In pipe to be operated at a pressure that produces a hoop stress of 40% or more of SMYS, a dent that has a depth of—
- (i) More than one-quarter inch in pipe 12  $^{3}4$  inches or less in outer diameter; or
- (ii) More than 2% of the nominal pipe diameter in pipe over 12 ¾ inches in outer diameter.

For the purpose of this section a "dent" is a depression that produces a gross disturbance in the curvature of the pipe wall without reducing the pipe-wall thickness. The depth of a dent is measured as the gap between the lowest point of the dent and a prolongation of the original contour of the pipe.

- (c) Each arc burn on steel pipe to be operated at a pressure that produces a hoop stress of 40%, or more, of SMYS must be repaired or removed. If a repair is made by grinding, the arc burn must be completely removed and the remaining wall thickness must be at least equal to either:
- (1) The minimum wall thickness required by the tolerances in the specification to which the pipe was manufactured; or
- (2) The nominal wall thickness required for the design pressure of the pipeline.
- (d) A gouge, groove, arc burn, or dent may not be repaired by insert patching or by pounding out.
- (e) Each gouge, groove, arc burn, or dent that is removed from a length of pipe must be removed by cutting out the damaged portion as a cylinder.
- **PSC 192.309 (f)** Due primarily to climate conditions, gouges, grooves, notches, and dents have been found to be an important cause of steel pipe failures and an attempt shall be made to prevent or eliminate harmful defects of this nature. Subsection 192.309 (b) pertains to transmission lines and mains intended to operate at hoop stresses of 20% or 40% or more of the specified minimum yield strength. However, applicable portions of these paragraphs should also be applied to facilities intended to operate below this hoop stress level.

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