SECTION 23 1123 FACILITY NATURAL-GAS PIPING

PART 1 GENERAL

1.01 SECTION INCLUDES

A. Pipe, pipe fittings, valves, and connections for natural gas piping systems.

1.02 RELATED REQUIREMENTS

- A. Section 07 8400 Firestopping.
- B. Section 08 3100 Access Doors and Panels.
- C. Section 09 9113 Exterior Painting.
- D. Section 09 9123 Interior Painting.
- E. Section 22 0516 Expansion Fittings and Loops for Plumbing Piping.
- F. Section 22 0548 Vibration and Seismic Controls for Plumbing Piping and Equipment.
- G. Section 22 0719 Plumbing Piping Insulation.
- H. Section 23 0516 Expansion Fittings and Loops for HVAC Piping.
- I. Section 23 0548 Vibration and Seismic Controls for HVAC Piping and Equipment.
- J. Section 23 0553 Identification for HVAC Piping and Equipment.
- K. Section 26 2717 Equipment Wiring: Electrical characteristics and wiring connections.
- L. Section 31 2316 Excavation.
- M. Section 31 2316.13 Trenching.
- N. Section 31 2323 Fill.
- O. Section 33 5111 Site Gas Distribution.

1.03 REFERENCE STANDARDS

- A. ANSI Z21.18/CSA 6.3 Gas Appliance Pressure Regulators; 2007 (Reaffirmed 2012).
- B. ANSI Z21.80/CSA 6.22 Line Pressure Regulators; 2011 (Including Addendum 1).
- C. ANSI Z223.1 National Fuel Gas Code; 2015.
- D. ASME BPVC-IX Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section IX Welding, Brazing, and Fusing Qualifications; 2015.
- E. ASME B16.3 Malleable Iron Threaded Fittings: Classes 150 and 300; 2011.
- F. ASME B16.26 Cast Copper Alloy Fittings for Flared Copper Tubes; 2013.
- G. ASME B31.1 Power Piping; 2014.
- H. ASME B31.9 Building Services Piping; 2014.
- I. ASTM A47/A47M Standard Specification for Ferritic Malleable Iron Castings; 1999 (Reapproved 2014).
- J. ASTM A53/A53M Standard Specification for Pipe, Steel, Black and Hot-Dipped, Zinc-Coated, Welded and Seamless; 2012.
- K. ASTM A123/A123M Standard Specification for Zinc (Hot-Dip Galvanized) Coatings on Iron and Steel Products; 2015.
- L. ASTM A234/A234M Standard Specification for Piping Fittings of Wrought Carbon Steel and Alloy Steel for Moderate and High Temperature Service; 2015.
- M. ASTM B68/B68M Standard Specification for Seamless Copper Tube, Bright Annealed; 2011.
- N. ASTM B75/B75M Standard Specification for Seamless Copper Tube; 2011.
- O. ASTM B88 Standard Specification for Seamless Copper Water Tube; 2014.
- P. ASTM B88M Standard Specification for Seamless Copper Water Tube (Metric); 2013.

- Q. ASTM B813 Standard Specification for Liquid and Paste Fluxes for Soldering of Copper and Copper Alloy Tube; 2010.
- R. ASTM D2513 Standard Specification for Polyethylene (PE) Gas Pressure Pipe, Tubing, and Fittings; 2014.
- S. ASTM D2683 Standard Specification for Socket-Type Polyethylene Fittings for Outside Diameter-Controlled Polyethylene Pipe and Tubing; 2014.
- T. ASTM F708 Standard Practice for Design and Installation of Rigid Pipe Hangers; 1992 (Reapproved 2008).
- U. AWWA C105/A21.5 Polyethylene Encasement for Ductile-Iron Pipe Systems; 2010.
- V. AWWA C606 Grooved and Shouldered Joints; 2011.
- W. ICC-ES AC01 Acceptance Criteria for Expansion Anchors in Masonry Elements; 2012.
- X. ICC-ES AC106 Acceptance Criteria for Predrilled Fasteners (Screw Anchors) in Masonry Elements; 2012.
- Y. ICC-ES AC193 Acceptance Criteria for Mechanical Anchors in Concrete Elements; 2013.
- Z. ICC-ES AC308 Acceptance Criteria for Post-Installed Adhesive Anchors in Concrete Elements; 2013.
- AA. MSS SP-58 Pipe Hangers and Supports Materials, Design, Manufacture, Selection, Application, and Installation; 2009.
- AB. MSS SP-78 Cast Iron Plug Valves, Flanged and Threaded Ends; 2011.
- AC. MSS SP-110 Ball Valves Threaded, Socket-Welding, Solder Joint, Grooved and Flared Ends; 2010.

1.04 SUBMITTALS

- A. See Section 01 3000 Administrative Requirements, for submittal procedures.
- B. Product Data: Provide data on pipe materials, pipe fittings, valves, and accessories. Provide manufacturers catalog information. Indicate valve data and ratings.
- C. Welder Certificate: Include welders certification of compliance with ASME BPVC-IX.
- D. Project Record Documents: Record actual locations of valves.
- E. Maintenance Materials: Furnish the following for Owner's use in maintenance of project.
 1. See Section 01 6000 Product Requirements, for additional provisions.
 - 2. Valve Repacking Kits: One for each type and size of valve.

1.05 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Perform work in accordance with applicable codes.
- B. Valves: Manufacturer's name and pressure rating marked on valve body.
- C. Welding Materials and Procedures: Conform to ASME BPVC-IX and applicable state labor regulations.
- D. Welder Qualifications: Certified in accordance with ASME BPVC-IX.
- E. Identify pipe with marking including size, ASTM material classification, and ASTM specification.

1.06 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- A. Accept valves on site in shipping containers with labeling in place. Inspect for damage.
- B. Provide temporary end caps and closures on piping and fittings. Maintain in place until installation.
- C. Protect piping systems from entry of foreign materials by temporary covers, completing sections of the work, and isolating parts of completed system.

1.07 FIELD CONDITIONS

A. Do not install underground piping when bedding is wet or frozen.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.01 NATURAL GAS PIPING, BURIED BEYOND 5 FEET OF BUILDING

- A. Steel Pipe: ASTM A53/A53M, Schedule 40 black.
 - 1. Fittings: ASTM A234/A234M, wrought steel welding type, with AWWA C105/A21.5 polyethylene jacket or double layer, half-lapped 10 mil polyethylene tape.
 - 2. Joints: ASME B31.1, welded.

2.02 NATURAL GAS PIPING, BURIED WITHIN 5 FEET OF BUILDING

- A. Steel Pipe: ASTM A53/A53M, Schedule 40 black.
 - 1. Fittings: ASTM A234/A234M, wrought steel welding type.
 - 2. Joints: ANSI Z223.1, welded.
 - 3. Jacket: AWWA C105/A21.5 polyethylene jacket or double layer, half-lapped 10 mil polyethylene tape.

2.03 NATURAL GAS PIPING, ABOVE GRADE

- A. Steel Pipe: ASTM A53/A53M, Schedule 40 black.
 - 1. Fittings: ASME B16.3, malleable iron, or ASTM A234/A234M, wrought steel welding type.
 - 2. Joints: Threaded or welded to ASME B31.1.

2.04 FLANGES, UNIONS, AND COUPLINGS

- A. Unions for Pipe Sizes 3 Inches and Under:
 - 1. Ferrous pipe: Class 150 malleable iron threaded unions.
- B. Flanges for Pipe Size Over 1 Inch:
 - 1. Ferrous Pipe: Class 150 malleable iron threaded or forged steel slip-on flanges; preformed neoprene gaskets.
- C. Mechanical Couplings for Grooved and Shouldered Joints: Two or more curved housing segments with continuous key to engage pipe groove, circular C-profile gasket, and bolts to secure and compress gasket.
 - 1. Dimensions and Testing: In accordance with AWWA C606.
 - 2. Housing Material: Provide ASTM A47/A47M malleable iron, ductile iron, or _____, galvanized.
 - 3. Gasket Material: EPDM suitable for operating temperature range from minus 30 degrees F to 230 degrees F.
 - 4. Bolts and Nuts: Hot dipped galvanized or zinc-electroplated steel.
 - 5. When pipe is field grooved, provide coupling manufacturer's grooving tools.
 - 6. Manufacturers:
 - a. Grinnell Products, a Tyco Business; _____: www.grinnell.com.
 - b. Substitutions: See Section 01 6000 Product Requirements.
- D. Dielectric Connections: Union with galvanized or plated steel threaded end, copper solder end, water impervious isolation barrier.

2.05 PIPE HANGERS AND SUPPORTS

- A. Provide hangers and supports that comply with MSS SP-58.
 - 1. If type of hanger or support for a particular situation is not indicated, select appropriate type using MSS SP-58 recommendations.
 - 2. Overhead Supports: Individual steel rod hangers attached to structure or to trapeze hangers.
 - a. Cold and Hot Pipe Sizes 6 Inches and Over: Double hangers.
 - 3. Trapeze Hangers: Welded steel channel frames attached to structure.
 - 4. Vertical Pipe Support: Steel riser clamp.
 - 5. Floor Supports: Concrete pier or steel pedestal with floor flange; fixture attachment.
 - 6. Rooftop Supports for Low-Slope Roofs: Steel pedestals with bases that rest on top of roofing membrane with slip sheet of same material as roofing membrane, not requiring any

attachment to the roof structure and not penetrating the roofing assembly, with support fixtures as specified; and as follows:

- a. Bases: High density polypropylene.
- b. Base Sizes: As required to distribute load sufficiently to prevent indentation of roofing assembly.
- c. Steel Components: Stainless steel, or carbon steel hot-dip galvanized after fabrication in accordance with ASTM A123/A123M.
- d. Attachment/Support Fixtures: As recommended by manufacturer, same type as indicated for equivalent indoor hangers and supports; corrosion resistant material.
- e. Height: Provide minimum clearance of 6 inches under pipe to top of roofing.
- B. Hanger Fasteners: Attach hangers to structure using appropriate fasteners, as follows:
 - 1. Concrete Wedge Expansion Anchors: Complying with ICC-ES AC193.
 - 2. Masonry Wedge Expansion Anchors: Complying with ICC-ES AC01.
 - 3. Concrete Screw Type Anchors: Complying with ICC-ES AC193.
 - 4. Masonry Screw Type Anchors: Complying with ICC-ES AC106.

2.06 BALL VALVES

- A. Manufacturers:
 - 1. Conbraco Industries, Inc; _____: www.apollovalves.com.
 - 2. Grinnell Products, a Tyco Business; _____: www.grinnell.com.
 - 3. Milwaukee Valve Company; _____: www.milwaukeevalve.com.
 - 4. Nibco, Inc; ____: www.nibco.com.
 - 5. Uponor, Inc.; _____: www.uponorpro.com.
 - 6. Substitutions: See Section 01 6000 Product Requirements.
- B. Construction, 4 Inches and Smaller: MSS SP-110, Class 150, 400 psi CWP, bronze or ductile iron body, 304 stainless steel ball, regular port, Teflon seats and stuffing box ring, blow-out proof stem, lever handle with balancing stops, threaded or grooved ends with union.

2.07 STRAINERS

- A. Manufacturers:
 - 1. Armstrong International, Inc; _____: www.armstronginternational.com.
 - 2. WEAMCO; ____: www.weamco.com.
- B. Size 2 inch and Under:
 - 1. Threaded brass body for 175 psi CWP, Y pattern with 1/32 inch stainless steel perforated screen.
 - 2. Class 150, threaded bronze body 300 psi CWP, Y pattern with 1/32 inch stainless steel perforated screen.
- C. Size 1-1/2 inch to 4 inch:
 - 1. Class 125, flanged iron body, Y pattern with 1/16 inch stainless steel perforated screen.
- D. Size 5 inch and Larger:
 - 1. Class 125, flanged iron body, basket pattern with 1/8 inch stainless steel perforated screen.

2.08 LINE PRESSURE REGULATORS AND APPLIANCE REGULATORS INDICATORS

- A. Manufacturers:
 - 1. Actaris Metering Systems (A brand of ITT Controls); _____: www.actaris-metering-systems.com.
 - 2. Maxitrol Company; ____: www.maxitrol.com.
 - 3. Substitutions: See Section 01 6000 Product Requirements.
- B. Compliance Requirements:
 - 1. Appliance Regulator: ANSI Z21.18/CSA 6.3.
 - 2. Line Pressure Regulator: ANSI Z21.80/CSA 6.22.
- C. Materials in Contact With Gas:

- 1. Housing: Aluminum, steel (free of non-ferrous metals).
- 2. Seals and Diaphragms: NBR-based rubber.
- D. Maximum Inlet Operating Pressure: 10 psi.
 - 1. Appliance Regulator: 10 psi.
 - 2. Line Pressure Regulator: 10 psi.
- E. Maximum Body Pressure: 10 psi.
- F. Output Pressure Range: 1 inch wc to 80 inch wc.

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.01 INSTALLATION

- A. Install in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
- B. Provide non-conducting dielectric connections wherever jointing dissimilar metals.
- C. Route piping in orderly manner and maintain gradient. Route parallel and perpendicular to walls.
- D. Group piping whenever practical at common elevations.
- E. Install piping to allow for expansion and contraction without stressing pipe, joints, or connected equipment. Refer to Section 22 0516.
- F. Provide clearance in hangers and from structure and other equipment for installation of insulation and access to valves and fittings.
 - 1. Refer to Section 22 0719.
- G. Provide access where valves and fittings are not exposed.
 - 1. Coordinate size and location of access doors with Section 08 3100.
- H. Install vent piping penetrating roofed areas to maintain integrity of roof assembly; refer to Section 075323.
- I. Where pipe support members are welded to structural building framing, scrape, brush clean, and apply one coat of zinc rich primer to welding.
- J. Provide support for utility meters in accordance with requirements of utility companies.
- K. Prepare exposed, unfinished pipe, fittings, supports, and accessories ready for finish painting.
 - 1. Painting of interior piping systems and components is specified in Section 09 9123.
 - 2. Painting of exterior piping systems and components is specified in Section 09 9113.
- L. Excavate in accordance with Section 31 2316.
- M. Backfill in accordance with Section 31 2323.
- N. Install valves with stems upright or horizontal, not inverted.
- O. Pipe vents from gas pressure reducing valves to outdoors and terminate in weather proof hood.
- P. Sleeve pipes passing through partitions, walls and floors.
- Q. Pipe Hangers and Supports:
 - 1. Install in accordance with ASME B31.9.
 - 2. Support horizontal piping as scheduled.
 - 3. Install hangers to provide minimum 1/2 inch space between finished covering and adjacent work.
 - 4. Place hangers within 12 inches of each horizontal elbow.
 - 5. Use hangers with 1-1/2 inch minimum vertical adjustment. Design hangers for pipe movement without disengagement of supported pipe.
 - 6. Support vertical piping at every other floor. Support riser piping independently of connected horizontal piping.
 - 7. Where several pipes can be installed in parallel and at same elevation, provide multiple or trapeze hangers.
 - 8. Prime coat exposed steel hangers and supports. Hangers and supports located in crawl spaces, pipe shafts, and suspended ceiling spaces are not considered exposed.

- a. Painting of interior piping systems and components is specified in Section 09 9123.
- b. Painting of exterior piping systems and components is specified in Section 09 9113.
- 9. Provide hangers adjacent to motor driven equipment with vibration isolation; refer to Section 22 0548.

3.02 APPLICATION

- A. Install unions downstream of valves and at equipment or apparatus connections.
- B. Install brass male adapters each side of valves in copper piped system. Solder adapters to pipe.
- C. Install ball valves for shut-off and to isolate equipment, part of systems, or vertical risers.
- D. Provide plug valves in natural gas systems for shut-off service.

3.03 SERVICE CONNECTIONS

A. Provide new gas service complete with gas meter and regulators in accordance with Section 33 5111. Gas service distribution piping to have initial minimum pressure of 7 inch wg. Provide regulators on each line serving gravity type appliances, sized in accordance with equipment.

3.04 SCHEDULES

- A. Pipe Hanger Spacing:
 - 1. Metal Piping:
 - a. Pipe Size: 1/2 inches to 1-1/4 inches:
 - 1) Maximum Hanger Spacing: 6.5 ft.
 - 2) Hanger Rod Diameter: 3/8 inches.
 - b. Pipe Size: 1-1/2 inches to 2 inches:
 - 1) Maximum Hanger Spacing: 10 ft.
 - 2) Hanger Rod Diameter: 3/8 inch.
 - c. Pipe Size: 2-1/2 inches to 3 inches:
 - 1) Maximum Hanger Spacing: 10 ft.
 - 2) Hanger Rod Diameter: 1/2 inch.
 - d. Pipe Size: 4 inches to 6 inches:
 - 1) Maximum Hanger Spacing: 10 ft.
 - 2) Hanger Rod Diameter: 5/8 inch.

END OF SECTION 23 1123