Interpretation: 25-01

Subject: ASME B30.25-1998, Para. 25-1.7.3(b)
Date Issued: May 30, 2001

Question (1): What is meant by “load control devices”?

Reply (1): A “load control device” is a device on the lifting end of a boom, arm, and jib cylinders that is intended to prevent the front from uncontrolled descent in the event of a hydraulic line failure.

Question (2): Why is this provision a recommendation and not a requirement?

Reply (2): These devices are a newly suggested requirement for U.S. manufacturers and the B30 Committee feels that making the provision a recommendation will allow manufacturers time to develop load control devices. The B30 Committee will monitor the effectiveness of these devices and consider making the provision a requirement in future editions of the B30.25 Standard.
Interpretation: 25-02

Subject: ASME B30.25-2007, Paragraph 25-3.2.4(b) Date
Issued: February 1, 2011

Question: Is it acceptable to have the trainer stand on the catwalk outside of the cab while the trainee operates the unit?
Reply: No, unless it was designated for that purpose by the manufacturer.