Interpretation: 08-2

Subject: ASME B16.36-1996, pressure tap hole

Date Issued: March 13, 2008

Record: 07-1463

Question (1): Does Paragraph 8.3 and Note 1 to Tables 1 through 6 of ASME B16.36–1996 permit the pressure tap hole size to be other than NPT or NPS 1/2?

Reply (1): Yes

Question (2): Does ASME B16.36–1996 require that the flange wall thickness surrounding the pressure tap holes be in accordance with the socket wall thickness listed in ASME B16.11?

Reply (2): No.

Question (3): Does ASME B16.36–1996 address the influence on orifice flange pressure-temperature ratings as a result of using tap holes that are larger than the values cited in paragraph 8.3?

Reply (3): No.
Interpretation: 08-1

Subject: ASME B16.36-1996, Table 1

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Question: In accordance with ASME B16.36-1996, may the dimensions given in ASME B16.5-2003, Table 10, Templates for Drilling Class 300 Flanges, be used in lieu of the dimensions given in B16.36-1996, Table 1, Class 300 Orifice Flanges, Welding Neck, Slip-on and Threaded?

Reply: No.

Interpretation: 1-1

Subject: Flange Facing Finish

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File: B16-93-016

Question: According to B16.36-1988, may Class 600 flanges NPS 3 and smaller be furnished with a 0.06 in. raised face?

Reply: Yes. See Note (3) to Table 1.