BOARD ON STANDARDIZATION & TESTING POLICIES

1.0 BST Ballot of Proposed Reaffirmations (BoS Minutes 9/95, Revised BST 5/2010)

The Board on Standardization & Testing states that when balloting the reaffirmation of an ASME standard, a copy of the standard does not have to be attached. BST members may request a copy of the balloted standard if it is not available on the Committee Web pages in PDF format.

2.0 Addenda Service (BoS Minutes 3/96, clarified 3/97, Deleted 5/2010)

Deleted May 2010.

3.0 Requests for Research (BoS Minutes 3/97, Revised BST 5/2010)

The Board on Standardization & Testing reminds each standards committee (Main Committee) that requests for research, either to the ASME Center for Research and Technology Development or the ASME Standards Technology, LLC Committees, for research work from an ASME Committee, shall be processed through the Board and when appropriate the C&S Board of Directors.

4.0 Interpretation of Standards (BoS Minutes 9/97)

The Board on Standardization & Testing directs each standards committee (Main Committee) to select either of the following options regarding interpretation for all their standards:

a) the Committee does not issue written interpretations of their currently published standards and future Editions of their standards
b) the Committee does issue written interpretations of their currently published standards and future Editions of their standards.

The Board Secretary will record which option each standards committee chose and when it was applied.

5.0 Patented Items (BoS Minutes 9/97)

The Board on Standardization & Testing directs standards committees (Main Committees) to consider each request for inclusion of a patented item on its own merit based on the benefits provided to the affected industry by inclusion of a patented item in the pertinent standard.

6.0 Use of “M” in the Designation of ASME Standards (BoS Minutes 9/98)

The Board on Standardization & Testing directs standards committees that the M be included in the designation of those ASME Standards (under the jurisdiction of the Board on Standardization & testing) that contain metric only, and not be included in the designation of Standards that are none measurement sensitive or have dual units.

The Board also recommended that ASME Standards include the type of units in the title, when appropriate.