

Process for tracking and approving Intent Interpretations in C&S Connect

The process applies to Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code Committees.

Background:

CSP – 33 (e) Intent Interpretations

Technical inquiries that cannot be answered on the basis of existing wording of the pertinent standard may be answerable by an “intent” interpretation. Intent interpretations are permitted only to clarify conflicting or ambiguous wording or to resolve incorrect wording. An intent interpretation shall be submitted to the consensus committee for approval along with the revision(s) to the standard that support the intent interpretation. Both the intent interpretation and the revision(s) to the standard must be approved for the interpretation to be issued.

The BPV Committee procedural supplements state that “An intent interpretation ***shall*** be submitted to the standards committee for approval along with the revision(s) to the standard that support the intent interpretation.”

The following is the process for tracking BPV intent interpretations in light of recent changes to C&S Connect.

Process:

1. A request for interpretation is submitted via the Interpretation Submittal Form (<http://cstools.asme.org/Interpretation/InterpretationForm.cfm>).

- The inquirer may be a code user or a member of a committee.

2. The committee, staff secretary, or project manager reviews the interpretation record and determines it is an intent interpretation. Each BPV Standards Committee should have a procedure that is followed to make this determination.

3. The staff secretary opens a component record to process the intent interpretation and proposed revision. The record is filled out as a revision record would be, with subject, proposal, explanation, summary of changes, and a project technical manager (volunteer).

3A. The staff secretary selects the record subtype of “Intent Interp & Prop Rev”

New Component Record#

* Required field

A. Record Information

1. Record# ? To be determined	2. Primary Committee Responsible ? BPV SC-VIII SGGR	3. Record Level ? SC Proposal	4. Record Sub-Type ? Select Record Sub-Type Administrative Awards Conformity Assessment Matters Errata Intent Interp & Prop Rev Object & Scope Reaffirmation Revision White Paper
Committees Involved in This Record			
5. Board ?		6. Standards Committee ?	
Boards Included		Select Standards Committee	
Start typing ASME ST LLC Management Committee Board on Codes and Standards Operations Board on Conformity Assessment Board on Hearings and Appeals Board on NCS			
7. Sub-Tier Committee ?			
Committees Included			
Start typing A112 Plumb Malt & Equipmt A112 PT 1.2 Air Gaps A112 PT 1.3 Air Gap/Brik Dev			

3B. The staff secretary links the component record to the associated interpretation record. This is important because interpretation record is the vehicle for displaying the final wording, as issued, in the interpretations database.

The screenshot shows the 'Search Related Records' page in the C&S Connect - Staging system. The page title is '2. Select a record from the list, or search again.' Below the title, there are search and window control buttons. A table lists records with columns for Record#, Primary Committee, Subject, Project Manager, Record Level, and Add This Record. The first record is 14-7855, BPV VIII, with subject '- Intent Interp Process Demo' and project manager 'Thomas Pastor'. The 'Record Level' is 'Stds Comm Proposal' and 'Add This Record' is checked. A 'Link these Records' button is next to the record. Annotations with red arrows point to the 'Link these Records' button and the 'Add This Record' checkbox, with labels '2. Verify linking correct record' and '3. Create the link.' respectively. To the right, another 'Link these Records' button is shown with an annotation '2. Related Committee Records'. A search box is labeled '1. Search for the associated interp'. Below the table, there are 'All Records', 'Search Related Records', and navigation buttons. At the bottom, there is a section for '4. Secondary Committee[s] w/Related Actions ?' with sub-sections for 'All Committees', 'Pending Committees', and 'Committees Responded'.

Now upon viewing either the component record or the interpretation record, you have the ability to see the associated record and view it in more detail by selecting the blue link.

2. Project Manager Notes
None

G. Sub-Tier Committee Level

1. Original Inquirer Contact Information
None

2. Project Team Name **3. Project Team Members**
None None

4. Subcommittee Item History
None

H. Additional Committee information

1. Codes Affected by Proposed Revision **2. Related Committee Records**
None **Warning: Not All Records Standards Committee Approved**

14-7855 BPV VIII Stds Comm Proposal

3. Proposal Keywords
None

4. Secondary Committee[s] w/Related Actions

Click here to open the associated record.

4. The component record proceeds following the normal approval process. Once the revision has been approved by the cognizant Board, the interpretation, with the revision, shall be issued to the inquirer, and the interpretation record updated accordingly.

5. In order for the interpretation to appear in the interpretation database, the staff secretary needs to enter the approved Question(s) and Reply(ies) into the interpretation record, upload the signed issuance letter, and mark the Record Level as “Issued.”

B. Record Description

1. Subject * ?

Standard Designation *	Edition/Addenda *	Paragraph/Fig./Table No. *
BPV Section VIII Div 1	2013	U-1

Subject Description *
- Intent Interp Process Demo

2. Proposed Question(s) and Reply(ies) *

Question: Is the intent of paragraph X to permit us to make stuff and things ?

Reply: Yes.

Updated text exactly matching the letter sent to the inquirer as seen in the signed issuance letter file.

3. Explanation *
Demo of the process for approving BPV intent interps.

C. File Attachments

1. Background File
Browse... Description: []

2. Proposal File ?
Browse... Description: []

3. Committee Correspondence File ?
Browse... Description: []

4. Signed Issuance Letter
C:\Users\SharpDI\Desktop\ Browse... Description: Issued Interp 11/7/14

Copy of the letter sent to the inquirer

View/Manage File Attachments

Update Record

Update Interpretations Record# 14-7855

* Required field

A. Record Information

1. Record# ? 14-7855	2. Primary Committee Responsible ? BPV SC-VIII SGGR	3. Record Level ? Slds Comm Proposal	4. Record Sub-Type * ? Interpretations
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Committees Involved in This Record

5. Board ?

Boards Included

Start typing

- ASME ST LLC Management Committee
- Board on Codes and Standards Operations
- Board on Conformity Assessment
- Board on Hearings and Appeals
- Board on NCS

7. Sub-Tier Committee ?

Committees Included

Start typing

- A112 Plumb Mall & Equipmt
- A112 PT 1.2 Air Gaps
- A112 PT 1.3 Air Gap/Brk Dev
- A112 PT 14.1 Backwater Drive
- A112 PT 14.3 Grease Incep

Record is marked issued, triggering its display in the database

6. The success of the process can be verified by looking at the linkage in each record.

When viewing the interpretation record, the link should look like this:

H. Additional Committee information

1. Codes Affected by Proposed Revision None	2. Related Committee Records 14-7856 BPV SC-VIII SGGR Board Approved
3. Proposal Keywords None	
4. Secondary Committee[s] w/Related Actions	

When viewing the component record, the link should look like this:

H. Additional Committee information

1. Codes Affected by Proposed Revision None	2. Related Committee Records 14-7855 BPV SC-VIII SGGR Issued
3. Proposal Keywords	

Final Note: To reference the associated revision record in the interpretations database, a sentence can be added to the Proposed Question and Reply field (B2) during the updating of the interpretation record:

B. Record Description

1. Subject *

Standard Designation * BPV Section VIII Div 1	Edition/Addenda * 2013	Paragraph/Fig./Table No. * U-1
Subject Description * - Intent Interp Process Demo		

2. Proposed Question(s) and Reply(ies) *

make sure and things ?

Reply: Yes. ^

This interpretation has an associated code revision approved under record 14-7955 v

3. Explanation *

Demo of the process for approving BPV intent interps. ^

C. File Attachments

1. Background File

Browse... Description: