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1. Scope

This Practice provides requirements for suppliers providing carbon steel ball valves included in PIP Pipeline Systems Line Class Material Specifications.

2. References

Applicable parts of the following Practice shall be considered an integral part of this Practice. The edition in effect on the date of contract award shall be used, except as otherwise noted. Short titles will be used herein where appropriate.

2.1 Process Industry Practices (PIP)

- PIP PLCM0004 – *Pipeline Systems Valve Commodity Codes Designator System*

3. Valve Designation System

- 3.1 For a full explanation of the format used to structure the valve numbers listed within this Practice, refer to *PIP PLCM0004*.
- 3.2 This Practice provides descriptions for ball valves. Therefore, the two characters following the Pipeline Systems identifier, L, in the valve numbers are BA.
- 3.3 The valves listed in Section 5 and Section 6 of this Practice are sorted by the unique valve number designation in ascending alphanumeric sequence (e.g., LBA01CA500, LBA01CA501, LBA01CB500, LBA01CB501, LBA03CA500).

4. Notes

- 4.1 Occasionally, valve size ranges listed in this Practice are broader than the size ranges shown for the same valves on a given piping line class specification. While the “most common practice” has been used to specify valve size ranges on line class specifications, a purchaser may need to utilize a valve in a size outside this “common practice” choice. Thus, for reference purposes, the full size range for which a given valve is typically manufactured is shown in this Practice.
- 4.2 Gear operators are specified in some, but not all, ball valve descriptions. If not specified in the valve description, the purchaser shall specify that gear operators are needed. One method of specifying this need is by using Field 5 of the valve designation system as described in *PIP PLCM0004*.
- 4.3 Many ball valve manufacturers offer numerous operator options (e.g., locking/nonlocking, latching/nonlatching, oval, tee). As a default, valve descriptions within this Practice only specify the manufacturer’s standard lever. The purchaser shall specify a different operator if required.
- 4.4 If fluids can be trapped (e.g., in double-seated valves) and subject to heating and subsequent expansion, means of pressure relief shall be considered to avoid excessive pressure built-up.
- 4.5 Because of current practice at many pipeline facilities, only NACE-compliant valves are specified. These valves are technically acceptable for both sweet and sour services. For

use of non-NACE-compliant valves or for applications involving severe sour and corrosive services, engineering review is required.

- 4.6 Pressure and temperature rating can be limited by certain components (e.g. soft seats and seals) permitted by this Practice. Manufacturers' recommended pressure-temperature restrictions shall be consulted.
- 4.7 It is common pipeline practice to inject inhibitors and other chemicals for corrosion control. The manufacturer shall be consulted on the suitability of service under these conditions for all components (including soft seats and seals) permitted by this Practice.

5. Cross Reference

<u>Valve Number</u>	<u>Applicable Line Classes (PLX-)</u>
LBA01CB500	1CS5S01
LBA01CB501	1CS5S01
LBA01CB502	1CS5S01
LBA01CB503	1CS5S01
LBA03CB300	3CS5S01
LBA03CB500	3CS5S01
LBA03CB501	3CS5S01
LBA03CB502	3CS5S01
LBA03CB503	3CS5S01
LBA06CB500	3CS5S01
LBA06CB501	6CS5S01
LBA06CB502	6CS5S01
LBA09CB500	6CS5S01
LBA09CB501	9CS5S01
LBA15CB500	9CS5S01
LBA15CB501	15CS5S01