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POLICY NOTIFICATION

Application of Code Cases

The intent of this Policy Notification is to provide information on the applicability and use of Code Cases in North Carolina. An explanation as to what constitutes a Code Case and how Code Cases can be used prove useful.

In accordance with ASME, Code Cases are formulated *“to clarify the intent of existing requirements or provide, when the need us urgent, rules for materials or constructions not covered by the existing Code Rules.”*

Code Cases are not considered part of the Code in North Carolina. The ASME Code states *“Manufacturers and users of components are cautioned against making use of revisions and Code Cases that are less restrictive than former requirements without having assurance that they have been accepted by the proper authorities in the jurisdiction where the component is to be installed.”* Approval must be obtained from the Chief Inspector before bringing equipment into the state for which a Code Case was utilized.

Should the use of a Code Case for components destined for use outside of North Carolina be considered, the jurisdiction where the component will be used must first be contacted to ensure that the Code Case is acceptable.

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