

BULLETIN 01-2013

April, 2013

**TO: OIL COMPANIES
OIL FIELD SERVICE COMPANIES
OIL FIELD ENGINE SUPPLY COMPANIES
LICENSED GAS CONTRACTORS**

**SUBJECT: SASKATCHEWAN/ALBERTA HARMONIZED OILFIELD EQUIPMENT
CERTIFICATION NOTICE**

SaskPower Gas Inspections issued Bulletin 03-2011 on June 15, 2011 to the oilfield industry, in part stating:

SaskPower Gas Inspections and Alberta Municipal Affairs Safety Services (Gas) have been in discussions concerning a joint deadline date of January 1, 2015 for all gas-burning appliances and equipment in oilfield applications which have not as yet been certified under the applicable code (chiefly CSA B149.3) and are still in operation, to be certified for the latest edition of the applicable code. While no decision on this deadline date has been made for Saskatchewan, comments from industry are welcome at this time.

On January 12, 2013, Alberta Municipal Affairs, Safety Services issued Notice of Expiration of Var Gas 05-05, in part stating:

As of January 1, 2015, all appliances and equipment utilizing gas as a fuel in the oil and gas industry shall be certified or approved as required by section 3 of the Gas Code Regulation.

Having received no opposing communications from industry, SaskPower Gas Inspections is proceeding with the issuance of this bulletin.

As of January 1, 2015, all appliance and equipment utilizing gas as a fuel in the oil and gas industry shall be certified or approved as required by Section 26 of *The Gas Inspection Act, 1993*. Section 26 states:

(1) No person shall manufacture, sell or offer for sale, display, advertise, rent or use of otherwise provide or offer for use any gas equipment, or attempt to do any of those things, unless the gas equipment is:

- (a) approved; or*
- (b) certified by a prescribed testing laboratory.*

(2) All gas equipment must bear evidence, in a matter satisfactory to the chief inspector, of the approval or certification mentioned in subsection (1).

(3) All gas equipment is subject to inspection by an inspector.

Since the issuance of Bulletin 01-2006 on June 28, 2006, the oilfield industry has been aware of their responsibility for uncertified equipment to be field approved in compliance with the current issue of CSA B149.3 and that the resources exist to do so through the SaskPower Field Approval Program, or through an Inspection Body accredited to do so by the Standards Council of Canada.

Thank you for your co-operation in the matters of public safety.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Syed Asif Ali". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S'.

Syed Asif Ali, P. Eng.
Chief Gas Inspector

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