



State of Wisconsin

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

CORRESPONDENCE / MEMORANDUM

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TO: Owners and Operators of Boilers, Pressure Vessels, Mechanical Refrigeration Power piping, Refrigeration Piping Contractors, Gas System and Anhydrous Ammonia Installers

FROM: Rick Merkle
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SUBJECT: Inspections of Boilers, Pressure Vessels, Mechanical Refrigeration, Power and Refrigeration piping, and Gas Systems and Anhydrous Ammonia.
ss. SPS 302.04, 302.11 Wis. Adm. Code, *Fees*
s.SPS 340, 341, 343 and SPS 345,
s. SPS 341.24, Wis. Adm. Code, Permit to Operate

Wisconsin administrative rules require the Department of Safety and Professional Services to inspect Boilers, Pressure Vessels, Mechanical Refrigeration, Power and Refrigeration piping, Gas Systems and Anhydrous Ammonia; issue Permits to Operate (PTO) for code compliant installations; and charge fees for these inspections and Permits to Operate (PTO). These inspections are conducted to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public and employees by establishing minimum standards for the design, construction, installation, operation, inspection, design review, testing, maintenance, alteration and repair of boilers and pressure vessels installed in all public buildings and places of employment. This recognition also includes performance and design reviews when required.

Because of the number of inspections that must be conducted, **Damarc Quality Inspection Services, LLC** has been recognized to conduct Boilers, Pressure Vessels, Mechanical Refrigeration, Power and Refrigeration piping, Gas System and Anhydrous Ammonia inspections as an agent of the Department. Each authorized Damarc inspector has been issued an identification card identifying him or her as a Boiler/Pressure Vessel inspector. Please allow this inspector to conduct these required inspections on your premises.

Damarc Quality Inspection, LLC is also recognized as a third party providing inspection services for the construction of boilers and pressure vessels in accordance with ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code sections I, IV, VIII Division 1.

When Damarc conducts an inspection, they will place a sticker/label on the item which indicates and inspection was performed on a specific date along with the inspector's name/initials that performed the inspection. They then will forward an inspection report to the Department. If the inspector observes violations, the inspector will issue corrective orders and schedule a re-inspection if necessary. After the second inspection, the Department will be notified of uncorrected violations, which may be referred to the district attorney for prosecution. If no violations are observed, the Damarc inspector will notify the Department to issue a Permit to Operate (PTO), which is required to operate the device according to Wisconsin Administrative Code.

Owners will receive two invoices, one from Damarc and a second from the Department. The invoice from Damarc will cover the cost of the inspection(s). Inspection fees are set by the department to reflect actual costs. The second invoice will be mailed by the Department and cover the cost for the Permit to Operate (PTO). The Permit to Operate fee is \$50 per device.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Rick Merkle at 262-521-5065 or email, at Rick.Merkle@Wisconsin.gov, The Damarc Co. office manager for Wisconsin is Mark Rudek. His telephone number is 1-866-361-4321 or email at markrudek@hotmail.com