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PREFACE

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This Standard incorporates Amendment No. 1 (September 2017). The changes required by the Amendment are indicated in the text by a marginal bar and amendment number against the clause, note, table, figure or part thereof affected.

The objective of this Standard is to provide purchasers and manufacturers of petroleum pipelines with a Standard for the specification of pipeline coatings using external fusion-bonded epoxy.

The fusion-bonded epoxy coating referred to in this Standard is to be applied only to external surfaces of pipes.

Attention is drawn to the fact that this Standard does not purport to satisfy all requirements for pipelines.

The terms ‘normative’ and ‘informative’ have been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which they apply. A ‘normative’ appendix is an integral part of a Standard, whereas an ‘informative’ appendix is only for information and guidance.

Statements expressed in mandatory terms in notes to figures and tables are deemed to be requirements of this Standard. All other notes are for information and guidance only.

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SECTION 1 SCOPE AND GENERAL

1.1 SCOPE

This Standard specifies requirements for external fusion-bonded epoxy (FBE) coating of steel pipes for protection against corrosion. It includes coating in the mill and coating in the field.

NOTES:

- 1 Guidelines to purchasers on information that should be supplied by the purchaser and those variables that should or may be agreed upon at the time of inquiry or order are given in Appendix A.
- 2 Line pipe manufactured in accordance with API 5L may not be suitable for application of FBE coating without requiring additional surface preparation. Surface imperfections in the form of steel slivers, burrs and laminations can cause excessive holidays, resulting in the need for extra surface cleaning, grinding or filing.
- 3 Line pipe manufactured in accordance with API 5L may require a more stringent straightness specification to allow coating in accordance with this Standard.
- 4 Consideration should be given to strain ageing when specifying line-pipe for FBE coating. Guidance is given in Clause 3.1.2, Note 3.

Methods for demonstrating compliance with this Standard are given in Appendix B.

1.2 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS

The following documents are referred to in this Standard:

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| 1199 | Sampling procedures and tables for inspection by attributes |
| 1399 | Guide to AS 1199—Sampling procedures and tables for inspection by attributes |
| 1627 | Metal finishing—Preparation and pre-treatment of surfaces |
| 1627.4 | Part 4: Abrasive blast cleaning |
| 2490 | Sampling procedures and charts for inspection by variables for percent nonconforming |
| 3894 | Site testing of protective coatings |
| 3894.1 | Part 1: Non-conductive coatings—Continuity testing—High voltage ('brush') method |

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| 2243 | Safety in laboratories |
| 2243.2 | Part 2: Chemical aspects |
| 2990 | Quality systems for engineering and construction projects |
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| 3894.6 | Part 6: Determination of residual contaminants |