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Minutes

Board of Boiler Rules
Department of Fire Services
One State Road, Stow, MA 01775
Meeting of September 4, 2025

Prior to opening this meeting, the Chairman reminded attendees that recording the meeting without prior permission of the Board is strictly prohibited. This meeting is being recorded by DFS staff for the purpose of generating meeting minutes.

Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Ed Kawa, at 10:05 A.M. The Chairman opened this meeting of the Board of Boiler Rules, explaining that in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 146 Section 3, the Board is conducting a regular meeting. Please note, in accordance with the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, this public meeting is being recorded for purpose of generating meeting minutes. By continuing to participate in or attend this meeting, you consent to the recording. If you do not wish to be recorded, please exit the meeting now.

1) Attendance

Board Members Present:

Edward Kawa, Chairman Charles Perry, Boiler Manufacturers Anthony Lucia, Operating Engineers Douglas Smiley, Insurance Companies Max Greig, User Group

Board Members Not Present:

None

DFS Staff Present:

Rachel Perlman, DFS Dan Laperle, DFS Sonya Frade, DFS Gregory Folsom, DFS Andrew Crear, DFS Ross Rapoza, DFS



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Attendees Present:

Joe P. Tysen, MPPGEN Mike Robillard, Sompo Christopher Fialkowsi, FM Global Chris Hasting, Chubb Adam, Kahn, FOLEY HOAG John King, Chubb Kayla Inouye, CINFIN Sara Castegini, CFS Jacqueline Farnsworth, CFS Mike O'Neill, CFS Valeria Riccardo, CFS

- 2) <u>Minutes from previous meetings</u>: The minutes from previous meeting held on May 01, 2025, were reviewed. *Motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on May 01, 2025, made by Anthony Lucia, seconded by Doug Smiley; motion passed by unanimous vote.*
- 3) <u>Petitions for inspectional considerations</u>: The following requests for extension of the inspectional requirement received since the last regular meeting in September were entered into record:
 - a. Dartmouth Power, request dtd March 21, 2025, for a 1-month extension of the inspectional requirement for MA071136
 - b. Haartz Corporation, request dtd May 23, 2025, for a 1-month extension of the inspectional requirement for MA140379, MA140380
 - c. Plating for Electronics, request dtd June 27, 2025, for a 2-month extension of the inspectional requirement of MAS065115
 - d. Holy Family Hospital, request dtd July 29, 2025, for a 2-month extension of the inspectional requirement for MA064222

Motion to approve these extensions as read made by Anthony Lucia, seconded by Charlie Perry; motion passed by unanimous vote.

4) <u>Inquiry from Commonwealth Fusion Systems</u>: The Chairman continued the discussion from the previous meeting, having received an inquiry from Commonwealth Fusion Systems, which is currently building a nuclear fusion reactor, and requests the Board's concurrence that the pressurized helium-containing component of the vacuum vessel is not jurisdictional under 522 CMR, specifically regarding Chapter 7/Air Tanks and Chapter 3/Atomic Energy of 522 CMR. CFS provided a slide presentation of the Vacuum Vessel and its construction. Following the presentation, the Chairman and Board members requested that CFS clarify certain statements included in the letter to the Board dated May 29, 2025. The Chairman stated that the request for

additional clarification and information would be put in writing in a letter to CFS from the Board, allowing CFS to respond in writing to the request. The Board is seeking to obtain copies of the License issued to CFS by the Massachusetts Radiation Control Program, a copy of the definition of a Fusion Machine as stated in the ADVANCE Act, Public Law 118-67, information regarding the vessel manufacturers' ASME accreditation, and the Authorized Inspection Agency. CFS responded to the questions, stating that they would provide copies of the requested documentation and respond to the Board's written request for information.

5) Updates from DFS Staff:

a. The Chairman announced DFS staff retirements of

Holly Bartlett, DFS BPV Program Coordinator

Holly Bartlett has over 18 years of service with the Commonwealth and 15 of them with Department Public Safety and Department Fire Services. Many of you know Holly as the Board of Boiler Rules administrator.

District Engineering Inspector John Lawrence

Inspector Lawrence had 14 years of Service as the District # 5 Inspector.

His District assignment included the North shore area within Essex, Middlesex and Suffolk counties.

District Engineering Inspector Jeffrey Isabelle

Inspector Isabelle has 10 years of Service at the District # 3 Inspector. His District assignment included the western Mass are within Hampden, Hampshire, Franklin and Berkshire counties.

- 6) Matters not reasonably anticipated: None
- 7) Adjournment of Meeting: The next meeting will be on Thursday, October 02, 2025. Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Anthony Lucia, seconded by Doug Smiley; motion passed by majority vote, regular meeting adjourned at 11:02AM.

List of Documents/Exhibits Used at this Meeting

- i) Minutes from meeting on May 01, 2025
- ii) Extension Requests
 - (1) Dartmouth Power
 - (2) Haartz Corporation
 - (3) Plating For Electronics
- iii) Documents related to Commonwealth Fusion Systems
 - (1) CFS Letter to Board of Boiler Rules 2025.5.29
 - (2) CFS Presentation Slides