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Subject: CATEGORY "A" VALVE APPROVAL

References:

- (a) PBM email request of December 17, 2009, with attached valve test reports
- (b) Title 46 Code of Federal Regulations Section 56.20-15
- (c) American Petroleum Institute (API) standard 607, Fourth Edition, May 1993

Dear Mr. Botti:

This letter is in response to Ref. (a), which requested Category A valve approval of specific PBM valves in accordance with the requirements of Ref. (b). Included with Ref. (a) were specific valve fire test results conducted in accordance with the requirements of Ref. (c) and certified by a laboratory and/or a professional engineer.

Based on the satisfactory results of the fire and pressure testing, the following meet the requirements for classification as Category A valves:

**AN Series 3 Firesafe, ½" to 4"**  
**SP Series 6 Firesafe, ½" to 2"**

Category A valves are required in specific locations as outlined in Ref. (b).

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter please contact Mr. Thane Gilman at 202-372-1383.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J.D. Reynolds".

J. D. REYNOLDS  
Commander, United States Coast Guard  
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By direction