## SECTION 232116 - HYDRONIC PIPING SPECIALTIES

## PART 1 - GENERAL

## 1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division 01 Specification Sections, apply to this Section.

#### 1.2 SUMMARY

- A. Section includes special-duty valves and specialties for the following:
  - 1. Hot-water heating piping.
  - 2. Condensate-drain piping.

## 1.3 ACTION SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: For each type of the following:
  - 1. Valves: Include flow and pressure drop curves based on manufacturer's testing for calibrated-orifice balancing valves and automatic flow-control valves.
  - 2. Air-control devices.
  - 3. Hydronic specialties.

#### 1.4 CLOSEOUT SUBMITTALS

A. Operation and Maintenance Data: For air-control devices, hydronic specialties, and specialduty valves to include in emergency, operation, and maintenance manuals.

## 1.5 MAINTENANCE MATERIAL SUBMITTALS

A. Differential Pressure Meter: For each type of balancing valve and automatic flow control valve, include flowmeter, probes, hoses, flow charts, and carrying case.

## 1.6 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Pipe Welding: Qualify procedures and operators according to ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code: Section 1X.

1. Safety valves and pressure vessels shall bear the appropriate ASME label. Fabricate and stamp air separators and expansion tanks to comply with ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code: Section VIII, Division 1.

## PART 2 - PRODUCTS

#### 2.1 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- A. Hydronic piping components and installation shall be capable of withstanding the following minimum working pressure and temperature unless otherwise indicated:
  - 1. Hot-Water Heating Piping: 125 psig (kPa) at 200 deg F (93 deg C).
  - 2. Condensate-Drain Piping: 150 deg F (66 deg C).

#### 2.2 VALVES

- A. Gate, Globe, Check, Ball, and Butterfly Valves: Comply with requirements specified in Section 230523.11 "Globe Valves for HVAC Piping," Section 230523.12 "Ball Valves for HVAC Piping," Section 230523.13 "Butterfly Valves for HVAC Piping," Section 230523.14 "Check Valves for HVAC Piping," and Section 230523.15 "Gate Valves for HVAC Piping."
- B. Automatic Temperature-Control Valves, Actuators, and Sensors: Comply with requirements specified in Section 230923.11 "Control Valves." Section 15901 "Control Valves."
- C. Bronze, Calibrated-Orifice, Balancing Valves:
  - 1. Manufacturers
    - a. Armstrong Pumps, Inc.
    - b. Bell & Gossett; a Xylem brand.
    - c. Griswold Controls.
    - d. Taco.
  - 2. Body: Bronze, ball or plug type with calibrated orifice or venturi.
  - 3. Ball: Brass or stainless steel.
  - 4. Plug: Resin.
  - 5. Seat: PTFE.
  - 6. End Connections: Threaded or socket.
  - 7. Pressure Gage Connections: Integral seals for portable differential pressure meter.

- 8. Handle Style: Lever, with memory stop to retain set position.
- 9. CWP Rating: Minimum 125 psig (860 kPa).
- 10. Maximum Operating Temperature: 250 deg F (121 deg C).
- D. Cast-Iron or Steel, Calibrated-Orifice, Balancing Valves:
  - 1. Manufacturers
    - a. Armstrong Pumps, Inc.
    - b. Bell & Gossett; a Xylem brand.
    - c. Griswold Controls.
    - d. Taco.
  - 2. Body: Cast-iron or steel body, ball, plug, or globe pattern with calibrated orifice or venturi.
  - 3. Ball: Brass or stainless steel.
  - 4. Stem Seals: EPDM O-rings.
  - 5. Disc: Glass and carbon-filled PTFE.
  - 6. Seat: PTFE.
  - 7. End Connections: Flanged or grooved.
  - 8. Pressure Gage Connections: Integral seals for portable differential pressure meter.
  - 9. Handle Style: Lever, with memory stop to retain set position.
  - 10. CWP Rating: Minimum 125 psig (860 kPa).
  - 11. Maximum Operating Temperature: 250 deg F (121 deg C).
- E. Diaphragm-Operated, Pressure-Reducing Valves: ASME labeled.
  - 1. Manufacturers
    - a. Armstrong Pumps, Inc.
    - b. Bell & Gossett; a Xylem brand.
    - c. Griswold Controls.
    - d. Taco.
  - 2. Body: Bronze or brass.

- 3. Disc: Glass and carbon-filled PTFE.
- 4. Seat: Brass.
- 5. Stem Seals: EPDM O-rings.
- 6. Diaphragm: EPT.
- 7. Low inlet-pressure check valve.
- 8. Inlet Strainer: Stainless steel, removable without system shutdown.
- 9. Valve Seat and Stem: Noncorrosive.
- 10. Valve Size, Capacity, and Operating Pressure: Selected to suit system in which installed, with operating pressure and capacity factory set and field adjustable.
- F. Diaphragm-Operated Safety Valves: ASME labeled.
  - 1. Manufacturers
    - a. Armstrong Pumps, Inc.
    - b. Bell & Gossett; a Xylem brand.
    - c. Griswold Controls.
    - d. Taco.
  - 2. Body: Bronze or brass.
  - 3. Disc: Glass and carbon-filled PTFE.
  - 4. Seat: Brass.
  - 5. Stem Seals: EPDM O-rings.
  - 6. Diaphragm: EPT.
  - 7. Wetted, Internal Work Parts: Brass and rubber.
  - 8. Inlet Strainer: Stainless steel, removable without system shutdown.
  - 9. Valve Seat and Stem: Noncorrosive.
  - 10. Valve Size, Capacity, and Operating Pressure: Comply with ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code: Section IV, and selected to suit system in which installed, with operating pressure and capacity factory set and field adjustable.
- G. Automatic Flow-Control Valves:
  - 1. Manufacturers

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- a. Armstrong Pumps, Inc.
- b. Bell & Gossett; a Xylem brand.
- c. Griswold Controls.
- d. Taco.
- 2. Body: Brass or ferrous metal.
- 3. Piston and Spring Assembly: Stainless steel Corrosion resistant, tamper proof, selfcleaning, and removable.
- 4. Combination Assemblies: Include bronze or brass-alloy ball valve.
- 5. Identification Tag: Marked with zone identification, valve number, and flow rate.
- 6. Size: Same as pipe in which installed.
- 7. Performance: Maintain constant flow, plus or minus 5 percent over system pressure fluctuations.
- 8. Minimum CWP Rating: 175 psig (1207 kPa).
- 9. Maximum Operating Temperature: 200 deg F (93 deg C).

# 2.3 AIR-CONTROL DEVICES

A. Manual Air Vents:

- 1. Manufacturers
  - a. Armstrong Pumps, Inc.
  - b. Bell & Gossett; a Xylem brand.
  - c. Griswold Controls.
  - d. Taco.
- 2. Body: Bronze.
- 3. Internal Parts: Nonferrous.
- 4. Operator: Screwdriver or thumbscrew.
- 5. Inlet Connection: NPS 1/2 (DN 15).
- 6. Discharge Connection: NPS 1/8 (DN 6).
- 7. CWP Rating: 150 psig (1035 kPa).

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- 8. Maximum Operating Temperature: 225 deg F (107 deg C).
- B. Automatic Air Vents:
  - 1. Manufacturers
    - a. Armstrong Pumps, Inc.
    - b. Bell & Gossett; a Xylem brand.
    - c. Griswold Controls.
    - d. Taco.
  - 2. Body: Bronze or cast iron.
  - 3. Internal Parts: Nonferrous.
  - 4. Operator: Noncorrosive metal float.
  - 5. Inlet Connection: NPS 1/2 (DN 15).
  - 6. Discharge Connection: NPS 1/4 (DN 8).
  - 7. CWP Rating: 150 psig (1035 kPa).
  - 8. Maximum Operating Temperature: 240 deg F (116 deg C).

#### 2.4 HYDRONIC PIPING SPECIALTIES

- A. Y-Pattern Strainers:
  - 1. Body: ASTM A 126, Class B, cast iron with bolted cover and bottom drain connection.
  - 2. End Connections: Threaded ends for NPS 2 (DN 50) and smaller; flanged ends for NPS 2-1/2 (DN 65) and larger.
  - 3. Strainer Screen: Stainless-steel, 40-mesh strainer, or perforated stainless-steel basket.
  - 4. CWP Rating: 125 psig (860 kPa).
- B. Basket Strainers:
  - 1. Body: ASTM A 126, Class B, high-tensile cast iron with bolted cover and bottom drain connection.
  - 2. End Connections: Threaded ends for NPS 2 (DN 50) and smaller; flanged ends for NPS 2-1/2 (DN 65) and larger.

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- 3. Strainer Screen: 40-mesh startup strainer, and perforated stainless-steel basket with 50 percent free area.
- 4. CWP Rating: 125 psig (860 kPa).
- C. Stainless-Steel Bellow, Flexible Connectors:
  - 1. Body: Stainless-steel bellows with woven, flexible, bronze, wire-reinforcing protective jacket.
  - 2. End Connections: Threaded or flanged to match equipment connected.
  - 3. Performance: Capable of 3/4-inch (20-mm) misalignment.
  - 4. CWP Rating: 150 psig (1035 kPa).
  - 5. Maximum Operating Temperature: 250 deg F (121 deg C).
- D. Spherical, Rubber, Flexible Connectors:
  - 1. Body: Fiber-reinforced rubber body.
  - 2. End Connections: Steel flanges drilled to align with Classes 150 and 300 steel flanges.
  - 3. Performance: Capable of misalignment.
  - 4. CWP Rating: 150 psig (1035 kPa).
  - 5. Maximum Operating Temperature: 250 deg F (121 deg C).
- E. Expansion Fittings: Comply with requirements in Section 230516 "Expansion Fittings and Loops for HVAC Piping."

#### PART 3 - EXECUTION

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#### 3.1 VALVE APPLICATIONS

- A. Install shutoff-duty valves at each branch connection to supply mains and at supply connection to each piece of equipment.
- B. In addition to the required shutoff-duty valves, install calibrated-orifice, balancing valves at each branch connection to return main.
- C. Install calibrated-orifice, balancing valves in the return pipe of each heating or cooling terminal.
- D. Install check valves at each pump discharge and elsewhere as required to control flow direction.

- E. Install safety valves at hot-water generators and elsewhere as required by ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code. Install drip-pan elbow on safety-valve outlet and pipe without valves to the outdoors; pipe drain to nearest floor drain or as indicated on Drawings. Comply with ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code: Section VIII, Division 1, for installation requirements.
- F. Install pressure-reducing valves at makeup-water connection to regulate system fill pressure.

## 3.2 HYDRONIC SPECIALTIES INSTALLATION

- A. Install manual air vents at high points in piping, at heat-transfer coils, and elsewhere as required for system air venting.
- B. Install automatic air vents at high points of system piping in mechanical equipment rooms only. Install manual vents at heat-transfer coils and elsewhere as required for air venting.
- C. Install piping from boiler air outlet, air separator, or air purger to expansion tank with a 2 percent upward slope toward tank.
- D. Install in-line air separators in pump suction. Install drain valve on air separators NPS 2 (DN 50) and larger.
- E. Install tangential air separator in pump suction. Install blowdown piping with gate or full-port ball valve; extend full size to nearest floor drain.
- F. Install expansion tanks above the air separator. Install tank fitting in tank bottom and charge tank. Use manual vent for initial fill to establish proper water level in tank.
  - 1. Install tank fittings that are shipped loose.
  - 2. Support tank from floor or structure above with sufficient strength to carry weight of tank, piping connections, fittings, plus tank full of water. Do not overload building components and structural members.

END OF SECTION 232116