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Foreword

This foreword is for information only and is not a part of ANSI/AWWA C205.

I. Introduction.

I.A. *Background.* Cement–mortar-lined-and-coated steel pipe was first used in the United States in the late 1800s. Some of the first pipelines were in service for almost a century by the time the first national standard was written. However, it was not until the 1920s that a practical method of plant-applied cement–mortar lining was developed. The first plant-applied linings were installed by standing the pipe on end, placing a tapered plug with a rope attached to the leading end inside the pipe, placing enough cement mortar on top of the plug to coat the pipe, and then pulling the plug up through the pipe. Improvements in the lining process were developed, and the centrifugal process for plant-applied cement–mortar lining emerged.

Cement–mortar-lined and cement–mortar-coated steel pipe combines the physical strength of steel with the protective qualities of cement mortar. The lining, applied centrifugally, creates a smooth, dense finish that protects the pipe from tuberculation and provides a measure of corrosion protection. The smooth interior surface provides a high flow coefficient for the design life of the pipeline under normal operating conditions. In addition, the cement–mortar coating results in a tough, durable, and rugged coating that forms an alkaline environment where oxidation or corrosion of the steel is inhibited.

I.B. *History.* The first edition of this standard, designated 7A.7-41, Standard Specifications for Cement–Mortar Protective Coating for Steel Water Pipe of Sizes 30 Inches and Over, was approved by the AWWA Board of Directors on June 26, 1941. Before that, a tentative draft had been published in the January 1940 *Journal AWWA* for review and comment.

The first edition provided a section for the field application of cement–mortar lining, which was deleted by action of the Board of Directors effective June 30, 1951. Pending the promulgation of AWWA C602, Cement–Mortar Lining of Water Pipelines—4 In. (100 mm) and Larger—In Place, the ninth, tenth, and eleventh printing of 7A.7 (AWWA C205) continued to carry the withdrawn section.

The next edition, published in 1962, was a major revision and provided for pipe sizes of 4 in. (100 mm) and larger. The standard was subsequently revised in 1971, 1980, 1985, 1989, 1995, and 2000. This edition was approved on Jan. 21, 2007.

I.C. *Acceptance.* In May 1985, the US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) entered into a cooperative agreement with a consortium led by NSF International (NSF) to develop voluntary third-party consensus standards and a certification program for direct and indirect drinking water additives. Other members of the original consortium included the American Water Works Association Research Foundation (AwwaRF) and the Conference of State Health and Environmental Managers (COSHEM). The American Water Works Association (AWWA) and the Association of State Drinking Water Administrators (ASDWA) joined later.

In the United States, authority to regulate products for use in or in contact with drinking water rests with individual states.* Local agencies may choose to impose requirements more stringent than those required by the state. To evaluate the health effects of products and drinking water additives from such products, state and local agencies may use various references, including

1. An advisory program formerly administered by USEPA, Office of Drinking Water, discontinued on April 7, 1990.
2. Specific policies of the state or local agency.
3. Two standards developed under the direction of NSF, NSF[†]/ANSI[‡] 60, Drinking Water Treatment Chemicals—Health Effects, and NSF/ANSI 61, Drinking Water System Components—Health Effects.
4. Other references, including AWWA standards, *Food Chemicals Codex*,[§] *Water Chemicals Codex*[§] and other standards considered appropriate by the state or local agency.

Various certification organizations may be involved in certifying products in accordance with NSF/ANSI 61. Individual states or local agencies have authority to accept or accredit certification organizations within their jurisdiction. Accreditation of certification organizations may vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction.

Annex A, “Toxicology Review and Evaluation Procedures,” to NSF/ANSI 61 does not stipulate a maximum allowable level (MAL) of a contaminant for substances not regulated by a USEPA final maximum contaminant level (MCL). The MALs of

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§Both publications available from National Academy of Sciences, 500 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20001.

an unspecified list of “unregulated contaminants” are based on toxicity testing guidelines (noncarcinogens) and risk characterization methodology (carcinogens). Use of Annex A procedures may not always be identical, depending on the certifier.

ANSI/AWWA C205 does not address additives requirements. Thus, users of this standard should consult the appropriate state or local agency having jurisdiction in order to

1. Determine additives requirements, including applicable standards.
2. Determine the status of certifications by parties offering to certify products for contact with or treatment of drinking water.
3. Determine current information on product certification.

II. Special Issues. The purchaser of cement–mortar linings or coatings is cautioned about the following concerns:

II.A. *Soft, aggressive waters.* Soft, aggressive waters, as well as prolonged contact with heavily chlorinated water, may be injurious to cement–mortar linings. When this environment is anticipated, further studies may be necessary to determine the suitability of this type of lining.

II.B. *Intermittent operations.* Cement–mortar linings are best suited for pipelines that are continuously filled with water. When cement–mortar-lined pipelines are operated under prolonged empty conditions, special precautions may have to be taken to prevent excessive drying out of the cement–mortar lining.

II.C. *Flow velocity.* Cement–mortar linings perform best when flow velocities are in normal ranges. When the flow velocity exceeds approximately 20 ft/sec (6.1 m/sec), special studies may be required to determine the suitability of this type of lining material.

II.D. *Strain limitations.* Consideration should be given to limiting the maximum strains (or stresses) developed in the steel cylinder of cement–mortar-lined or coated steel water pipe from internal pressure to ensure the long-term design life of the system.

II.E. *Weld-after-backfill.* Weld-after-backfill is the sequence of assembling a lap welded joint, welding the outside (if required), applying the exterior coating, backfilling the pipe, and then welding the inside joint at a later time (where inside welding is safe and practical). Welding inside field joints after backfill may damage or compromise the performance of shop and field-applied dielectric coatings. Prior to specifying or approving weld-after-backfill, consult with the manufacturers regarding recommended products, installation, and backfill procedures required for the weld-