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NFPA 274 was developed by the Technical Committee on Fire Tests to fill the need for a standard method of determining the fire performance of pipe insulation materials. Other codes and standards such as NFPA 90A, *Standard for the Installation of Air-Conditioning and Ventilating Systems*, have identified the issue of the installation of such materials in air-handling plenums. Although NFPA 274 does not prescribe pass or fail criteria, suggested acceptance criteria are provided in Annex B for consideration by the other referencing codes and standards.

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