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PART I INTRODUCTION

1.1 SCOPE

This DEP specifies requirements for the design, manufacture and testing of monolithic isolating joints, for electrical isolation of pipelines from plants and/or other pipelines.

This DEP is based on ISO 15590-2:2003. Part III of this DEP amends, supplements and deletes various clauses of ISO 15590-2: 2003. Part III follows the clause numbering of ISO 15590-2: 2003 for easy reference.

All clauses of ISO 15590-2: 2003 not modified by this DEP remain valid as written.

This is a revision of the DEP of the same number dated February 2017; see (1.5) regarding the changes.

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When DEPs are applied, a Management of Change (MOC) process shall be implemented; this is of particular importance when existing facilities are to be modified.

If national and/or local regulations exist in which some of the requirements could be more stringent than in this DEP, the Contractor shall determine by careful scrutiny which of the requirements are the more stringent and which combination of requirements will be acceptable with regards to the safety, environmental, economic and legal aspects. In all cases, the Contractor shall inform the Principal of any deviation from the requirements of this DEP which is considered to be necessary in order to comply with national and/or local regulations. The Principal may then negotiate with the Authorities concerned, the objective being to obtain agreement to follow this DEP as closely as possible.

1.3 DEFINITIONS

1.3.1 General definitions

The **Contractor** is the party that carries out all or part of the design, engineering, procurement, construction, commissioning or management of a project or operation of a facility. The Principal may undertake all or part of the duties of the Contractor.

The **Manufacturer/Supplier** is the party that manufactures or supplies equipment and services to perform the duties specified by the Contractor.

The **Principal** is the party that initiates the project and ultimately pays for it. The Principal may also include an agent or consultant authorised to act for, and on behalf of, the Principal.

In ISO 15590-2, the term **Purchaser** is used and is equivalent to the term **Principal** that is used in this DEP.

The word **shall** indicates a requirement.

The word **should** indicates a recommendation.

The word **may** indicates a permitted option.

1.3.2 Specific definitions

Term	Definition
Data Sheet	The data/requisition sheet DEP 31.40.21.93-Gen., as used by the Principal and completed by the Manufacturer/Supplier.
Fitting	Term used in ISO 15590-2 which has the same meaning as monolithic insulating joint in this DEP.

1.3.3 Abbreviations

Term	Definition
AC	Alternating current
DC	Direct Current
FKM	Fluoroelastomers
HNBR	Hydrogenated Nitrile Butadiene Rubber

1.4 CROSS-REFERENCES

Where cross-references to other parts of this DEP are made, the referenced section or clause number is shown in brackets (). Other documents referenced by this DEP are listed in (Part V).

1.5 SUMMARY OF MAIN CHANGES

This DEP is a revision of the DEP of the same number dated February 2017. This is an administrative update only to correct references to DEPs that have been involved in either a merge or a split.

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