§ 61.15–5 Steam piping.

(a) Main steam piping shall be subjected to a hydrostatic test equal to 1 ¼ times the maximum allowable working pressure at the same periods prescribed for boilers in § 61.05–10. The hydrostatic test shall be applied from the boiler drum to the throttle valve. If the covering of the piping is not removed, the test pressure shall be maintained on the piping for a period of ten minutes. If any evidence of moisture or leakage is detected, the covering shall be removed and the piping thoroughly examined.

(b) All steam piping subject to pressure from the main boiler shall be subjected to a hydrostatic test at a pressure of 1 ¼ times the maximum allowable working pressure of the boiler after every five years of service except as otherwise provided for in paragraph (a) of this section. Unless the covering of the piping is removed, the test pressure must be maintained on the piping for ten minutes. If any evidence of moisture or leakage is detected, the covering should be removed and the piping thoroughly examined. No piping