

# API Ballot Comments Sheet

9/4/2007

**Ballot: 134-07-653-218 Add Inspector Qualifications in 653, F.2.3**

**Start Date:** 7/19/07

**Closing Date:** 8/30/07

**AMS Ballot ID:** 1,187

**Associate:** Gordon Robertson

**Coordinator:** Gordon Robertson

**Proposal:**

**136219 Mark Baker**

**Baker Consulting Group, Inc.**

Specification Section

Type

Comment

Suggested Change

Technical

Appendix F is a summary of requirements. Any reference to a qualification standard should be listed in the main body of the standard.

Include a reference in Section 12

**142888 Chris Bashor**

**Minnesota Pollution Control Agency**

Specification Section

Type

Comment

Suggested Change

Editorial

Need to correct the referenced section in the new 650 11th ed.

8.5?

**109375 Jerry Boldra**

Specification Section

Type

Comment

Suggested Change

F.2.3

Technical

Concur with the suggested proposal that this agenda item be approved only if # 1188 API 650-628 is also approved.

**134782 Steve Caruthers**

**Tank Consultants, Inc.**

Specification Section

Type

Comment

Suggested Change

Technical

the referenced paragraph in 650 should change for the 11th Edition of API-650

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**45528 Donald Comire**

**Eastman Chemical Company**

Specification Section

Type

Comment

Suggested Change

F.2.3

Editorial

The referenced Section 6.5 is now 8.5 in the 11th Edition of 650.

Update the Proposed wording in "F.2.3" to reference API 650, Section 8.5 instead of 6.5.

**133668 Gary Heath**

**All Tech Inspection**

Specification Section

Type

Comment

Suggested Change

Technical

API 650 6.5 is visual acceptance criteria not personnel qualification requirements.

Visual examinations should be performed in accordance with ASME Section V, Article 9.

**93133 Randy Kissell**

**TGB Partnership**

Specification Section

Type

Comment

Suggested Change

F.2.3

Editorial

Change 6.5 to 8.5 to match the 11th edition.

**136274 Thomas Lorentz**

**AEC Engineering, Inc.**

Specification Section

Type

Comment

Suggested Change

F.2.3

Editorial

Reference to 650 is based on 10th ed. 4th addendum. The 11th edition section is 8.5.

Revise F.2.3 to read: " standard is API 650, Section 8.5."

**131185 Douglas Miller**

**Chicago Bridge & Iron Company(CB&I)**

Specification Section

Type

Comment

Suggested Change

F.2.3

Editorial

The style of this section should match with all the other references to examiner qualifications elsewhere in 653 App F. Also the reference should be to the section number of 650, 11th edition.

"The requirements for examiner qualifications shall follow API Std 650, 8.5.3"

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92212 George Morovich

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Specification Section

Type

Comment

Suggested Change

Technical

Section 6.5 of API 650 11th Edition is no longer applicable for this reference.

It appears that this and all other references to API 650 Section 6.5 should be changed to API 650 Section 8.5 (per 11th Edition).

134341 Delano Richie

PetroChem Inspection Services

Specification Section

Type

Comment

Suggested Change

Technical

D.5.2  
b. I am concerned with the given number of Tanks stated (75)

73144 Kenneth Tam

Specification Section

Type

Comment

Suggested Change

Editorial

I vote affirmative on the assumption that LB 653-628 on adding 8.5.3 to Section 8.5 of API 650 will be adopted.

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134314 Tearle Taylor

Flint Hills Resources

**Specification Section**

**Type**

**Comment**

**Suggested Change**

Proposed change

Technical

There are no requirements in API 650 Section 6.5 for visual acuity, it is a examination criteria for weldments. It does not deal with the visual ability of an inspector. Requirements should be stated in Appendix D as part of the certification process expectation, in that way F.2.3 is not required.

Add to D.2.1: An API 653 authorized 653 authorized inspector certificate will be issued when an applicant has successfully passed the API certification examination and satisfies the criteria for education and experience. The applicant must also pass a visual acuity test. The visual acuity shall be at a distance of 12" (.37M) on the Jaeger J2 scale and shall be tested for red/green differentiation. Education and experience, when combined, shall be equal to at least one of the following:

Add to D.5.4

Recertification shall include the passing a visual acuity test. The visual acuity shall be at a distance of 12" (.37M) on the Jaeger J2 scale and shall be tested for red/green differentiation.

Note: API will have to develop a Visual Acuity / Color Perception form similar to what AWS presently utilizes.

Delete current wording in F.2.3

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