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1. (a) NFPA Document Title Standard for the Control of Gas Hazards on Vessels NFPA No. & Year 306 - 2009

(b) Section/Paragraph 3.3.1

2. Proposal Recommends (check one): new text revised text deleted text

3. Proposal (include proposed new or revised wording, or identification of wording to be deleted): [Note: Proposed text should be in legislative format; i.e., use underscore to denote wording to be inserted (inserted wording) and strike-through to denote wording to be deleted (~~deleted wording~~).]

3.3.1 Adjacent Spaces. Those spaces in all directions from subject space, including all points of contact, corners, diagonals, decks, tank tops, and bulkheads. ~~and including~~ This also includes areas affected by hot work, ~~where slag, products of combustion,~~ where sources of ignition from hot work, such as sparks and/or slag would be expected to fall or accumulate. Pipelines are not adjacent spaces and are considered as Not Safe for Hot Work unless noted on the marine chemist certificate.

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The words products of combustion have been changed to sources or ignition to exclude the chemist from considering a space as adjacent if it is affected by smoke from combustion. The current language also does not specifically define that a pipeline is not an adjacent space. The addition clarifies that pipelines should be considered as Not Safe for Hot Work unless it is specifically addressed on the certificate. It also mirrors the language on the existing certificate.

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