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JM EAGLE™ CONDUIT PRODUCTS STILL MEETING ALL STANDARDS

JM Eagle is dedicated to producing the most high-quality pipe that meets or exceeds industry standards, as well as customer expectations.

Recently, in an effort to improve quality, efficiency and cost-effectiveness, JM Eagle switched its standards-listing affiliation from UL to NSF International for its conduit products. UL651 and NEMA TC-2 are the standards for Schedule 40 and 80 conduit, and UL651A, ASTM F512 and NEMA TC-6 are the standards for EB-20 duct pipe. Like UL, NSF is also an NRTL by OSHA and ANSI that identifies JM Eagle as meeting all the product standards required for electrical conduit and duct pipe. The result is an eventual change to the stencil on the pipe, but not to the pipe itself.

A product standard is a nationally or internationally published document that contains the product requirements, such as material grade, dimensions and testing. A product listing is a third-party agency certifying that the product meets the product standard requirements.

"An NSF listing reflects the product is tested and third-party certified to UL651," says Monica Tsai, director of sales for electrical products at JM Eagle. "With criteria the same, there is no compromise in the testing or the quality of the final product."

JM Eagle recognizes that specifiers in some jurisdictions require pipe to carry the UL logo on the pipe stencil, which is UL's listing trademark, as proof the products have been tested to UL651 standard. However, a lack of a UL logo on pipe stencil is no indication that the product hasn't met the standard. Although some might believe otherwise, it is safe to pur-

chase, sell and to install pipe with an NSF NRTL UL651 mark on pipe, which is NSF's listing trademark to the UL651 product standard.



To surmount local specification hurdles and minimize subcontractors' need to change orders, JM Eagle will continue to use the UL mark and the NSF mark through the remainder of 2009 as it aims to educate governing bodies and specifiers on the validity of NSF's listing trademark.

"Both listing trademarks on the pipe should give distributors as well as contractors and end users the confidence that JM Eagle products have been fully tested to meet all product standards," says Tsai. "In short time, we trust the industry will understand that JM Eagle pipe products with the NSF mark are as high quality as ever."



NRTL: Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory
OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Regulation
ANSI: American National Standards Institute
NSF: formerly National Sanitation Foundation

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