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Operation of Sustainable
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FOREWORD

ANSI/ASHRAE/ICC/USGBC/IES Standard 189.1-2020 Addendum c revises the requirements for hot-water distribution by eliminating specific instructions for calculating pipe volume, including the removal of Table 6.3.3.1. Addendum b to Standard 189.3 removes Exception 1 as part of Section 6.3.3.1 due to the unique patient population within healthcare facilities and the concern for pathogens present in water distribution systems.

Note: In this addendum, changes to the current standard are indicated in the text by underlining (for additions) and strikethrough (for deletions) unless the instructions specifically mention some other means of indicating the changes.

Addexception to Section 6.3.3.1 as shown.

6.3.3.1 Maximum Allowable Pipe Volume

Exception to 6.3.3.1: Public metering lavatory faucets and lavatory fixtures are required to comply with Section 6.3.3.1, “Maximum Allowable Pipe Volume” within healthcare facilities.

Informative Note: [189.3] As applicable to healthcare facilities, this negates the exception for public lavatory fixtures in Standard 189.1, Section 6.3.3.1.
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