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Policy Statement 18 December 2006 Non-Toxicity Documentation Needed

In order to continue the verification of compliance to the Foundation for Cross-Connection Control and Hydraulic Research at the University of Southern California specifications for the backflow prevention assembly; the following policy will be enacted on clarifying the documentation that is needed to ensure that a material is suitable for potable water use and non-toxic:

A Manufacturer of a Backflow Prevention Assembly that is submitting an assembly for Foundation Approval must supply third party documentation stating that the materials being utilized in the assembly that are in contact with potable water must be suitable for contact with potable water use and shall be non-toxic. The documentation that may be acceptable includes the following:

- Material deemed acceptable to the NSF (National Sanitation Foundation)
- Material deemed acceptable to the FDA (Food and Drug Administration) Title 21 Section 175.300 of the Federal Regulation on Food Additives
- Materials deemed acceptable to contact with potable water and/or non-toxic by a third-party certification.