# SECTION 33 12 16 WATER VALVES

# PART 1 GENERAL

# **1.1 SECTION INCLUDES**

- A. Gate, butterfly, plug, check, pressure reducing, pressure relief, control valves and their installation.
- B. Related work includes but is not limited to,
  - 1. Excavation, Section 31 23 16.
  - 2. Trench backfill, Section 33 05 20.

# 1.2 **REFERENCES**

- A. AWWA C111: American National Standard for Rubber-Gasket Joints for Ductile-Iron and Gray-Iron Pressure Pipe and Fittings.
- B. AWWA C504: AWWA Standard for Rubber-Seated Butterfly Valves.
- C. AWWA C508: AWWA Standard for Swing-Check Valves for Waterworks Service, 2 In. Through 24 In. NPS.
- D. AWWA C509: AWWA Standard for Resilient-Seated Gate Valves for Water and Sewerage Systems.
- E. AWWA C550: AWWA Standard for Protective Interior Coatings for Valves and Hydrants.
- F. AWWA C600: AWWA Standard for Installation of Ductile-Iron Water Mains and Their Appurtenances.

# 1.3 SUBMITTALS

A. Provide technical information as required for evaluating the quality of the valve. As a minimum include dimensions, weights, materials lists and operation charts.

# **PART 2 PRODUCTS**

# 2.1 VALVES -GENERAL

- A. Underground:
  - 1. Less than 3 inches: Screwed ends.
  - 2. 3 inches and larger: Flanged or mechanical joint ends as specified. Non-rising stem. Two inches square operating nut. Low alloy steel bolts, AWWA C111.
- B. Submerged or Above Sewage or Water:
  - 1. Valve body bolts per manufacturer's recommendations.
  - 2. For joining valve to piping system use stainless steel nuts and bolts, Section 05 05 23.
- C. Below an Operating Deck: Provide shaft extension from the valve to deck level.
- D. Above Ground: Non-rising stems equipped with a hand wheel.
- E. Manually Operated Valves Over 6 feet Above Operating Level: Provide chain operated handles.
- F. Clearance: Install so that handles clear all obstruction when moved from open to closed.

- G. Rated Working Pressure: 150 psi unless indicated.
- H. Coating: Interior, AWWA C550. Exterior per manufacturer's recommendation.

#### 2.2 GATE VALVES

- A. Material: Cast iron body, bronze mounted. Furnish valves 3 inches through 48 inches that conform to the requirements of AWWA C509, non-rising stem design with "O" ring seals.
- B. Operating Direction: Open counterclockwise.
- C. Buried Valves: Flanged, mechanical joint, or as indicated.

# 2.3 BUTTERFLY VALVES

- A. Material: Cast iron body, bronze mounted. Furnish valves 3 inches through 48 inches that conform to the requirements of AWWA C504.
- B. Body Type: Short body or long body at CONTRACTOR's option or short body valves only where the disc will not interfere with adjacent fittings.
- C. Wafer Valves: Subject to approval.

#### 2.4 ECCENTRIC PLUG VALVES

- A. Material: Cast iron body, bronze mounted, non-lubricated, eccentric, quarter-turn type with resilient face plugs, ductile iron discs with upper and lower shafts integral.
- B. Markings: Indicate open and close position.
- C. Port Areas: At least 82 percent of full pipe area.
- D. Resilient Seat Seals: Buna N, field replaceable.

#### 2.5 CHECK VALVES

- A. Material: AWWA C508.
- B. Valves 2-1/2 inches in Size and Smaller: 200 psi working pressure Y-pattern, bronze, regrinding, swing check valve with screwed ends.
- C. Valves 3 inches in Size and Larger: Iron body, bronze mounted, flanged end, swing valves with stainless steel hinge pins.
- D. Outside Weight and Lever: Required.

#### 2.6 PRESSURE REDUCING VALVES -SERVICE LINE

- A. Operation: Capable of reducing a varying higher upstream pressure to an adjustable constant lower downstream pressure.
- B. Spring and nylon reinforced diaphragm type construction.
- C. Equip with Y-strainer upstream of valve.

#### 2.7 PRESSURE REDUCING VALVES -MAIN LINE

- A. Operation: Capable of maintaining an adjustable constant downstream pressure regardless of upstream pressure.
- B. Type: Hydraulically operated using a direct-acting, spring-loaded, normally open, pilot valve controlled diaphragm.
- C. Provide a single removable seat and a resilient disc. No "O" ring type discs permitted.

No external packing glands permitted. No pistons operating the main valve or pilot controls permitted.

- D. Equip with Y-strainers on the pilot controls, variable closing and opening speed controls and a valve position indicator.
- E. Rating: 250 psi working pressure with flanged connections.
- F. Include an upstream and downstream pressure gage capable of accurately measuring system pressures.

### 2.8 PRESSURE RELIEF VALVES

- A. Operation: Maintain a constant upstream pressure by passing or relieving excess pressure.
- B. Closed Valves: Drip-tight.
- C. Type: Hydraulically operated, pilot control using a diaphragm with a single removable seat and resilient disc.
- D. Pilot Controls: Direct acting, adjustable between 20 and 200 psi, spring-loaded diaphragm valve.
- E. Rating: 250 psi working pressure with flanged connections.

### 2.9 CONTROL VALVE

- A. Types: Diaphragm actuated, single seated, composition disc, hydraulically operated globe valve.
- B. Pilot Controls: Externally mounted, four-way, solenoid pilot valve with self cleaning strainers and diaphragm type check valves.
- C. Equip with a limit switch for pump control.
- D. Equip with a built-in lift check valve to prevent flow reversal.
- E. Rating: 250 psi working pressure with flanged connections.
- F. Solenoids and the Limit Switch: Supplied with operating voltage as indicated.

# **PART 3 EXECUTION**

#### 3.1 INSTALLATION

- A. Flush all lines before valve installation.
- B. In ductile iron water mains install valves, AWWA C600.
- C. Install butterfly valve shafts vertical in Vault boxes and horizontal otherwise.

#### END OF SECTION