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Foreword

This document (CEN/TS 1555-7:2003) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN /TC 155, "Plastics piping systems and ducting systems", the secretariat of which is held by NEN.

It has been prepared in liaison with CEN/TC 234 "Gas supply".

This Technical Specification can be used to support elaboration of national third party certification procedures for products conforming to the applicable Parts of EN 1555.

This Technical Specification is a Part of a System Standard for plastics piping systems of a particular material for a specified application. There are a number of such System Standards.

System Standards are based on the results of the work undertaken in ISO/TC 138 "Plastics pipes, fittings and valves for the transport of fluids", which is a Technical Committee of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO).

They are supported by separate standards on test methods to which references are made throughout the System Standard.

The System Standards are consistent with general standards on functional requirements and on recommended practice for installation.

EN 1555 consists of the following Parts, under the general title *Plastics piping systems for the supply of gaseous fuels - Polyethylene (PE)*

- *Part 1: General*
- *Part 2: Pipes*
- *Part 3: Fittings*
- *Part 4: Valves*
- *Part 5: Fitness for purpose of the system*
- *Part 7: Guidance for assessment of conformity (this Technical Specification).*

NOTE The document dealing with recommended practice for installation which was initially submitted for CEN enquiry as prEN 1555-6 was withdrawn when EN 12007-2 ^[1], prepared by CEN/TC 234 "Gas supply", was published with the title "*Gas supply systems - Pipelines for maximum operating pressure up to and including 16 bar - Part 2: Specific functional recommendations for polyethylene (MOP up to and including 10 bar)*".

This document includes the following:

- Annex A (normative) Change of compound
- Bibliography.

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Introduction

The System Standard, of which this is Part 7, specifies the requirements for a piping system and its components made from polyethylene (PE) and is intended to be used for the supply of gaseous fuels.

Requirements and test methods for material and components of the piping system are specified in EN 1555-1, EN 1555-2, EN 1555-3 and EN 1555-4. Characteristics for fitness for purpose are covered in EN 1555-5. Recommended practice for installation is given in EN 12007-2 ^[1] prepared by CEN/TC 234.

This Part of EN 1555 gives guidance to procedures and requirements for the assessment of conformity of materials, components, joints and is intended to be used by manufacturers, inspection bodies, testing laboratories and certification bodies.

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