

**Case: BC 22-03**  
**Boiler Attendant Requirements**  
**0800-03-03-.08(11)(a)**

*Statement of Need:* The staff of the Tennessee Boiler Unit is requesting a ruling by the Tennessee Board of Boiler Rules to allow boiler attendants perform checks pursuant to NB's recommendations every 1 hour instead of 20 minutes.

*Background:* The 20-minute rule was put into place in 1949 and with advances in technology in today's boilers these checks can be made once every hour.

*Inquiry:* Is it required for a power boiler 5 hp or 50 sq. ft. of heat-absorbing surface or greater be checked once an hour?

*Reply:* It is in the opinion of the TN Board of Boiler Rules that power boilers can be checked once an hour pursuant to NB's recommendations.

*Inquiry:* Is it required for an attendant to maintain boiler logs of the checks?

*Reply:* It is the opinion of the TN Board of Boiler Rules that the attendant shall maintain boiler logs of all hourly checks.