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Cold Duty SSSV Qualification Joint Industry
Project (JIP)

Status Update and Way Forward

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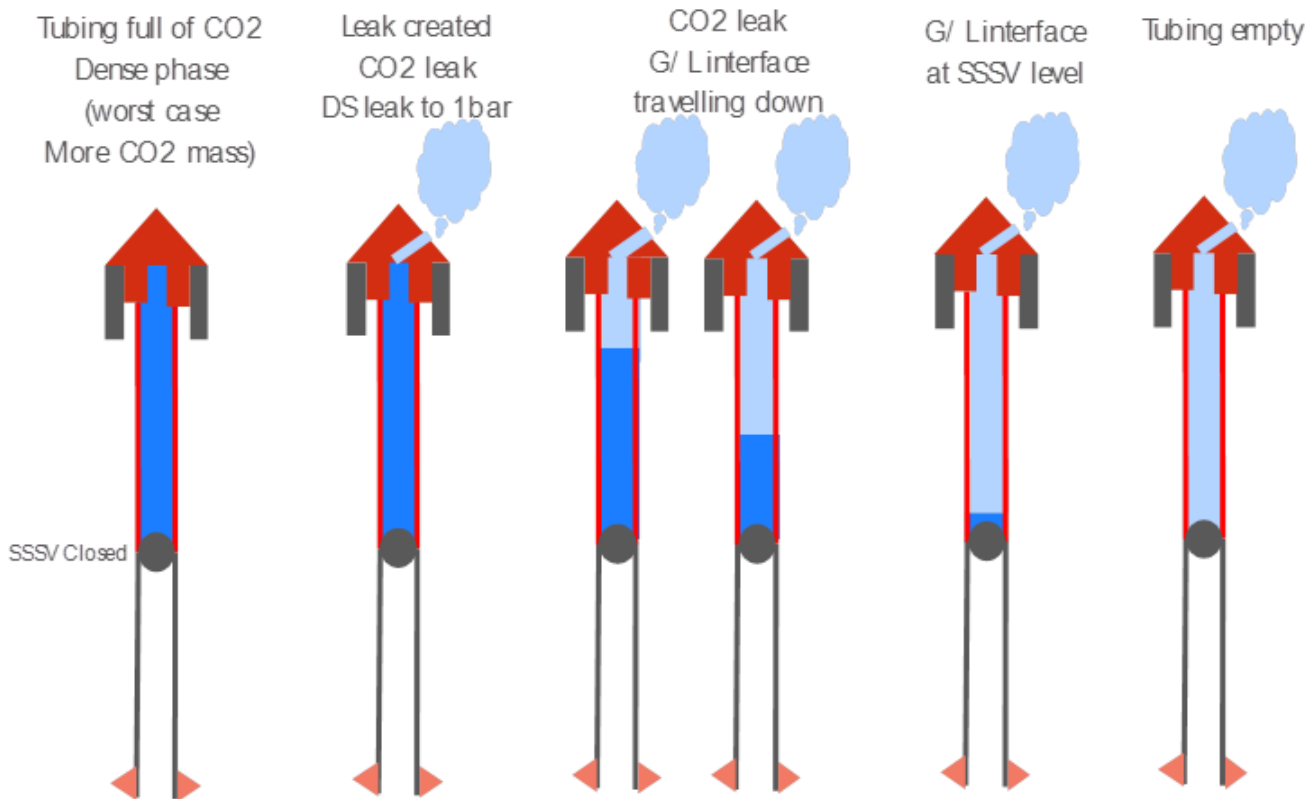
The Challenge



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Background

- **The challenge** – Barrier Failure Causes CO₂ Boil-Off/JT Cooling

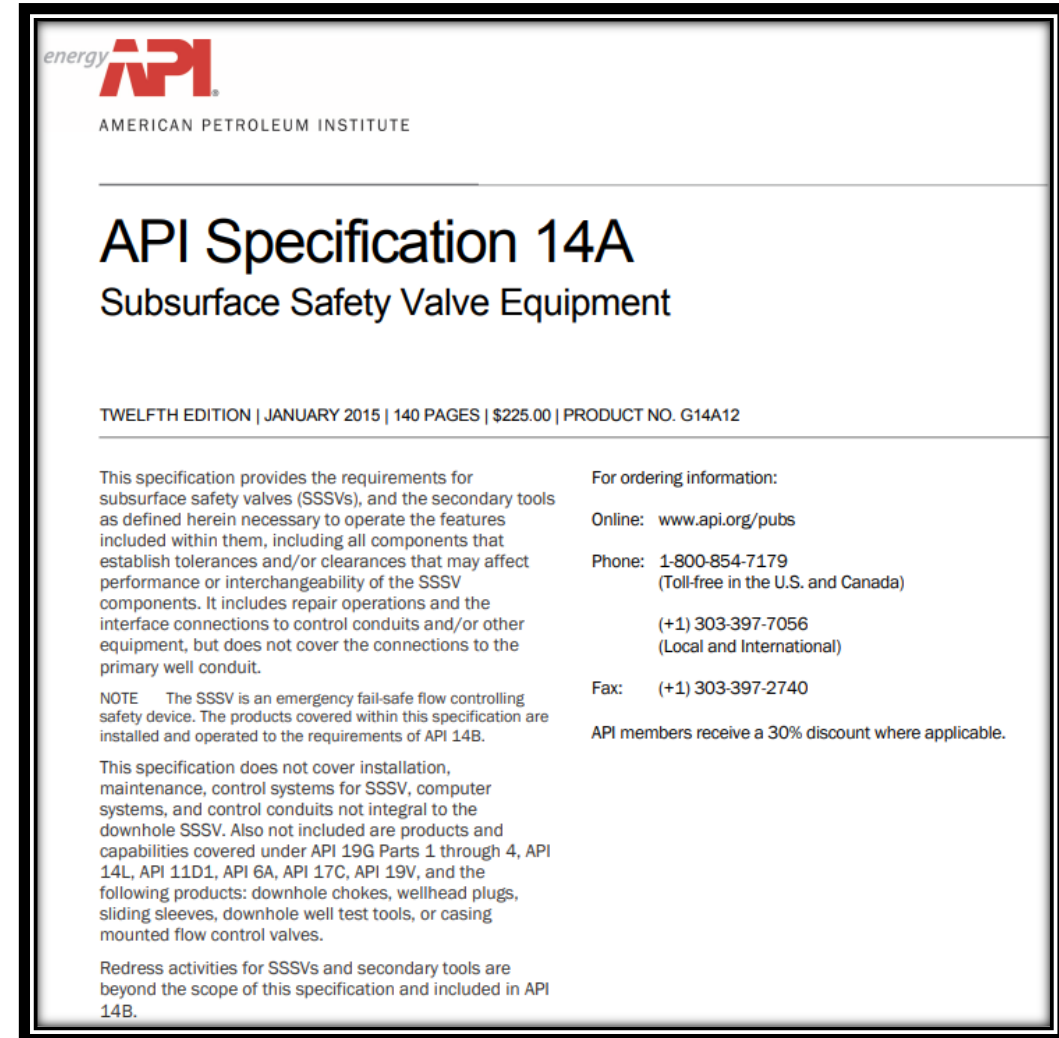


- **Qualified well barrier requirement.**
- **SSSV low-temperature performance**
- **Valves currently on market are not certified below -5°C.**
- **Few work done based upon testing individual SSSV components.**
- **Need identified for a general solution**
 - Full valve testing
 - Range of sizes
 - Cycling to -78°C
 - Capability to extend testing to other well components
- **JIP formed to address above challenge**
 - Currently 9 members

Joint Industry Project (JIP)

Project scope and objectives:

- Develop/agree a qualification protocol for SSSV for low temperature CO₂ service.
- Improve understanding of performance envelope of well components at low temperatures and address any outstanding gaps.
- Demonstrate satisfactory performance of hydraulically operated SSSV suitable for use in agreed partner applications under low temperature service conditions.



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API Specification 14A

Subsurface Safety Valve Equipment

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This specification provides the requirements for subsurface safety valves (SSSVs), and the secondary tools as defined herein necessary to operate the features included within them, including all components that establish tolerances and/or clearances that may affect performance or interchangeability of the SSSV components. It includes repair operations and the interface connections to control conduits and/or other equipment, but does not cover the connections to the primary well conduit.

NOTE The SSSV is an emergency fail-safe flow controlling safety device. The products covered within this specification are installed and operated to the requirements of API 14B.

This specification does not cover installation, maintenance, control systems for SSSV, computer systems, and control conduits not integral to the downhole SSSV. Also not included are products and capabilities covered under API 19G Parts 1 through 4, API 14L, API 11D1, API 6A, API 17C, API 19V, and the following products: downhole chokes, wellhead plugs, sliding sleeves, downhole well test tools, or casing mounted flow control valves.

Redress activities for SSSVs and secondary tools are beyond the scope of this specification and included in API 14B.

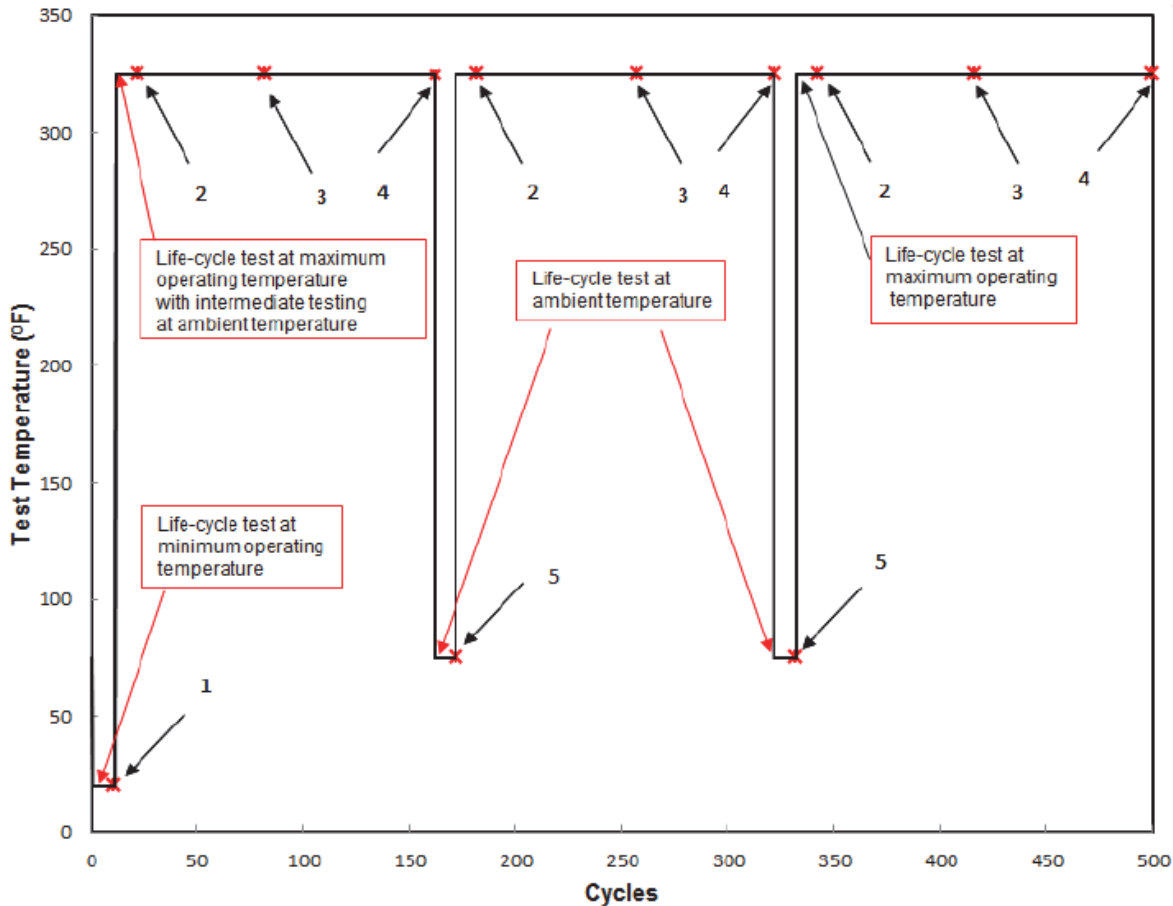
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Key:

X-axis number of operating cycles
Y-axis test temperature

- 1 Repeatability evaluation of 10 operating cycles at end of minimum rated operating temperature cycling
- 2 Repeatability evaluation of 10 operating cycles at start of the maximum rated temperature cycling
- 3 Repeatability evaluation of 10 operating cycles at midpoint of the maximum rated temperature cycling
- 4 Repeatability evaluation of 10 operating cycles at end of the maximum rated temperature cycling
- 5 Repeatability evaluation of 10 operating cycles at end of the ambient temperature cycling

Annex G: Validation Grade V1 Requirements

G.3: Operating Life Testing

Minimum of 500 operating cycles

- **Minimum Rated Operating Temperature Testing**

Minimum of 10 operating cycles

- **Maximum Rated Operating Temperature with Intermediate Ambient Temperature Testing**

Minimum of 300 cycles or 60 % of the total operating cycles (including a minimum of 10 operating cycles at ambient temperature at the approximate midpoint)

Figure G.1—Example of an Operating Life Test Profile

JIP Test Requirements

Adequate test facilities

- Full SCSSSV testing

Range of sizes:

- 3 1/2" – 5 1/2"

Injection pressure and temperature parameters:

- Survival temp: -78°C
- Max ambient temp: 80°C
- Transient & Steady state temp
- Rated working pressure

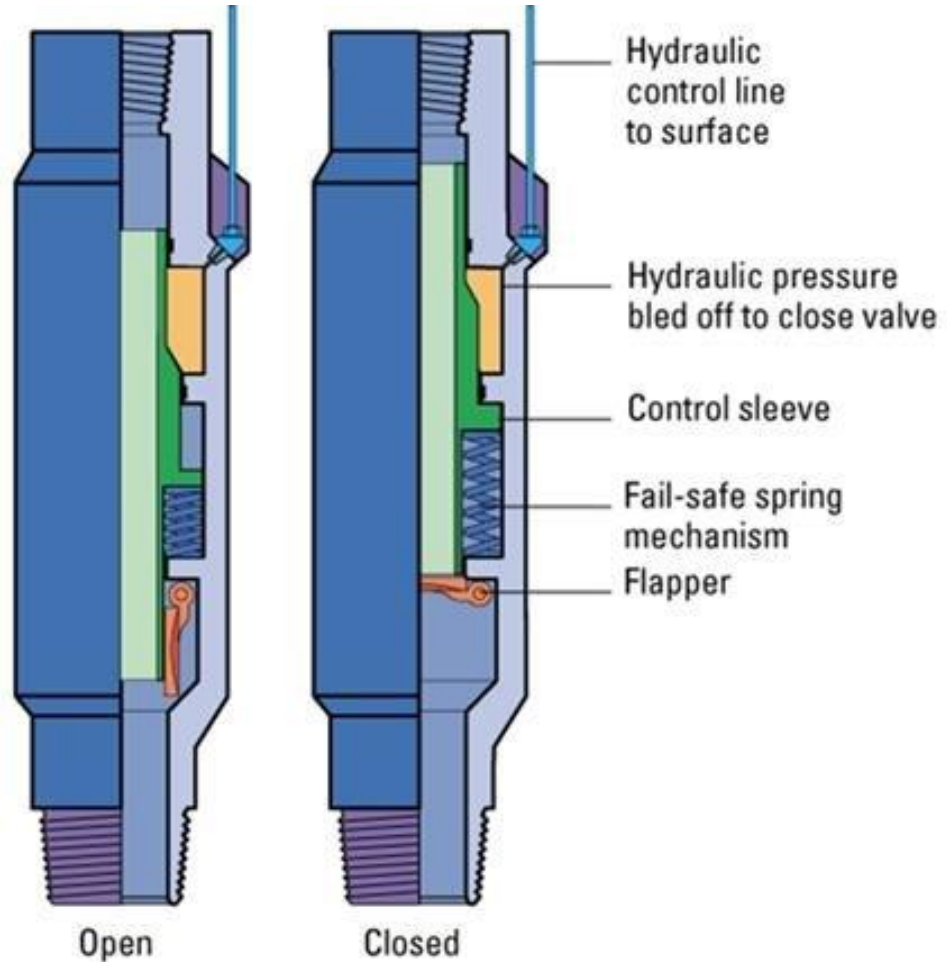
Number of cycles:

- >500 cycles

Additional Testing:

- Functional Test (Annex C)
- V3-V2 validation testing (Annex B)
- Differential Opening Test (slam open test)

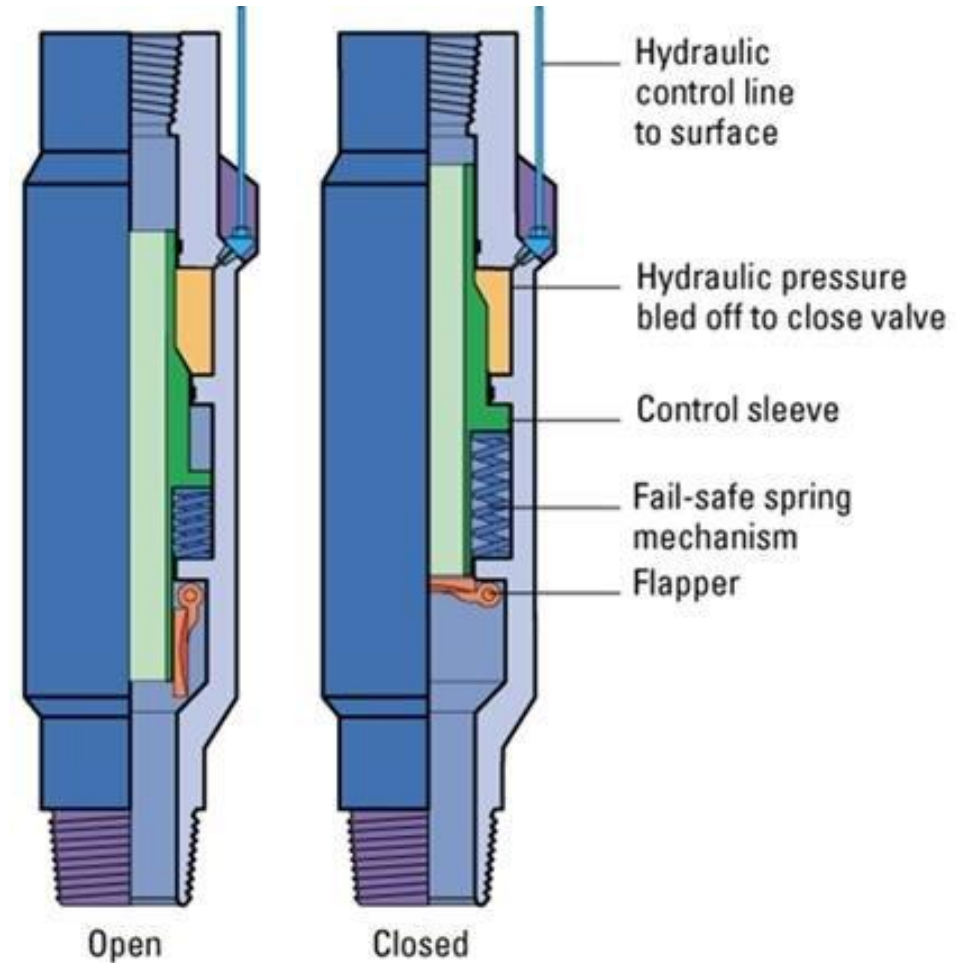
Test Requirements being finalised



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Other Considerations

- **Flapper design for size scalability**
- **Acceptance criteria**
- **Control lines fluid selection**
- Hydraulic fluid checks during cycles?
- **Consideration for other components such as clamps and connections, etc.**
- **Material Selection - Corrosion and Cracking concerns**



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Lessons learnt & Next steps

Key Lessons

- **Need for a range of experts to derive a robust FOAK qualification protocol**
- **Industry rose to this challenge working collaboratively to achieve a new test protocol for cold duty SSSV qualification.**
 - Especially operators + manufacturers
- **Duration of such collaboration in excess of 1 year.**
 - Inclusive of qualification protocol agreement & JIP funding and contracting



Next Steps:

- The JIP is managed by NZTC in Aberdeen and aims to commence in **2Q 2022** with the majority of testing complete within a 12-month period enabling projects to procure **qualified SCSSSV during 4Q 2023.**
- Continued positive and open collaboration among members.
- Continually engaged supply chain.





**“CCS is a necessity,
not an option.”**

Committee on Climate Change, May 2019