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RE: **Standard for Metal Ball Valves—Flanged, Threaded and Welding Ends  
Fourth Edition, December 2008  
Effective Date: June 2009**

Dear Colleague,

It is our pleasure to announce that API Standard for *Metal Ball Valves—Flanged, Threaded and Welding Ends*, Fourth Edition, was issued in December, 2008.

The following changes should be noted:

- Sizes and classes have increased
- Stem safety factors have changed
- Stem & ball electrical grounding are now mandatory
- New definitions

Please note the publication date for this document is **December, 2008** with an effective implementation date of **June, 2009**.

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