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(a) Upon the request of any company licensed to insure and insuring boilers and pressure vessels in this State or, upon the request of any company operating pressure vessels in this State which are regularly inspected and rated by an established inspection service under the supervision of one or more engineers whose qualifications are satisfactory to the Board and in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted by the Board, the Commissioner of Labor and Industry [shall] MAY issue [commissions to any inspectors of said company as special inspectors,] SPECIAL INSPECTOR COMMISSIONS TO AN INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYED BY THE COMPANY WHO SHALL SERVE AS THE COMPANY'S SPECIAL INSPECTOR PROVIDED THAT THE COMPANY AND THE INDIVIDUAL SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION [provided that each such inspector before receiving his commission shall satisfactorily pass the examination provided for in subsection (b) of this section, or, in lieu of such examination, shall hold a commission or a certificate of competency as an inspector of boilers and pressure vessels for a state that has a standard of examination substantially equal to that of the State of Maryland or a commission as an inspector of boilers and pressure vessels issued by the National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors]. A [commission as a special inspector] SPECIAL INSPECTOR COMMISSION shall be issued to an [inspector] INDIVIDUAL of a company operating pressure vessels in this State and representatives of employee organizations covered by a collective bargaining agreement only if, in addition to meeting the requirements stated [herein] IN THIS SECTION SUBTITLE, the [inspector] INDIVIDUAL is employed full time by the company and is responsible for making inspections of pressure vessels used, or to be used, by such company, and which are not for resale. [No special inspectors shall] SPECIAL INSPECTORS MAY NOT receive salary from[, nor shall] OR HAVE any of their expenses [be] paid by[, ] the State [, and the]. THE continuance of a special inspector's commission shall be conditioned upon [his] THE SPECIAL INSPECTOR continuing in the employ of the boiler insurance company duly authorized as aforesaid, or upon continuing in the employ of the company operating pressure vessels in this State and upon [his] THE SPECIAL INSPECTOR'S maintenance of the standards imposed by this subtitle. When [such] special inspectors inspect boilers and pressure vessels insured or all pressure vessels operated by their respective companies, [such] THE inspection shall exempt the owners and users of such boilers and pressure vessels from the payment to the State of the inspection fees provided for in this subtitle with respect to each boiler and pressure vessel so inspected.

(B) (1) IN ORDER FOR THE COMMISSIONER TO ISSUE A SPECIAL INSPECTOR COMMISSION TO AN INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYED BY A COMPANY DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, THE COMPANY SHALL:

(I) PAY A FEE ~~SET BY THE COMMISSIONER AS PROVIDED FOR IN § 178 OF THIS SUBTITLE;~~ AND

(II) SUBMIT, ON THE FORM THAT THE COMMISSIONER REQUIRES, THE NAME AND QUALIFICATIONS OF THE INDIVIDUAL WHO SHALL SERVE AS A SPECIAL INSPECTOR, INCLUDING EVIDENCE THAT THE INDIVIDUAL HAS SATISFIED THE REQUIREMENTS IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.