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TO: Monogram Licensees  
Monogram Applicants  
API Auditors

FROM: API Monogram Program

RE: Advisory 6 Design and Development Exclusion under the API Monogram Program Update

Please be advised that the **Advisory 6- Design and Development Exclusion under the API Monogram Program** has been updated.

The Advisory has been updated with the following changes:

- Design and Development exclusion is no longer mandatory when a product is listed in Advisory 6.
- Removed the API 6A product “Threaded Connectors” because this product is no longer in the API Monogram Program
- Effective July 1, 2020, several products will begin to require Design and Development, and therefore, they will be removed from Advisory 6. These products are:
  - API Spec 5B, all products
  - API Spec 7-1, Roller Bits
  - API Spec 7-1, Blade Drag Bits
  - API Spec 7-1, Diamond Bits
  - API Spec 7-1, PDC Bits
  - API Spec 7-2, all products
  - API Spec 11B, Thread Gauges

The authorized API Monogram Program Requirements document, along with a copy of this notification, can be found at: [API Monogram & APIQR: Advisories & Updates](#).

For questions or concerns regarding this update, please contact us at [www.api.org/ContactMonogram](http://www.api.org/ContactMonogram).

Thank you for your continued dedication and support in maintaining the highest quality and product standards throughout the oil and gas industry.

Sincerely,

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