Comments: (5-28-19, Internal)
We need to change this specification to allow for minor rehab projects not requires QP1 and SSPC designation. When you are just installing a couple of braces or misc metals, you should be able to do this work with your own forces.

Response: SSPC QP1 and NIICAP AS1F requirements are appropriate for coating all structural steel. The Department would be willing to work with industry to determine scalable requirements based on risk and complexity of the work.

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Comments: (5-30-19)
Seems we have overlapping and inconsistent language between the proposed language and Section 110-6.2.2, as it pertains to the removal of hazardous coating

**561-4.1 Field Preparation and Application:** For the surface preparation of steel and application of coatings, Submit a current Corporate QC Plan approved by Society for Protective Coatings (SPCC) or the National Association of Corrosion Engineers (NACE) International Institute Contractor Accreditation Program (NIICAP) AS-1F certification programs and SPCC-QP1 certifications as appropriate and a site specific Coating Plan to the Engineer at least 14 calendar days prior to beginning coatings work. For the removal of hazardous coatings, submit a current Corporate QC Plan approved by SPCC under SPCC QP1 and a site specific Coating Plan to the Engineer at least 14 calendar days prior to beginning coatings work. Do not begin coatings work until the site specific Coating Plan has been approved by the Engineer.

Response: While these articles contain similar requirements, they are intended for different applications. 561-4 is written in reference to Quality Control requirements for re-coating existing structural steel. 110-6.2.2 is written in reference to procedures involved with the removal of steel members when they contain hazardous coatings.
Comments: (6-14-19)
It should be noted that SSPC does not and will not review or approve QC plans.

Response: The language has been revised accordingly. The Department verified with SSPC that while QC Plans are reviewed as part of the QP program, the QC Plan itself is not directly approved.