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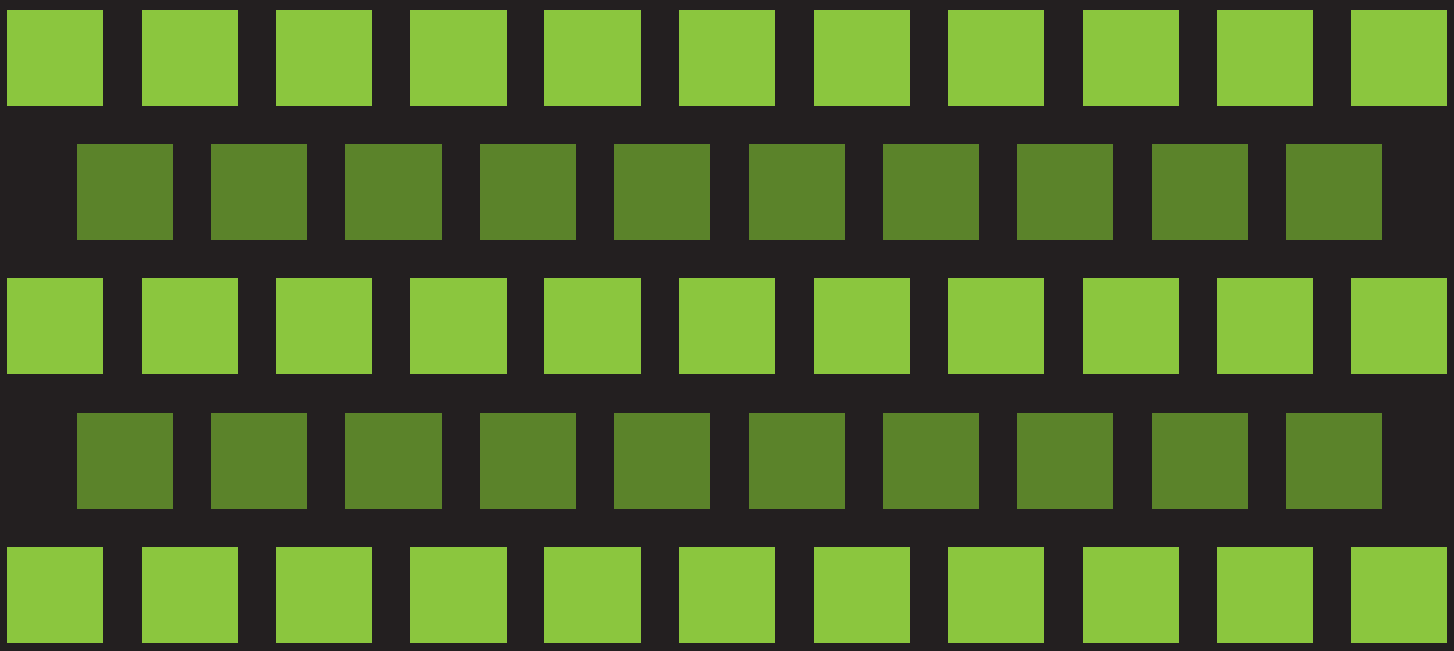

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This Criteria Document provides guidance to potential users of the proposed ASME Appendix B31.8R on Reliability Based Design and Assessment (RBDA) by documenting the relevant background information required to fully understand the requirements of the Appendix and to apply them correctly in decision making. The need for a Criteria Document was identified during the process of voting on ASME B31.8 Ballot No. 08-905 as a requirement for further consideration of the RBDA Appendix.

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