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The main changes are as follows:

- in Bibliography, new references were added;
- in 3.1.9 the wrong word “length” was corrected by “length”;
- in 3.2 the “cross-sectional area of the conduit” was replaced by “inner cross-sectional area of the conduit”;
- in 3.2.3.2 the “pipe diameter” was replaced by “inner pipe diameter”;
- in 3.2.3.2 the “rectangular conduit height” was replaced by “rectangular conduit inner height”;
- in 3.2.3.2 the “rectangular conduit width” was replaced by “rectangular conduit inner width”;
- in 3.2.3.2 the “pipe radius” was replaced by “inner pipe radius”;
- in 6.1.2.6.1.2 devices for improving flow conditions were mentioned;
- in 4.1.4.1 the “±” in the sentence “.....not greater than ±2 %” was deleted;

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