Enterprise Singapore

ANSI
American National Standards Institute

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

ENTERPRISE SINGAPORE BOARD

AND

THE AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS INSTITUTE

The Enterprise Singapore Board ("Enterprise Singapore") and the American National Standards Institute ("ANSI") (collectively referred to as "Parties" and each a "Party"):

Recognizing the desirability of the global use of international standards;

Committed to ensuring that their national standards and their application facilitate international trade, address the protection of environment, health, and safety, and support consumer confidence;

Pledging to facilitate cooperation between Enterprise Singapore and ANSI to that end;

Hereby endorse the following articles of this MOU concerning matters covering standardization, conformity assessment and the mutual exchange of information and publications between the respective organizations.

Article 1

Enterprise Singapore and ANSI agree to:

(1) exchange views on the activity, operations and program of work of various international and regional standardization and conformity assessment organizations, including but not limited to the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), the Pan American Standards Congress (COPANT) and Pacific Area Standards Congress (PASC)], if such exchange is not restricted by confidentiality obligations.

(2) share each other's views and, where feasible, work to develop mutually supportive positions relating to those organizations.

Article 2

Enterprise Singapore and ANSI agree to:

(1) facilitate dialogue among Singapore and US experts in various areas of standardization and conformity assessment as determined by special arrangements between the parties;

(2) encourage standards organizations in their countries to identify their counterpart groups for the purpose of establishing bilateral relationships, including mutual exchange of information and materials, trade shows/exhibits, and possible joint business ventures, to stimulate industry-to-industry cooperation as a building block to international standardization and free trade;

(3) arrange exchange of visits of the senior management of Enterprise Singapore and ANSI; and

(4) explore organizing and sponsoring conferences, workshops, technical symposia on standardization and conformity assessment subjects of mutual interest. The specific format of cooperation and funding terms will be decided separately by the parties.

Article 3

Enterprise Singapore and ANSI agree to exchange, using all appropriate media:

(1) current catalogues of their national standards and procedures published by the respective Parties;

(2) general information and publications on conformity assessment (including certification, suppliers declaration and accreditation) and quality assurance published by the respective Parties;

(3) general materials for training courses on standardization, conformity assessment and quality assurance developed and published by the respective Parties; and

(4) periodical publications and other relevant information published by the respective organizations. Further to this item, Enterprise Singapore is given ANSI's permission to translate and reprint free of charge any articles published in ANSI online news at www.ansi.org/news.

All intellectual property (including but not limited to patents, copyrights, design rights, know-how and trademarks) contained in the information provided by one Party to the other Party shall remain the sole and exclusive property of the Party providing such information, and the other Party shall have no rights to such intellectual property whatsoever. The Party providing such information may fully and unconditionally enforce its rights in respect of its intellectual property against the other Party and any third parties.

The Parties agree that their ownership of any intellectual property rights jointly created by the Parties in the course of performing this MOU shall be set forth in a separate agreement to be agreed between the Parties. This Clause shall survive the termination or expiry of this MOU.

Article 4

Save for clauses on Intellectual Property, Confidential Information and costs, this MOU is not intended to be, and shall not be construed as, legally binding. It merely represents the Parties' present intention to collaborate on achieving the objectives referred to in Article 1 to Article 3.

Any issues arising from the interpretation or implementation of this MOU will be settled through consultations between Enterprise Singapore and ANSI or such other means as they may mutually decide. The Parties shall observe the principles of honesty and good faith in the negotiation and execution of any further agreements subsequent and in connection with this MOU, and in any collaborative activities contemplated herein.

Article 5

(1) This MOU can be amended by the written agreement of both parties.

(2) This MOU is valid until terminated. Either Party may terminate this MOU by providing the other party with a written notice at least six months in advance.

(3) Notice to terminate or amend the MOU shall not retroactively change the terms of any existing project or program being undertaken by the parties for the specific term of the project or program without consent of both parties.

(4) Each Party will, subject to the laws governing that Party, take all reasonable steps to maintain the confidentiality of non-public information provided by the other Party and identified in writing as personal, confidential or commercially sensitive information, and continue to do so notwithstanding the expiry or termination of this MOU at any time for a period of one (1) year following termination, having regard to the provisions of their applicable national legislation. Each Party will advise the other Party of the status of information at the time it is provided. Each Party will oppose, to the fullest extent possible, consistent with the laws governing that Party, any application by a third party for disclosure of non-public information provided to it under this MOU that is personal, confidential or commercially sensitive information but will not be held liable for required disclosure by lawful order of legal or regulatory body, provided the Party informs the other Party in advance of disclosure.

(5) Each Party shall bear its own costs and expenses incurred in the negotiation, preparation and execution of this MOU and the performance of its respective obligations under this MOU except as otherwise agreed between the Parties in writing. Without prejudice to the generality of Clause (5), the Parties shall mutually agree in advance in writing on (i) any costs with respect to any collaborative activity contemplated in this MOU; and (ii) the manner in which such costs are to be borne by the respective Parties.

Signed in Singapore on 8th June 2026, in duplicate in the English language.

FOR THE ENTERPRISE SINGAPORE BOARD

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