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Panel IV: Copyright Issues

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Copyright law implications of voluntary standards activities, including the impact of Digital Rights Management technologies, a review of when standards become "the law," such as the *Veeck* Case and its aftermath, and finally, licensing practices of SDOs.



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SDO Licensing



## Protecting Intellectual Property - ANSI Response - ExCo Copyright Ad Hoc

- The ExCo Copyright AHG will delineate and review issues relating to the assertion of copyright in standards. The AHG will then seek to develop strategic recommendations
  - (a) to assist standards bodies and participants in arriving at a common understanding of these issues and addressing them in a constructive manner,
  - (b) to formulate ANSI's actions and policy positions vis-à-vis the government, and
  - (c) to provide guidance to the relevant ANSI governance bodies



# ANSI IPR Policy Committee to be created in 2005 Section 6.05 of the new By-Laws

- The new IPRPC is broader than the combined mission of the existing Patent Group and Copyright Ad Hoc Group, expanding the focus of these two groups in a number of important ways.
- One key area on which the new policy committee will focus is the IPR-related aspects of international trade and public policy.
- The new policy committee will *not* impact the important work that has been done and will continue to be done by the Patent Group (*i.e.*, addressing issues relating to intellectual property rights embedded in standards) and, more recently, by the Copyright Ad Hoc Group (*i.e.*, addressing issues relating to the assertion of copyrights in standards).
- The new IPRPC is intended to complement and strengthen the role of these groups, not replace them.



## Protecting Intellectual Property - ANSI Response

- ANSI Organizational Member Forum (OMF) created a Digital Rights Management (DRM) Ad Hoc
  - DRM Ad Hoc supported by Bob<sup>2</sup>
    - One subgroup on Maximum Permission Parameters
    - One subgroup on Common Definitions and FAQs
    - A small Ad Hoc on technical issues resolution
    - Focus has been individual SDO DRM experiences
    - Three technologies currently being used for DRM in ANSI-Land



## **Protecting IP: Objectives**

#### **■** Keep the honest people honest

- You do not want to hinder the customer from legitimate product usage
- Be able to protect documents in Electronic and hardcopy form (DRM and Dynamic Stamping)

#### ■ Implement a way to track usage, activity and licenses.

- Tracking usage through product activity logs
- Tracking usage through DRM credentials
- Track documents that have been distributed through hardcopy (*i.e.*, photocopies)

#### **■** Protecting the Customer's investment in the Products

- Informing the customer about potential security breaches resulting in the misuse of their accounts
- Enforcing compliance through Digital Rights Management



## **Protecting IP: Challenges**

#### ■ Volume of Information

- Variety of sources for usage analysis
- Integrating licensing information

### ■ Catering for the customers weird and wonderful environment

- Desktop control software
- Firewalls
- Versions of core software (Browsers, Operating System, Adobe Acrobat Reader)

### Location - proposed Day Light Savings Time changes :-

- Time changes would not be reflected in Canada for 2 months of the year
- Any discounts offered by time zone would have to cater for this time difference by exact location (time zone AND country)

#### Management

- To be able to analyze data and produce reports quickly
- Encrypt/Watermark documents in Real-Time
- Audit information to assist Customer Service



## **DRM: Requirements**

- **■** Protecting Electronic Documents
- Protecting Media
- Protecting Hardcopy



## Factors that affect DRM: Library Model

### Library Model

- Allowing a license for document to be moved to a different machine
- May violate the Digital Millennium Copyright Act if the document is not deleted from the source machine.
- If not strictly controlled, can negatively affect revenue



## **IHS Retail DRM Permissions**

- One SDO's requirement for document locking may be different from another judged on the customer base
- Let the SDOs dictate DRM permissions for their collection of documents How do we deal with co-copyrighted documents?
- Use the current DRM requirements established through the Ad Hoc DRM meetings as a starting point



## **Subscription DRM Permissions**

- Need consistent DRM permissions across SDOs. A customer that has access to content that spans multiple SDOs, should not have to contend with differing permissions.
- Files should be downloaded only by authorized users. When downloaded, files should not be movable from one computer to another.
- If the license expires and the customer does not renew, any previously downloaded file should be automatically rendered unusable and unviewable.
- Contracts with customers should reflect additional charges based on DRM audit information. Resellers need to have a legal stance for compliance based on DRM audit information

