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Dear Mr. Bhatia,

Congratulations to the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) on a century of service in support of U.S. economic competitiveness.

Since its founding in 1918, ANSI has served as administrator and coordinator of the vibrant market-led United States private sector voluntary standardization system. Throughout its history, ANSI has worked to advance the global competitiveness of U.S. business and the American quality of life by promoting and facilitating voluntary consensus standards and conformity assessment systems and promoting their integrity.

ANSI’s guidelines, consensus standards, and assessment systems impact businesses in nearly every industry and almost all of the products we use each day. The Institute has helped strengthen our global economy and been a leader in encouraging organizations to comply with international standards so that goods and products can be used worldwide.

In honor of its milestone centennial anniversary, I applaud the Institute and all of its supporters for the indelible impact they have made.

Sincerely,

Lamar Smith  
Chairman