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What’s New?

*What’s New?* is a weekly electronic newsletter produced and distributed free of charge to the members and constituents of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). For a complete listing of ANSI news and events, please visit our website, [ANSI Online](http://www.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew032612). [>>>](http://www.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew032612)

HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**Don’t Miss the ANSI Energy Efficiency Standards Panel Exploratory Meeting!**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3196&source=whatsnew040212)

**April 25, Washington, DC**

[**In-person Attendee Registration**](https://eseries.ansi.org/source/Events/Event.cfm?EVENT=EESP_0412&source=whatsnew040212)[**Webinar Registration**](https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/690912992%26source%3Dwhatsnew040212)

[**Input Sought on Federal Register Notice from OMB on Circular A-119, Federal Participation in Standardization**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3204&source=whatsnew040212)

A March 30 Federal Register notice from the Office of Management and Budget invites input on whether and how to supplement Circular A-119, “Federal Participation in the Development and Use of Voluntary Consensus Standards and in Conformity Assessment Activities.” ANSI will collect comments and develop a consensus response on behalf of the standardization community.
[more...](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3204&source=whatsnew040212)

[**FQS Accredits Plano PD Crime Scene Investigation Unit**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3202&source=whatsnew040212)

The ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board/FQS has accredited the Plano, Texas, Police Department Crime Scene Investigation Unit to ISO/IEC 17020 for forensic inspection.
[more...](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3202&source=whatsnew040212)

**[Newly Formed ISO Committee on Sustainable Development in Communities to Meet July 2-6](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3205&source=whatsnew040212)**

On July 2-6, 2012, AFNOR – the French member body to ISO – will host a meeting of a newly formed ISO Technical Committee in the field of sustainable development in communities. Affected stakeholders who are interested in sponsoring the formation of a U.S. TAG to ISO TC 268, are invited to contact ANSI.
[more...](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3205&source=whatsnew040212)

[**Act Now: Several Seats Still Available for April 11 Course, *The American Way***](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3200&source=whatsnew040212)

There’s still time to register for the upcoming course, The American Way, to be held by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) on April 11 at ANSI’s New York office.
[more...](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3200&source=whatsnew040212)

[**ANSI Welcomes New Members**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3201&source=whatsnew040212)

ANSI proudly welcomed 27 new members in March 2012.
[more...](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3201&source=whatsnew040212)

[**Voluntary Standards Cover the Spectrum: from Human Cell Lines to Occupational Risks**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3199&source=whatsnew040212)

In an effort to communicate the vital role that standards play in daily life, ANSI publishes snapshots of the diverse standards initiatives undertaken in the global and national standards arena, many of which are performed by ANSI members and ANSI-accredited standards developers. In this issue: human cell lines and occupational risks.
[more...](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3199&source=whatsnew040212)

[**Did You Know?**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3203&source=whatsnew040212)

*Did You Know?* offers a quick look at the broad scope of activities underway within the ANSI Federation, highlighting the people and initiatives making waves in standardization. In this issue: NSF International and JWPA Joint Protocol for Iodine in Water Treatment; BPI Certifications for U.S. Veterans; New ISO Environmental Management Accounting Standard; [more](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?admin=1&articleid=3203&source=whatsnew040212).

SOCIAL MEDIA

ANSI actively participates in a number of social media websites, making pertinent information about events and initiatives readily accessible and providing a place of discussion for the U.S. standardization community.

Check us out on …

                   

PUBLIC POLICY

*Federal Register* notices of potential interest …

[Standards and Trade Related Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, March 27 – April 2, 2012](http://publicsp.ansi.org:8080/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2012/04%2002%2012.pdf?&source=whatsnew040212" \o "http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2009/08%2021%202009.doc?&source=whatsnew082409 http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Regist)

[National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, January 1, 2012 – February 13, 2012](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2012/NCRPNotices%2002%2013%2012.pdf?&source=whatsnew032612)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[***Standards Action* – March 30, 2012**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2012_PDFs/SAV4313.pdf?&source=whatsnew040212)The latest issue of ANSI’s key public review vehicle.

[***United States Standards Strategy* (USSS) *– Third Edition***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Activities/NSSC/USSS_Third_edition/USSS%202010-sm.pdf?&source=whatsnew040212)
The *United States Standards Strategy* provides a framework that can be used by all interested parties to further advance trade issues, and a vision for the future of the U.S. standards system in today’s globally competitive economy.[***2010-2011 Annual Report***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/Annual%20Report%20Archive/ANSI_2010_11_AnnualReport.pdf?&source=whatsnew040212)
This year's annual report, *Standardization – Paving the Road to Innovation*, describes how ANSI and its Federation of members have continued to use the power of collaboration to develop solutions for economic growth, innovation, and global priorities, fortifying the U.S. marketplace position in the global economy through standards-based solutions to national and global priorities.

Check out our other[publications](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/periodicals/overview.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew040212)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/ther_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew040212).

CALENDAR

Please check the [Events Section](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/events.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew040212) of ANSI Online regularly for updated and new event information.

[**Exploratory Meeting: ANSI Energy Efficiency Standards Panel**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3196&source=whatsnew040212)April 25, 2012
Washington, DC, Metro area

[**World Standards Week 2012**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/WSW12/wsw.aspx?menuid=8source=whatsnew040212)October 9-12, 2012
Washington, DC

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Please check the [Education and Training](http://www.ansi.org/education_trainings/overview.aspx?menuid=9?&source=whatsnew040212) page of ANSI Online regularly for listings of upcoming courses.

Visit[StandardsLearn.org](http://www.standardslearn.org/?&source=whatsnew040212), the premier online source for standards and conformity assessment education, for easy-to-use educational tools that address the full range of standards activities. All of the courses and resources are free and provided by ANSI as a public service.

[**New on StandardsLearn.org: Standardization Case Studies**](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?&source=whatsnew040212)

From radiation detection to quality drinking water, a wide variety of topics are addressed by these case studies, where standardization – either the concept or actual practice – helped in the resolution of real-world problems. Instructors can use these case studies as a vehicle to stimulate class discussion of standardization in their discipline, along with the economic and/or operational consequences of addressing or not addressing the issues or needs.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

As a service to our members and constituents in the U.S. standards and conformity assessment community, ANSI provides an [online network](http://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew?&source=whatsnew040212) connecting the most progressive companies with the most qualified career-minded individuals.

Openings are frequently available in ANSI’s New York and Washington, DC, offices. For more information or to submit your qualifications, visit the [Career Opportunities Section](http://www.ansi.org/career_opportunities/positions_available/position_available.aspx?menuid=13&source=whatsnew?&source=whatsnew040212) of ANSI Online.

STORE

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Learn more about this issue’s featured package:

[**Road Vehicles Functional Safety Package: ISO 26262**](http://webstore.ansi.org/RecordDetail.aspx?sku=ISO+26262+-+Road+Vehicles+Functional+Safety+Package&source=whatsnew040212)
The ISO 26262 - Road Vehicles Functional Safety Package provides the comprehensive collection of standards to manage and implement road vehicle functional safety, from the concept phase to production and operation. The package has supporting documents such as guides, vocabulary and safety-oriented analysis

For information about the inventory of thousands of documents available from the [eStandards Store](http://webstore.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew040212) (eSS), please visit [webstore.ansi.org](http://webstore.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew040212) or contact ANSI Customer Service (212.642.4980, storemanager@ansi.org).

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