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What’s New?

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HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

**[ANSI Issues Report from the April 25 Exploratory Meeting for an Energy Efficiency Standards Panel](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3245&source=whatsnew052112)**

Based on input received at the meeting, a proposed framework for the panel’s path forward with regard to scope, mission, deliverables, and structure will be released in the coming weeks.
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[**U.S. Shows Strong Leadership and Participation at the COPANT General Assembly in Brazil**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3248&source=whatsnew052112)

ANSI led a strong U.S. presence including a 13-member delegation at the COPANT General Assembly (GA) on May, 6-11, 2012, in Fortaleza, Brazil.
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[**ANSI Members NSF International and ASPE Advance Safer Water Worldwide**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3250&source=whatsnew052112)

NSF International and the American Society of Plumbing Engineers signed an MOU to advance public health and sustainability initiatives within the plumbing industry. NSF International is an ANSI audited designator, and ASPE was recently approved as an ANSI accredited standards developer.

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**[Public and Private Sectors Agree: Strong Manufacturing Is Key to U.S. Innovation and a Competitive Future](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3245&source=whatsnew052112)**

Top U.S. scientists, industry leaders, and public officials came together at a summit earlier this month to discuss how a stronger U.S. economy is dependent upon our manufacturing capability. The federal government is seeking input on cross-sector initiatives to bolster manufacturing.
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[**ISO Releases New Digital Object Identifier Standard**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3246&source=whatsnew052112)

ISO has released new International Standard that provides a system for assigning a unique international identification code to objects for use on digital networks, ISO 26324:2012, *Information and documentation – Digital object identifier system.*
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[**Building Safety Month Promotes Disaster Preparedness and Effective Codes and Standards**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3247&source=whatsnew052112)

American National Standards Are at the core of structural safety.
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[**People on the Move**](https://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3249&source=whatsnew052112)

People on the Move spotlights trailblazers in standardization, highlighting their latest achievements, advancements, and contributions to the standards community. In this issue: Laurie E. Locascio, Richard Cavanagh, and Tom Chestnut.

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PUBLIC POLICY

*Federal Register* notices of potential interest …

[Standards and Trade Related Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, May 8 – May 14, 2012](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2012/05%2021%2012.pdf?&source=whatsnew052112" \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, March 1, 2012 – May 14, 2012](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2012/NCRPNotices%2005_14_12.pdf?&source=whatsnew051412)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[***Standards Action* – May 18, 2012**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2012_PDFs/SAV4320.pdf?&source=whatsnew052112)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=whatsnew052112)
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=whatsnew052112)
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=whatsnew052112)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/other_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew052112).

CALENDAR

Please check the [Events Section](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/events.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew052112) of ANSI Online regularly for updated and new event information.

**[ANSI-HSSP Workshop on CBRNE Standards](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2012/hssp_workshop0512.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew052112)**September 11, 2012
Arlington, VA

[**World Standards Week 2012**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/WSW12/wsw.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew052112)October 9-12, 2012
Washington, DC

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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[**New on StandardsLearn.org: Standardization Case Studies**](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?&source=whatsnew052112)

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=whatsnew052112) 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=whatsnew052112) of ANSI Online.

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Learn more about this issue’s featured package:

[**SAE J 2344 / SAE J 2464 / SAE J 2758 / ISO 6469 - Rechargeable Energy Storage System (RESS) Package**](http://webstore.ansi.org/RecordDetail.aspx?sku=SAE+J+2344+%2f+SAE+J+2464+%2f+SAE+J+2758+%2f+ISO+6469+-+Rechargeable+Energy+Storage++System+(RESS)+Package&source=whatsnew052112)

The SAE J 2344 / SAE J 2464 / SAE J 2758 / ISO 6469 - Rechargeable Energy Storage System (RESS) Package provides the requirements for the testing and safety of rechargeable energy storage systems (RESS). Testing and safety guidelines are applicable to high voltage electric vehicles, hybrid electric vehicles, plug-in hybrids, fuel Cell Vehicles (FCV) and Plug-In fuel Cell Vehicles.

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