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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=whatsnew040113)

HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**Catherine Pilarz Named Recipient of Ronald H. Brown Standards Leadership Award**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3569&source=whatsnew040113)

Catherine (Kitty) H. Pilarz, senior director of product safety for Mattel/Fisher-Price, has been selected by the U.S. Celebration of World Standards Day Planning Committee as the 2013 recipient of the prestigious Ronald H. Brown Standards Leadership Award. She will be honored by members of the U.S. standards and conformance community on Thursday, October 3, 2013, at the Fairmont Washington in Washington, DC.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3569&source=whatsnew040113)

[**ANSI Seeks Comment on Proposed New ISO Standard on Requirements for Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3553&source=whatsnew040113)

The British Standards Institution (BSI), the United Kingdom’s member body to the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), has submitted a proposal for a new international standard that would specify requirements for an occupational health and safety (OH&S) management system. ANSI invites all interested stakeholders to submit comments on the proposal by Friday, April 26, 2013.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3553&source=whatsnew040113)

[**ANSI Welcomes New Members**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3570&source=whatsnew040113)

ANSI proudly welcomed 7 new members in March 2013.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3570&source=whatsnew040113)

[**Batter Up! Enjoy Baseball’s Opening Day with Standards**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3561&source=whatsnew040113)

On Sunday, March 31, 2013, baseball fans across the country and around the world celebrated opening day, marking the beginning of the 2013 Major League Baseball regular season. Voluntary consensus standards played an important role in helping fans get the full experience of opening day.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3561&source=whatsnew040113)

[**Voluntary Standards Cover the Spectrum: from Carbon Dioxide Storage to Cable Telecommunications Facilities**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3560&source=whatsnew040113)

In an effort to communicate the vital role that standards play in daily life, ANSI publishes a series of 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. This month: carbon dioxide storage and cable telecommunications facilities.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3560&source=whatsnew040113)

[**Standards Hit the High Note during Music in Our Schools Month**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3563&source=whatsnew040113)

ANSI is pleased to recognize the nationwide celebration of Music in Our Schools Month, which takes place every March. Standards hold an important place in the ensemble of factors that support music and music education, providing essential support for the equipment and systems used in today’s school music programs.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3563&source=whatsnew040113)

[**Did You Know?**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3567&source=whatsnew040113)

*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.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3567&source=whatsnew040113)

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.

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PUBLIC POLICY

*Federal Register* notices of potential interest …

[Standards and Trade Related Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, March 26, 2013 – April 1, 2013](http://publicsp.ansi.org:8080/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2013/04%2001%2013.pdf)

[National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, March 8, 2013 – April 1, 2013](http://publicsp.ansi.org:8080/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2013/NCRPNotices%2004_01_13.pdf)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[**Standards Action – March 29, 2013**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2013_PDFs/SAV4413.pdf?&source=whatsnew040113)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==whatsnew040113)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.[***2011-2012 Annual Report***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/Annual%20Report%20Archive/ANSI_2011_12_Annual_Report_Final_with_Roster.pdf?&source=whatsnew040113)This year's annual report, *Leadership for a Rapidly Changing World*, 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=whatsnew040113)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/other_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew040113).

CALENDAR

Please check the [Events Section](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/events.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew040113) of ANSI Online regularly for updated and new event information.

[**ANSI Intellectual Property Rights Policy Committee (IPRPC) Meeting**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2013/Member_Forum.aspx?menuid=8#.UQbM0fKDl8F&source=whatsnew040113)April 2-3, 2013
Arlington, VA

[**ANSI Company Member Forum (CMF) Meeting**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2013/Member_Forum.aspx?menuid=8#.UQbM0fKDl8F&source=whatsnew040113)April 3-4, 2013
Arlington, VA

[**ANSI Joint Member Forum (JMF) Meeting**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2013/Member_Forum.aspx?menuid=8#.UQbM0fKDl8F&source=whatsnew040113)April 4, 2013
Arlington, VA

[**ANSI Organizational Member Forum (OMF) Meeting**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2013/Member_Forum.aspx?menuid=8#.UQbM0fKDl8F&source=whatsnew040113)April 5, 2013
Arlington, VA

[**World Standards Week (WSW) 2013**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/wsw13/wsw.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew040113)September 30–October 4, 2013
Washington, DC

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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Visit[StandardsLearn.org](http://www.standardslearn.org/?&source=whatsnew040113), 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.

[**Standardization Case Studies**](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?&source=whatsnew040113)

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=whatsnew040113) 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=whatsnew040113) of ANSI Online.

STORE

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Learn more about this issue’s featured package:

**[ANSI/AAMI/ISO 13485 / ANSI/AAMI/IEC 62304 / ANSI/AAMI/ISO 14971 - Medical Devices Package](http://webstore.ansi.org/RecordDetail.aspx?sku=ANSI%2fAAMI%2fISO+13485+%2f+ANSI%2fAAMI%2fIEC+62304+%2f+ANSI%2fAAMI%2fISO+14971+-+Medical+Devices+Package)**

The ANSI/AAMI/ISO 13485 / ANSI/AAMI/IEC 62304 / ANSI/AAMI/ISO 14971 - Medical Devices Package provides the support to develop, implement, and maintain a medical devices quality and risk management system. It also includes the requirements for the software life cycle process for medical device software.

For information about the inventory of thousands of documents available from the [eStandards Store (eSS)](http://webstore.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew040113), please visit [webstore.ansi.org](http://webstore.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew040113) or contact ANSI Customer Service (212.642.4980, storemanager@ansi.org).

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