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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=whatsnew072213)

HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**Arbitration of RAND Disputes Will Be the Focus of ANSI’s 2013 Legal Issues Forum**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3674&source=whatsnew072213)

As part of World Standards Week, ANSI will hold a Legal Issues Forum on Tuesday, October 1, 2013, at the Newseum’s Knight Conference Center in Washington, DC.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3674&source=whatsnew072213)

[**ANSI Announces Recipients of the 2013 Leadership and Service Awards**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3673&source=whatsnew072213)

Seventeen distinguished recipients will be recognized for their significant contributions to national and international standardization activities during an October 2 ceremony held in conjunction with World Standards Week in Washington, DC.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3673&source=whatsnew072213)

[**ANSI Announces Winners of 2013 Student Paper Competition**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3670&source=whatsnew072213)

Chris Golden of New York’s Columbia University is the first-place winner of the second-annual ANSI student paper competition. Second place has been awarded to Heather R. Schimmelpfennig of Alabama’s Columbia Southern University. The contest is part of an ANSI-led effort to raise awareness about the strategic importance of standards and conformance among U.S. undergraduate and graduate students.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3670&source=whatsnew072213)

[**ANSI Partners with the Sustainable Purchasing Leadership Council**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3671&source=whatsnew072213)

As part of its continuing efforts to support effective standards and accreditation activities, ANSI has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Sustainable Purchasing Leadership Council (SPLC).

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3671&source=whatsnew072213)

[**Expansion of L.A. Light Rail System Moves Forward with a Push from Standards**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3640&source=whatsnew072213)

Throughout the planning, building, and operation of these new light rail stations, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority can turn to voluntary consensus standards for guidance and other assistance.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3640&source=whatsnew072213)

[**Standards Enhance the Great Outdoors during National Park and Recreation Month**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3668&source=whatsnew072213)

Year-in, year-out, voluntary consensus standards are there to help provide essential support to the facilities and equipment that make being active and spending time outside so much fun.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3668&source=whatsnew072213)

[**Did You Know?**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3672&source=whatsnew072213)

*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: Environmental Industry Associations; FM Global; NFPA; APA – The Engineered Wood Association; Green Seal; and the American Society of Plumbing Engineers.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3672&source=whatsnew072213)

SOCIAL MEDIA

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PUBLIC POLICY

*Federal Register* notices of potential interest …

[Standards and Trade Related Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, July 16, 2013 – July 22, 2013](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2013/07%2022%2013.pdf)

[National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, June 25, 2013 – July 22, 2013](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2013/NCRPNotices%2007_01_13.pdf)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[**Standards Action – July 19, 2013**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2013_PDFs/SAV4429.pdf?&source=whatsnew072213)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==whatsnew072213)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.

[***United States Conformity Assessment Principles* (USCAP) *– Third Edition***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/USCAP%202011.pdf?&source==whatsnew072213)The *United States Conformity Assessment Principles* document articulates the principles for U.S. conformity assessment activities that the consumer, buyers, sellers, regulators and other interested parties should be aware of to have confidence in the processes of providing conformity assessment, while avoiding the creation of unnecessary barriers to trade.

[***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=whatsnew072213)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.

[***What Is ANSI?***](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/News%20and%20Publications/Brochures/WhatIsANSI_brochure.pdf?&source=whatsnew072213)This user-friendly introduction to ANSI provides a brief overview of many of the Institute’s programs and activities, with links to more detailed information.

Check out our other[publications](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/periodicals/overview.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew072213)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/other_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew072213).

CALENDAR

Please check the [Events Section](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/events.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew072213) of ANSI Online regularly for updated and new event information.

[**ANSI Nuclear Energy Standards Coordination Collaborative (NESCC) Meeting**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2013/nescc_0713.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew072213)July 23, 2013
Washington, DC

[**World Standards Week (WSW) 2013**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/wsw13/wsw.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew072213)September 30–October 4, 2013
Washington, DC

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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[**Standardization Case Studies**](http://www.standardslearn.org/standardization_case_studies.aspx?&source=whatsnew072213)

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=whatsnew072213) 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=whatsnew072213) of ANSI Online.

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Learn more about this issue’s featured package:

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BS EN ISO 18113 - In Vitro Diagnostic Medical Devices Package defines concepts, establishes general principles and specifies essential requirements for information supplied by manufacturers of IVD medical devices.

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