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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=whatsnew093013)

HEADLINES

A summary of this issue’s top stories…

[**George Washington University Partners with ANSI to Lead Study on Credentialing Standards**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3739&source=whatsnew093013)

George Washington University (GWU)’s George Washington Institute of Public Policy (GWIPP) recently announced that it has received a grant from the Lumina Foundation to fund a study examining how ANSI can work to coordinate standards and conformity assessment systems to improve transparency and trust in U.S. labor market credentialing.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3739&source=whatsnew093013)

[**NESCC Announces New Nuclear Standards Listings Database**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3738&source=whatsnew093013)

The Nuclear Energy Standards Coordination Collaborative (NESCC) is pleased to announce the launch of a database providing easily accessible information about the listings of standards in the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)’s Regulatory Guides.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3738&source=whatsnew093013)

[**ANSI Seeks Organizations to Take Part in International Standards Development Work on Microbiology**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3744&source=whatsnew093013)

ANSI has announced a call for participation in the ANSI-accredited U.S. Technical Advisory Group (TAG) for International Organization for Standardization (ISO) Technical Committee (TC) 34, *Food products*, Subcommittee (SC) 9, *Microbiology*.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3744&source=whatsnew093013)

[**ANSI Mourns the Loss of Ralph Showers**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3740&source=whatsnew0923013)

Ralph M. Showers, Ph.D., emeritus professor of electrical engineering at the University of Pennsylvania and honorary life member of the U.S. National Committee to the International Electrotechnical Commission (USNC/IEC), passed away on Sunday, September 8, at the age of 95. ANSI offers its condolences to his family and friends and colleagues.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3740&source=whatsnew0923013)

[**Standards and Conformance Are Key Ingredients during National Food Safety Month**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3743&source=whatsnew093013)

ANSI applauds National Food Safety Month and the many organizations and programs that work to keep the food supply safe.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3743&source=whatsnew093013)

[**Did You Know?**](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3746&source=whatsnew093013)

*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: IEC, Purdue, Kavi, and PCI.

[more…](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3746&source=whatsnew093013)

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, September 24, 2013 – September 27, 2013](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/Standards%20_%20CA%20Notices/2013/09%2027%2013.pdf)

[National Cooperative Research and Production Act Notices from the U.S. Federal Register, September 4, 2013 – September 27, 2013](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Government%20Affairs/Federal%20Register%20Notices/NCRP%20Notices/2013/NCRPNotices%2009_27_13.pdf)

PUBLICATIONS

Take advantage of more great information…

[**Standards Action – September 27, 2013**](http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/Documents/Standards%20Action/2013_PDFs/SAV4439.pdf?&source=whatsnew093013)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==whatsnew093013)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==whatsnew093013)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=whatsnew093013)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=whatsnew093013)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=whatsnew093013)and[documents of interest](http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/other_documents/other_doc.aspx?menuid=7&source=whatsnew093013).

CALENDAR

Please check the [Events Section](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/online_calendar/events.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew093013) of ANSI Online regularly for updated and new event information.

[**World Standards Week (WSW) 2013**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/wsw13/wsw.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew093013)September 30–October 4, 2013
Washington, DC

[**ANSI Nuclear Energy Standards Coordination Collaborative (NESCC) Meeting**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2013/nescc_1113.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew093013)November 7, 2013
Washington, DC

[**ANSI Workshop: Smart and Sustainable Cities**](http://www.ansi.org/meetings_events/events/2013/Smart_Cities_Workshop.aspx?menuid=8&source=whatsnew093013)November 21, 2013
Washington, DC

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Please check the [Education and Training](http://www.ansi.org/education_trainings/overview.aspx?menuid=9?&source=whatsnew093013) page of ANSI Online regularly for listings of upcoming courses.

Visit[StandardsLearn.org](http://www.standardslearn.org/?&source=whatsnew093013), 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=whatsnew093013)

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=whatsnew093013) 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=whatsnew093013) of ANSI Online.

STORE

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Learn more about this issue’s featured package:

[**ASME B16.5/ASME B16.9/ASME B16.11 - Fittings Package**](http://webstore.ansi.org/RecordDetail.aspx?sku=ASME+B16.5%2fASME+B16.9%2fASME+B16.11+-+Fittings+Package)

ASME B16.5/ASME B16.9/ASME B16.11 - Fittings Package covers ratings, materials, dimensions, tolerances, marking, and testing for flanged fittings, forged fittings (socket-welding and threaded), pipe flanges, and butwelding fittings. The ASME B16.5/ASME B16.9/ASME B16.11 - Fittings Package is applicable to a range of various sizes and classes of fittings.

For information about the inventory of thousands of documents available from the [eStandards Store (eSS)](http://webstore.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew093013), please visit [webstore.ansi.org](http://webstore.ansi.org/?&source=whatsnew093013) or contact ANSI Customer Service (212.642.4980, storemanager@ansi.org).

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