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Attachments: ExSC_025_2021_ER TG Report from 2019.pdf; ExSC_017_2019_030921.pdf; ExSC_017B_

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Greetings -

We hope that you are well.

Thank you for submitting the attached public comments in response to proposed revisions to the ANSI Essential Requirements (www.ansi.org/essentialrequirements) announced in Standards Action in December 2019. Background on the original proposed revision is included in the attached report (ExSC_025_2021). The ExSC has considered all public comments and as a result, edited the original proposed revision, now attached here in its final edited form (ExSC_017). This edited version was approved by the ANSI ExSC in February 2021 and will be submitted to the Executive Committee of the ANSI Board of Directors for final approval in March 2021 for incorporation into the 2022 edition of the ANSI Essential Requirements.

Please also note that consistent with recommendations in the attached ExSC TG Report, ANSI has updated our website to provide easy access to information about the American National Standards (ANS) process and how to participate in it. Please visit the new ANS pages, including these: https://www.ansi.org/american-national-standards/info-for-the-general-public/general-public and https://www.ansi.org/american-national-standards/info-for-standards-developers/standards-developers.

Responses to your comments and suggestions are presented here by section:

• Footnote 3 – The ExSC notes that your objection is based on a misunderstanding of FN 3, which includes a "may" not a "shall". All ANSI-Accredited Standards Developers (ASDs) are not bound to use any specific interest classification scheme. Every ANSI-Accredited Standards Developer is charged with establishing the interest categories that are a function of the nature of the standards being developed. Regulators are not precluded from applying for voting membership on an American National Standard (ANS) consensus body because all directly and materially interested parties must be allowed to apply, per 1.1 Openness of the ANSI Essential Requirements (www.ansi.org/essentialrequirements). Please see the updated and final revision, attached.

Again, thank you for your interest and your comments.

Sincerely, Anne

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