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Subject: Response to public comments - Proposed revisions to the ANSI Essential Requirements - PLASTICS
Attachments: ExSC_025_2021_ER TG Report from 2019.pdf; ExSC_017_2019_030921.pdf; ExSC_017I_2019_PLASTICS.pdf

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/ans-introduction/overview#introduction> , <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> .

With respect to your comments on various usages of reasonable, promptly, expeditiously, the ExSC agreed to use "Timely and adequate notice" and "reasonable" is used throughout. Such terminology will always involve judgement, unless an ASD's procedures specify a time period, in which case that time period applies. The ExSC does not wish to prescribe every timeframe because ASDs' models differ. The "adequacy" of the notice is judged either against the ASD's procedural requirements or the ANS-related context, for example, ANSI's PINS Notice is 30 days, but other procedural requirements vary in terms of the number of days. This allows ASDs flexibility, within the context of preserving due process and promoting participation. Each ASD is welcome to assign specific timeframes to each requirement and submit the updates as part of their procedures to the ExSC for review and reaccreditation.

Again, thank you for your interest and your comments.

Sincerely,
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