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Attachments: ExSC_025_2021_ER TG Report from 2019.pdf; ExSC_017_2019_030921.pdf; ExSC_017G_

2019_AISC.pdf; ExSC_012_2021_balance_outreach.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/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 question concerning the meaning of "formation of a consensus body" in line 83 (updated ExSC_017), the intent is that an announcement should accompany the formation of every "new" consensus body. That said, outreach to achieve balance on new <u>and</u> existing consensus bodies is required under section 1.3. Please also refer to the attached Balance guidance document.

Again, thank you for your interest and your comments.

Sincerely, Anne

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