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Comment 1 related to Section 3.2 and 3.2.1:

The ANSI-approved AISC *Code of Standard Practice for Steel Buildings and Bridges* (ANSI/AISC 303-16) outlines trade practices, as well as technical and engineering requirements for the construction of steel buildings and bridges. Many of the items in this document become part of the contractual documents on a project. We are concerned based on the proposed language that the changes you are proposing will affect the ANSI approval of this document in the future, i.e., it will no longer be permitted to be an ANSI-approved standard. Will this be determined by the PIN we submitted already for the revision of the 2016 version? I am attaching the PIN submitted in April 2019 for your review as Attachment A.

Comment 2 related to Section 3.2.2

We propose the following revisions to the proposed Section 3.2.2.

3.2.2 Endorsement of Products or Services

~~ANS shall not endorse or~~ require the purchase or use of ~~, or endorse,~~ brand-name or proprietary products or service providers as a condition of implementing the standard. For example, an ANS may not ~~endorse or~~ require the purchase or use of ~~, or endorse,~~ brand-name tools or components, copyrighted user manuals, labels or licenses, manufacturing lists, or service provider lists.

However, for informational purposes, where known sources exist for products or services necessary to comply with the ANS, it is permissible, but not obligatory, to identify the name and address of the sources in a footnote, ~~or an appendix,~~ or reference to a website, ~~as long as~~ the referenced products or services ~~must be~~ reasonably available from the referenced sources, the words “or the equivalent” ~~must be~~ added to the reference, ~~except in the case of a proprietary product,~~ and a note ~~must be~~ added to such reference stating expressly that the identified sources are not presented as endorsements.

Comment 3 related to Section 3.2.2.

It is confusing that this section (3.2.2) uses the term, “proprietary products”, when “patents” are discussed in the section immediately preceding. Should Section 3.2.2 refer to “patented products” instead of “proprietary products”? If the latter is not the same as the former, a definition of a “proprietary product” should be added to this section.

ATTACHMENT A

Web PINS: Project Initiation Notification System

Dear ANSI-Accredited Standards Developer,
Cynthia Duncan

Thank you for your support of the American National Standards process.

We are in receipt of your AISC PINS for AISC 303. Your request will be processed in accordance with the [Standards Action Publication Schedule](#). Within two weeks of your submission, you will receive an acknowledgment email indicating the publication date of your request. Please retain a copy of this submittal receipt as well as the acknowledgment email as documentation subject to ANSI audit. If you fail to receive the acknowledgement email, or if you have any questions concerning your submission, please contact us at psa@ansi.org.

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Project Intent	Revise current ANS

ATTACHMENT A

Supersedes	ANSI/AISC 303-16
Abstract of Project	This Code sets forth criteria for the trade practices involved in the design, purchase, fabrication and erection of structural steel buildings, bridges, and other structures, where other structures are defined as those structures designed, fabricated, and erected in a manner similar to buildings with building-like vertical and lateral load resisting elements.
Unit of Measure	US & Metric
Project Need	This standard provides contractual requirements for steel buildings and is referenced by other AISC standards, as well as building codes.
Stakeholders	Building owners, including municipalities, state and federal governments; structural steel fabricators; contractors; architects; structural engineers of record