



ANSI Joint Member Forum

Engaging the ANSI Federation in Actions Resulting from the *Building Consumer Confidence* Conference

Thursday, October 18th, 2007
8:00 am – registration and breakfast
9:00 am – meeting begins

The Fairmont Washington Hotel
2401 M Street, NW
Washington, DC 20037

WHAT

An open forum to engage ANSI members in the development of actions to be taken by the standards and conformity assessment community following the recent *Building Consumer Confidence* conference.

WHY

Consumer goods are failing to meet our nation's rigorous health, safety and environmental standards. The U.S. standards and conformity assessment community is rallying to address this issue.

A number of short-term and long-term actions were identified during the recent ANSI-hosted *Building Consumer Confidence* conference. This meeting of the Joint Member Forum will engage members of the entire ANSI Federation in a continuing dialogue of how voluntary standards and compliance programs can be leveraged to renew consumer confidence in product safety. Some topics addressed during the joint session will be referred to the respective member forums for a more detailed discussion later in the day.

WHEN

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WHO

This event is open to all ANSI members.

If you plan on attending your respective forum meeting on Wednesday, October 17th, or Thursday, October 18th, please also plan on attending the Joint Member Forum.

WHERE

The Fairmont Washington Hotel
Washington, DC, USA

FORMAT

Presentations and Q&A

ORGANIZER AND HOST



Time	Discussion Topic	Moderator/Panelist
8:00 am	Registration Opens Continental Breakfast	
9:00 am	Welcome and Call to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Setting the Stage: Events and headlines leading up to the <i>Building Consumer Confidence</i> conference 	Scott Cooper Vice President, Government Relations American National Standards Institute
9:10 am	Case Study <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ How the toy industry is addressing issues of product safety (near-term and long-term actions) 	Representative of the Toy Industry Association (TIA)
9:20 am	Conference Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Highlights of the September 26, 2007 <i>Building Consumer Confidence</i> conference 	Jim Pauley Vice President, Industry and Government Relations, Square D and Vice Chair, ANSI Board of Directors
9:30 am	Open Discussion Engaging Members of the ANSI Federation in Developing an Action Plan to Implement Conference Outcomes Among the topics for discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ How do we educate the supply chain about the role voluntary standards and conformity assessment activities can play in enhancing consumer safety? ▪ How do we promote confidence in the U.S. standards and conformity assessment system? ▪ Identify follow-up actions that will be discussed further at the respective Member Forums 	Moderator Jim Pauley
10:15 am	Wrap-Up and Closing Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Report on ANSI's testimony to the October 1, 2007, Open Forum of the President's Import Safety Working Group ▪ Update on current government initiatives and call for ANSI member input on proposed legislation 	Scott Cooper
10:30 am	Adjournment	