From:

Leigh Maltby <

Sent:

Thursday, May 02, 2013 10:38 AM

To:

**Emily Bremer** 

Subject: Attachments: Re: Introductions

Leigh Maltby CV 2013 pdf Redacted (b) (b) Ex.

Dear Ms. Bremer,

Thank you for the primary source documents! The regulatory cooperation section was actually exactly what I was looking for!

Although my project is due on Monday, would you be to spare a few moments to meet with me for an informational interview after 15 May? International regulatory cooperation has developed into a passion of mine, and I would love the opportunity to be able to speak with you about career opportunities in the field, as well as how best to eventually continue my research in order to produce an useful product for stakeholders in the regulatory process.

I have attached my CV for your reference, and will be happy to forward my finished product to you. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me either by e-mail at or by phone at ... t.

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Thank you,

Leigh J. Maltby

On Wed, May 1, 2013 at 9:07 AM, Emily Bremer <ebremer@acus.gov> wrote:

Thank you for the introduction, Jeff!

Leigh, I'd be happy to help in whatever way I can. You might be interested in the materials associated with our projects on Incorporation by Reference (http://www.acus.gov/research-projects/incorporation-reference) and International Regulatory Cooperation (http://www.acus.gov/research-projects/international-regulatorycooperation). If I can help you locate any specific resources or answer any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at this email address or 202.480.2086.

All the best,

**Emily** 

From: Grove, Jeff [mailto:jgrove@astm.org]

Sent: Friday, April 26, 2013 5:07 PM

To: Emily Bremer

Cc: Leigh Maltby
Subject: Introductions

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Dear Emily,

Please allow me to introduce you to Leigh Maltby. Leigh is completing her undergraduate degree at American and recently interviewed me in regards to the capstone that she is writing on standards, regulatory convergence and trade. I suggested that Leigh review some of the work that has been published by ACUS. And I think she would benefit from meeting you due to your tremendous knowledge and insight.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jeff Grove

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments:	Scott Cooper <scooper@ansi.org> Wednesday, November 21, 2012 10:06 AM Emily Bremer; James R. Schufreider Matt Wiener RE: Lunch today Draft Agenda -FINAL.doc; EnforceableCodesAgenda.pdf.pdf</scooper@ansi.org>
Thanks Emily,	
It is always fun to view from back pocket	upwind, someone else's kerfuffle. What I hate, is when someone drops a kerfuffle in my own
Thanks to all for a really nic	e lunch yesterday!
As promised –back at you– on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> panel), and the F	-here is the draft agenda for the CEA-ANSI Dec 11 <sup>th</sup> event (Mary Saunders has agreed to be TC Nov 29 <sup>th</sup> event on global supply chains & 3 <sup>rd</sup> party
Please follow this link to <a href="http://standardsworkshop">http://standardsworkshop</a>	see the registration page for the December 11 workshopeventbrite.com
Best	
Scott	
From: Emily Bremer [mailto Sent: Tuesday, November To: Scott Cooper; James R. Cc: Matt Wiener Subject: RE: Lunch today	20, 2012 2:33 PM
Scott and Jim,	

As promised, here are some of the materials we discussed at lunch:

1. Third-Party Programs to Assess Regulatory Compliance. The Conference will be debating and voting on a proposed recommendation coming out of this project at the upcoming Plenary, scheduled for December 6-7. The proposed recommendation and the underlying research report are available here: <a href="http://www.acus.gov/events/57th-plenary-session/">http://www.acus.gov/events/57th-plenary-session/</a> (see the second item under "Recommendations"). Further information about the Conference's project on this, including previous versions of the recommendation and report, is available here: <a href="http://www.acus.gov/research/the-conference-current-projects/third-party-certification/">http://www.acus.gov/research/the-conference-current-projects/third-party-certification/</a>.

2. Republican Study Committee Copyright Memo. The memo that caused the kerfuffle I told you about is available here: <a href="http://www.scribd.com/doc/113633834/Republican-Study-Committee-Intellectual-Property-Brief">http://www.scribd.com/doc/113633834/Republican-Study-Committee-Intellectual-Property-Brief</a>. In addition, the story has been picked up by the media—one discussion is available on Slate here: <a href="http://www.slate.com/articles/business/moneybox/2012/11/rsc\_copyright\_reform\_memo\_derek\_khanna\_tries\_to\_get\_republican\_study\_committee.html">http://www.slate.com/articles/business/moneybox/2012/11/rsc\_copyright\_reform\_memo\_derek\_khanna\_tries\_to\_get\_republican\_study\_committee.html</a>.

Thanks again for lunch, Scott. And Jim, it was a pleasure to meet you. We look forward to working with you both on the Hill event and, hopefully, other projects down the road.

All the best,

**Emily** 

P.s. Our acus gov email is working again, as you can see.

From: Scott Cooper [mailto:SCooper@ansi.org]
Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2012 8:36 AM

To: James R. Schufreider;

Cc: Matt Wiener; Emily Bremer

Subject: RE: Lunch today

Excellent! I will make reservations for four for noon.

Looking forward

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## Scott

From: Schufreider, James R. [mailto:jim.schufreider@nist.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2012 8:31 AM
To: 'emilysbremer@gmail.com'; Scott Cooper
Cc: 'mwiener@acus.gov'; 'ebremer@acus.gov'

Subject: Re: Lunch today

I'm good with that.
Jim Schufreider
Director, Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs
National Institute of Standards and Technology
301-975-5675 (Direct)
301-922-1366 (Bberry)
202-320-3272 (Cell)

From: Emily Bremer [mailto:

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Sent: Tuesday, November 20, 2012 08:23 AM

To: Scott Cooper < SCooper@ansi.org>

Cc: Schufreider, James R.; <a href="mailto:mwiener@acus.gov">mwiener@acus.gov</a>; Emily Bremer <a href="mailto:ebremer@acus.gov">ebremer@acus.gov</a>

Subject: Re: Lunch today

Scott,

Sounds good to me, unless Jim objects. Matt is going to join us, too, I believe.

Thanks for emailing me at this address--we're having server problems again today at work. You must be psychic!

Best,

**Emily** 

On Tue, Nov 20, 2012 at 8:18 AM, Scott Cooper < SCooper@ansi.org > wrote:

Dear Emily and Jim,

I can't remember if we had decided on a place for lunch today. I don't have one down (and didn't make one).

Therefore, (be it resolved), I would suggest Trattu –Italian—at 1823 Jefferson Place (block above M st between 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>).

Quiet, continental, friendly. If this is OK I will make reservations. For noon?

Scott

Emily S. Bremer

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#### **Consumer Electronics Association**

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# Addressing National Priorities Through Standards

In 2010 the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy concluded that it was "more important than ever" for Federal agencies to work in a more responsive and timely fashion with the private sector to ensure meaningful standards are developed and put into practice to meet urgent national needs. As a result, the Federal government established an interagency group to provide high-level leadership encouraging Federal agencies to strategically focus, and actively engaged, on critical standards-related issues.

Millions of products and services rely on industry standards, including standards related to public policy goals such as energy efficiency, accessibility, and product safety. For decades, the private sector has committed significant funding and countless hours of their experts' time in developing the comprehensive, detailed and evolving network of standards in use today.

The National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 directs the Federal government to adopt private sector standards wherever possible, in lieu of creating proprietary, non-consensus standards. This workshop will explore the use of private sector standards by agencies. Industry and government leaders will discuss the opportunities and challenges associated with identifying - and then referencing - private sector standards in Federal regulations. Industry case studies highlighting the Federal use of private sector standards will be reviewed. Mechanisms to improve the private sector standards developer's responsiveness to the needs of Federal regulators and agencies will also be explored. The workshop is part of the ongoing exploration of the government's participation in standards development, including whether and how the Office of Management and Budget should consider supplementing OMB Circular A-119 to improve industry/government collaboration.

Date:

Tuesday, December 11, 2012, 9:00 AM - 2:45 PM

Location:

CEA Grand Conference Room

1919 South Eads Street

Arlington, VA

Schedule:



9:00 – 9:30 AM Onsite Registration and Badge Pickup

9:30 – 9:45 AM Opening Keynote: Joe Bhatia, President and CEO, ANSI

9:45 – 10.45 AM Panel 1 – Success Is Possible

The need for cooperation in standards development has never been greater. Coordinated standards development, aligned with government priorities when necessary, is critical to a healthy economy. Successful standards-setting fosters innovation by enabling new products to come to market quickly and encouraging interoperability with existing devices. More, industry standards can be used effectively to address public policy initiatives. This panel will explore past and present successful cooperation in standards-setting. How can these positive examples offer guidance for future collaboration?

Moderator: XXXXX

Panelists: XXXXX

10:45 - 11:00 AM Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:00 PM Panel 2 – Challenges To Overcome

The Federal government is the single largest consumer of goods and services within the US. As such, the government benefits greatly from a standards-setting environment that fosters cooperation between itself and industry. This panel will discuss the barriers to government participation in industry standards-setting and adoption of the results. What are the current communication paths between government agencies and industry, should they evolve, and if so, how? How can greater participation in the private sector standards-setting process encourage the use of those standards in regulations?

Moderator: XXXXX

Panelists: XXXXX

12:00 - 1:00 PM Lunch

1:00 – 1:15 PM Afternoon Keynote: Gary Shapiro, President and CEO, CEA

1:15 - 2:15 PM

# Panel 3 – Towards Greater Government and Industry Cooperation

OMB is studying responses to its Request for Information regarding whether and how to supplement OMB Circular A-119, "Federal Participation in the Development and Use of Voluntary Consensus Standards and in Conformity Assessment Activities." This panel will discuss some of the questions raised in the RFI. What factors should government agencies take into consideration when determining that the use of industry standards is practical for regulatory purposes? How can the regulatory process be structured to ensure industry standards are written or modified in time to be considered for reference in a regulation? What are some of the future opportunities for industry/government cooperation in standards-setting?

Moderator: XXXXX

Panelists: XXXXX

2:15 - 2:30 PM (

Closing Remarks

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# AGENDA November 29, 2012

Fueled by the Internet and global trade, transactions between businesses and consumers increasingly cross national boundaries. Governments, international organizations, business interests, civil society groups, standards organizations, and self-regulatory bodies are turning to cross-border codes of conduct to supplement traditional legal regimes. Some or all of the following elements characterize these code-based systems: multi-stakeholder engagement, consensus-based rulemaking and decisions, accessibility, non-exclusiveness, standards, impartiality, transparency, capacity building, efficiency, accountability, consistency, enforceability, government oversight, and periodic re-evaluation. This forum will examine these systems in a variety of cross-border contexts, focusing on the legal and policy implications for the global consumer.

# 8:30 Registration

## 9:00 Introductory Remarks

Commissioner Edith Ramirez Federal Trade Commission

## 9:10 **Panel**

## The Rise of Cross-Border Codes of Conduct

Why have cross-border codes of conduct arisen? How do they fit with more traditional approaches to regulation? What are the core elements of effective and legitimate cross-border codes? What can we learn from systems that have some, but not all, of the elements mentioned above?

## MODERATOR:

## **Stacy Feuer**

Assistant Director for International Consumer Protection Federal Trade Commission

#### **PANELISTS:**

**Sungjoon Cho**Professor
Chicago-Kent College of Law

Joseph N. Mariano
President
Direct Selling Association

**Robin Simpson** Senior Policy Adviser Consumers International David C. Vladeck

Director
Bureau of Consumer Protection
Federal Trade Commission

**David Zaring**Assistant Professor
University of Pennsylvania

# 10:25 Speaker

## Antitrust Implications of Cross-Border Codes

How might cross-border code systems dampen innovation or create barriers to entry? How can stakeholders mitigate these problems at the design and implementation phases? How does the crossborder context affect competition concerns?

#### William E. Kovacic

Professor George Washington University Law School Former Chairman Federal Trade Commission

## 10:45 **Break**

## 11:00 Case Study

## APEC's Cross-Border Privacy Rules (CBPR) System

The APEC CPBR is a new, multi-layered system built on an enforceable privacy code of conduct. Participating businesses submit their corporate privacy policies and practices for review and certification by third parties, and are subject to ongoing compliance monitoring and supervision as well as government enforcement. How does APEC's CBPR system protect consumers' personal information in cross-border data flows? What roles do the major stakeholders - industry, civil society, government, and consumers - play at each stage?

## MODERATOR:

#### Markus Heyder

Counsel for International Consumer Protection Federal Trade Commission

#### PANELISTS:

## Paula J. Bruening

Vice President Global Policy Centre for Information Policy Leadership **Hunton & Williams LLP** 

### **Daniele Chatelois**

Chair APEC Data Privacy Subgroup Senior Policy Advisor Digital Policy Branch **Industry Canada** 

### Joshua Harris

Vice Chair APEC Data Privacy Subgroup Chair APEC's CBPR Joint Oversight Panel Associate Director Office of Technology and E-Commerce U.S. Department of Commerce

#### Frances J. Henderson

National Director **Privacy Initiatives** Council of Better Business Bureaus

### Melissa Higuera Pérez

Federal Institute of Access to Public Information and Data Protection of Mexico

## Saira Nayak

Director of Policy TRUSTe

#### **Scott Taylor**

Chief Privacy Officer Hewlett-Packard Co.

## 12:15 Lunch

# 1:30 Case Study

## **OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises (MNE)**

The OECD MNE Guidelines provide guidance for corporations on responsible business in several areas, including human rights, employment, the environment, competition, and consumer interest. Observance of the Guidelines by businesses is voluntary and legally unenforceable; however, there are governmental National Contact Points (NCPs) that address complaints and encourage compliance. What types of consumer issues have the NCPs addressed? How does the non-binding nature of the Guidelines impact the ability of interested parties to settle their issues? What lessons are there from other multi-stakeholder initiatives on corporate social responsibility?

#### MODERATOR:

## **Peter Avery**

Secretariat

**OECD Committee on Consumer Policy** 

### **PANELISTS:**

## Clifford Henry

Member

Stakeholder Advisory Board to the U.S. NCP

Associate Director

Corporate Sustainable Development

Proctor & Gamble

## Jonathan Kaufman

Member

Stakeholder Advisory Board to the U.S. NCP

Staff Attorney

EarthRights International

#### Thea Mei Lee

Vice Chairwoman

U.S. State Department Advisory Committee on

International Economic Policy

Deputy Chief of Staff

**AFL-CIO** 

### Gwenann Manseau

Senior Attorney

Office of the Chief Counsel for International

Commerce

U.S. Department of Commerce

#### Alan K. Yu

U.S. NCP for the OECD Guidelines

Office of Economic Policy Analysis and Public

Diplomacy: Corporate Social Responsibility Unit

U.S. Department of State



# 2:45 Case Study

## **Toy Safety and Food Safety**

U.S. agencies increasingly use a mixture of enforcement and policy tools to achieve their consumer protection objectives in areas that involve global supply chains, such as food and product safety. To what extent do the Consumer Products Safety Improvement Act (CPSIA) (2008) and the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) (2011) sanction the use of third-party standards and codes to certify compliance with U.S. consumer safety laws? What criteria should the CPSC and the FDA use to recognize bodies that accredit third-party auditors and laboratories that certify compliance with U.S. law? What lessons are there for other areas of consumer protection?

### **MODERATOR:**

## **Scott Cooper**

Vice President
Government Relations and Public Policy
American National Standards Institute

## **PANELISTS:**

## **Charlotte Christin**

Senior Policy Advisor
Office of Policy
U.S. Food and Drug Administration

## **Caroline Smith DeWaal**

Food Safety Director
Center for Science in the Public Interest

#### Alan P. Kaufman

Senior Vice President
Technical Affairs
Toy Industry Association, Inc.

#### Richard W. O'Brien

Director
Office of Int'l Programs and
Intergovernmental Affairs
U.S. Consumer Products Safety Commission

## Joseph A. Scimeca, PhD

Vice President
Global Regulatory and Scientific Affairs
Corporate Food Safety and Regulatory Affairs
Cargill, Inc.

## 4:00 Break

## 4:15 **Panel**

## **Best Practices and Metrics**

Which of the elements discussed in the forum determine the legitimacy and effectiveness of cross-border codes of conduct? Are certain indicators more important than others? What role does enforceability play? Is there a systematic way to measure and compare code-based systems? What are the core best practices?

## MODERATOR:

Keith Fentonmiller
Senior Attorney
Division of Advertising Practices
Federal Trade Commission

#### **PANELISTS:**

Anne Meuwese

Professor

Tilburg University Law School

Sheila A. Millar
Vice-Chair
Commission on Marketing and Advertising
International Chamber of Commerce
Partner
Keller and Heckman

C. Lee Peeler

President and CEO

National Advertising Review Council

Executive Vice President

National Advertising Self-Regulation

Council of Better Business Bureaus

**Robin Simpson**Senior Policy Adviser
Consumers International

Norma Tregurtha Senior Policy Manager ISEAL Alliance

# 5:30 Closing Remarks

This Forum Is Presented in Conjunction with the 2012 Biennial Meeting of the American Society of International Law International Economic Law Interest Group

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# Federal Trade Commission | November 29, 2012

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From: Sent: To: Subject:	Emily Bremer <emilysbremer@gmail.com> Tuesday, November 20, 2012 7:15 AM Emily Bremer Fwd: FW: Planning for a Hill event on standards and public-private partnerships.</emilysbremer@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Nov 7, 201	ning for a Hill event on standards and public-private partnerships.
	r, our executive director, is going to join us, too. Congressional relations are ry responsibility, so it will be very helpful to have him at the table.
	s back to accepting external emails, though there may still be some hiccups over the next
	t 4:58 PM, Scott Cooper < SCooper@ansi.org > wrote:  e 20 <sup>th</sup> . I will find a nice quiet spot for us to conspire discuss and develop
To: Scott Cooper	[mailto, (b) (6) Ex- ember 06, 2012 2:28 PM anning for a Hill event on standards and public-private partnerships.
Lunch on Tuesday the	20th works for me!
Thanks,	
Emily	

On Tue, Nov 6, 2012 at 1:55 PM, Scott Cooper < SCooper@ansi.org > wrote:

## Scott Cooper

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American National Standards Institute

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scooper@ansi.org

From: Scott Cooper

**Sent:** Tuesday, November 06, 2012 1:54 PM **To:** James R. Schufreider; Emily Bremer

Subject: RE: Planning for a Hill event on standards and public-private partnerships.

Thanks Jim,

I believe Emily may be out early next week, so how about lunch together on Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup>?

Best

Scott

From: Schufreider, James R. [mailto:jim.schufreider@nist.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, November 06, 2012 1:48 PM

To: Scott Cooper; Emily Bremer

Subject: RE: Planning for a Hill event on standards and public-private partnerships.

Tuesdays I usually have a 10:30 mtg at Commerce. So before or after that would be great.

From: Scott Cooper [mailto:SCooper@ansi.org]

Sent: Tuesday, November 06, 2012 11:17 AM

To: Emily Bremer; Schufreider, James R.

Subject: Planning for a Hill event on standards and public-private partnerships.

Dear Emily & Jim,

Since every other politico will pivot instantaneously at midnight tonight from stressing over the election, to stressing over the new Congress, I wanted to reach out to you-two early, before All Is Revealed to suggest a gettogether.

In the past we have organized Hill events around a "Standards 101" theme, and had pretty good attendance. I think that is probably still part of any event (a rebuttable presumption), but other issues like IBR, public-private partnerships, stewardship obligations, etc also need to be in the mix. I think. (I hope you-two have some less-obvious ideas.)

Since you have to commute from Gaithersburg Jim, are there any dates in the near future that work for you? I am thinking lunch or coffee downtown. I'm glad it can be the three of us to plan this. Looking forward to getting together.

Best

Scott

## Experts Discuss Incorporation by Reference at the ANSI Legal Issues Forum

New York, November 5, 2012: On October 10, 2012, nearly 100 legal experts, government officials, and members of the standards and conformity assessment community came together for the 2012 Legal Issues Forum: *Incorporation by Reference, Reasonable Availability, and Copyright* to examine issues related to the incorporation of standards into U.S. laws and regulations. The forum was held by the <u>American National Standards Institute</u> (ANSI) as part of the 2012 World Standards Week (WSW) series of events.

"The incorporation by reference of privately developed standards into law has attracted increasing attention in recent years," said Patricia Griffin, ANSI vice president and general counsel. "Participants in the Legal Issues Forum addressed the various issues at play and highlighted the challenges and opportunities of incorporation by reference, while also examining a number of possible options that hold the potential to address related issues without undermining a system that has worked so well for so long."

In his keynote address to the forum, John Cooney, a partner at Venable LLP, argued that a growing expectation among the public that government information should be available for free on the Internet had complicated the traditional use of incorporation by reference. Mr. Cooney described the issue as a "wicked question," noting both the belief that individuals should not be required to pay for access to portions of the laws they live under and the important role that the sale of standards plays in funding the work of many standards developing organizations (SDOs).

Emily Bremer, the attorney advisor to the Administrative Conference of the United States (ACUS), moderated an interactive panel discussion on the issue featuring eight expert speakers:

- Michael Goldenberg, Senior Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- Rae McQuade, President and COO, North American Energy Standards Board
- Thomas O'Brien, Vice President and General Counsel, ASTM International
- Esa Sferra-Bonistalli, Senior Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard
- · Clark Silcox, General Counsel, NEMA
- · Peter Strauss, Professor, Columbia Law School
- Vanessa Allen Sutherland, Chief Counsel, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), U.S. Department of Transportation
- Rachel Weintraub, Director of Product Safety and Senior Counsel, Consumer Federation of America

Panelists discussed a range of recent activities, including the proposed revision of the Office of Management and Budget's <u>Circular A-119</u>, "Federal Participation in the Development and Use of Voluntary Consensus Standards and in Conformity Assessment Activities;" a petition filed by Professor Strauss with the Federal Register arguing that current use of incorporation by reference failed to provide reasonable availability; and recent legislation requiring PHMSA to make privately developed standards available for free, among other related topics.

During the discussion, Ms. Sferra-Bonistalli and Ms. Allen Sutherland discussed the U.S. government's reliance on incorporation by reference and expressed skepticism that the expert work currently done by independent SDOs could be easily replicated by the government. Mr. Silcox noted that many regulations incorporated only a small part of a standard and suggested that agencies ask SDOs in those cases to make the relevant portion publicly available. Mr. O'Brien told the group that even if the government could find the funds to pay for independent standards development, some SDOs may be reluctant to become involved in such a system, due to concerns that it would complicate their relationships with other countries and organizations. Ms. Weintraub raised concerns about the lack of participation in standards development by consumer advocates and other non-technical experts, an issue she linked to the financial costs of taking part.

Ms. McQuade and Mr. Goldenberg noted that the North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB) developed standards at the request of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), which approved its budget, and discussed NAESB's decision make read-only copies of its standards available online.

Professor Strauss recommended several potential solutions to the "wicked question," including pricing only the most recent version of a standard, offering read-only access to incorporated standards, and encouraging government agencies to list multiple standards that would satisfy regulatory requirements.

S. Joe Bhatia, ANSI CEO and president, closed the discussion with remarks that highlighted the importance of reaching an effective compromise.

"As coordinator of the U.S. standardization system, ANSI is working with the SDO community to explore the possibility of hosting a website focused on standards that have been incorporated by reference," said Mr. Bhatia.

For more information about the Legal Issues Forum, please visit the <u>event page</u>; a photo slideshow from the forum is <u>available</u> here.

## About ANSI

The <u>American National Standards Institute</u> (ANSI) is a private non-profit organization whose mission is to enhance U.S. global competitiveness and the American quality of life by promoting, facilitating, and safeguarding the integrity of the voluntary standardization and conformity assessment system. Its membership is comprised of businesses, professional societies and trade associations, standards developers, government agencies, and consumer and labor organizations. The Institute represents the diverse interests of more than 125,000 companies and organizations and 3.5 million professionals worldwide.

The Institute is the official U.S. representative to the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and, via the U.S. National Committee, the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), and is a U.S. representative to the International Accreditation Forum (IAF).

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Emily S. Bremer

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From:

Elizabeth Neiman <eneiman@ansi.org>

Sent:

Monday, November 05, 2012 12:16 PM

To:

John F. Cooney; Emily Bremer; Michael Goldenberg; Rae McQuade; Clark Silcox; Peter L. Strauss; Esa L. Sferra-Bonistalli; Esa L. Sferra-Bonistalli; Thomas B. O'Brien, Jr.; Rachel

Weintraub: Vanessa Allen Sutherland

Cc:

Patricia Griffin; Scott Cooper; Joe Bhatia; Fran Schrotter

Subject:

ANSI Legal Issues Forum

To:

Speakers at ANSI's Legal Issues Forum

Dear colleagues:

Thank you once again for your terrific participation in the Legal Issues Forum held during World Standards Week. I wanted to share with you our summary press release, which was released today after being delayed by Hurricane Sandy:

http://www.ansi.org/news\_publications/news\_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=3412#.UJfzG2c0N8E

You may also be interested in our photo slideshow, which is available here:

http://www.flickr.com/photos/ansidotorg/sets/72157631784556414/with/8093792669/

Thank you for your many contributions to the success of the Forum. I look forward to working with you again in the future.

Best regards,

Liz

Liz Neiman **Director of Communications and Public Relations** American National Standards Institute 25 West 43rd Street, Fourth Floor New York, NY 10036

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From: Sent:

Elizabeth Neiman <eneiman@ansi.org> Monday, October 01, 2012 11:59 AM

To:

Peter L. Strauss

Cc:

**Emily Bremer** 

Subject:

RE: ANSI Legal Issues Forum - attendees and panelist questions

Thanks very much, Peter. Indeed, the loss of titles is a function of the merge from our registration system. I'll make sure to get the titles in.

Thanks!

Liz

From: Peter Strauss [mailto:strauss@law.columbia.edu]

Sent: Monday, October 01, 2012 11:58 AM

To: Elizabeth Neiman Cc: Emily Bremer

Subject: Re: ANSI Legal Issues Forum - attendees and panelist questions

Thanks for these, Liz.

I notice that on the attendees sheet you have not listed some positions, many of which I am sure you know -- mine, Emily's, etc. Probably it's the result of some automatic merge operation, but if this list is to be distributed I wonder if you would not want to fill in as many blanks as you can.

If you do do this, my title is Betts Professor of Law, and it is at Columbia Law School (which of course IS an element of Columbia University).

If it's not too late, here's another general question I would be happy to hear asked:

ANSI's business model is, understandably, built around the important market for voluntary consensus standards, not the market for law. If a VCS is changed but an earlier version remains incorporated in a regulation, isn't any charge for that earlier version a departure from the model and just a charge for law? How can one defend the practice of continuing to charge those who must obey it for access to a formulation that now is ONLY law, and no longer the prevailing voluntary consensus standard?

Peter

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"Elizabeth Neiman" --- 10/01/2012 11:16:47 AM--- To: October 10

Moderator and panelists for ANSI's Legal Issues Forum on

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**Legal Issues Forum 2012:** Incorporation by Reference, Reasonable Availability, and Copyright

Wednesday, October 10, 2012 | 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Newseum**, 555 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington DC (Please use Freedom Forum Entrance on 6th Street) 703.416.1600

9:00 –9:05 am	Welcoming Remarks
	Joe Bhatia, President and CEO, American National Standards Institute (ANSI)
9:05 – 9:35 am	Keynote Address The Public-Private Partnership: Government Reliance on Voluntary Consensus Standards
	20 minutes followed by a 10-minute interactive Q&A session
*3	John Cooney, Partner, Venable LLP
9:35 – 12:55 pm	Discussion Incorporation by Reference, Reasonable Availability, and Copyright
	A moderated discussion on issues surrounding the incorporation by reference of voluntary consensus standards into government regulation. Topics will include reasonable availability, copyright concerns, and more.
	Interactive roundtable discussion – no presentations. A coffee break will be called by the moderator at a suitable time.
	Introduction  Patricia Griffin, Vice President and General Counsel, ANSI
	Moderator  Emily Bremer, Attorney Advisor, Administrative Conference of the United States
	Panelists  Michael Goldenberg, Senior Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Rae McQuade, President and COO, North American Energy Standards Board Thomas O'Brien, Vice President and General Counsel, ASTM International Esa Sferra-Bonistalli, Senior Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard

	<ul> <li>Clark Silcox, General Counsel, NEMA</li> <li>Peter Strauss, Professor, Columbia Law School</li> <li>Vanessa Allen Sutherland, Chief Counsel, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation</li> <li>Rachel Weintraub, Director of Product Safety and Senior Counsel, Consumer Federation of America</li> </ul>
12:55 – 1:00 pm	Conference Wrap-up / Closing Remarks  Overall response to Forum  Joe Bhatia, ANSI

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## **ANSI Legal Issues Forum 2012**

## **Moderated Discussion Questions**

### **General Questions for All Panelists**

- What kinds of things do SDOs already do to make their standards available? Is this enough?
- Why don't SDOs just change their business model? Companies are forced to do that all the time and they survive. Just look at the music industry.
- If standards and codes were given away for free, what would the impact really be on the U.S. standardization system? Wouldn't everyone just adapt?
- What if the U.S. government just develops its own standards? This doesn't seem to be an issue in other countries.
- What if the government pays SDOs for all standards that it incorporates by reference?
- Why is protecting intellectual property in standards so important? Is it just about the money?
- How does your organization define reasonable availability?
- How should agencies and regulated parties handle secondary and tertiary references to standards?
- Standards developed by international organizations like ISO and IEC have also been incorporated by reference. Is it reasonable to expect these organizations to make their standards available when they are not under the U.S. government's jurisdiction?
- The cost of a standard is one aspect of reasonable availability. But what about the cost of participation in standards development? Should participation also be "reasonably available?" ANSI's Essential Requirements state that there should be "no undue financial barriers to participation" but how is undue defined? And how is this issue handled by SDOs that are not accredited by ANSI?

## **Targeted Questions**

## For Michael Goldenberg, FERC

- How many standards has FERC incorporated by reference into regulation?
- Has FERC considered developing its own standards instead of relying on the private sector? What was the result of that analysis?
- What would happen if FERC had to pay SDOs to develop standards so they could be made freely available?

• What can government agencies do to make sure that the most current versions of standards are incorporated by reference?

## For Rae McQuade, NAESB

- Your organization's response to the Federal Register petition was very detailed in outlining exactly how NAESB makes its documents available for review. Could you please share that information with the audience?
- Is versioning an issue when NAESB standards are incorporated by reference? (For example, a 2003 version is referenced when a newer version exists.) How do you handle this?
- Does NAESB make incorporated standards available today, in some form (read-only, etc.)? If NAESB was required to make all of its incorporated standards available for <u>free</u>, what would happen?
- Do you often receive requests for information on incorporated standards? How do you handle these requests?

## For Tom O'Brien, ASTM International

- ASTM International does a lot of work with small and medium-sized enterprises. Do you have any special programs in place for these groups to enhance their access?
- Is versioning an issue when ASTM's standards are incorporated by reference? (For example, a 2003 version is referenced when a newer version exists.) How do you handle this?
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## For Esa Sferra-Bonistalli, USCG [pronounce: EE-sah sph-EHRA bon-is-TALL-ee]

- The Coast Guard has developed a well-regarded approach to the incorporation of standards. How many standards has the Coast Guard incorporated by reference into regulation?
- Has the Coast Guard considered developing its own standards instead of relying on the private sector? What was the result of that analysis?
- What would happen if the Coast Guard had to pay SDOs to make incorporated standards freely available?
- What can government agencies do to make sure that the most current versions of standards are incorporated by reference?

### For Clark Silcox, NEMA

- When a NEMA standard is incorporated by reference, does the regulation typically make reference to the full standard or just a portion of it?
- Is versioning an issue when NEMA standards are incorporated? (For example, a 2003 version is referenced when a newer version exists.) How do you handle this?
- Does NEMA make incorporated standards available today in some form (read-only, etc.)? If NEMA was required to make all of its incorporated standards available for <u>free</u>, what would happen?
- Do you often receive requests for information on incorporated standards? How do you handle these requests?

### For Peter Strauss, Columbia Law School

- You coordinated the Federal Register petition, which included some discussion about the criteria for reasonable availability. Can you please elaborate on your views?
- In its comments on the Federal Register petition, the American Bar Association's Section on Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice suggested that it would be sufficient for incorporated standards to be available in "read-only" format, and acknowledged that some SDOs already do this. I understand that you were involved in preparing these comments. Your petition to the Federal Register seems to take a similar position, urging that documents must be "electronically accessed for reading without cost." Others have taken a different approach, arguing that standards are the law and should be available for free without the limitations of a "read-only" format. Can you please explore this distinction?

### For Vanessa Allen Sutherland, PHMSA, DOT

- In July, PHMSA hosted a workshop on incorporation by reference that focused on the implementation of section 24 of the Pipeline Safety Bill. In your view, what were some of the key takeaways from the discussion at the workshop?
- How many standards has PHMSA incorporated by reference into regulation?
- Has PHMSA or the Department of Transportation considered developing its own standards instead of relying on the private sector? What was the result of that analysis?
- What would happen if PHMSA had to pay SDOs to develop standards so they could be made freely available?
- What can government agencies do to make sure that the most current versions of standards are incorporated by reference?

### For Rachel Weintraub, Consumer Federation of America

- In response to the Office of Management and Budget's request for information on Circular A-119, your organization stated that citizens should have "unfettered access" to standards that have been incorporated by reference into U.S. law. How do you define "unfettered?"
- Consumer groups contribute to standards development though involvement in individual standards creation efforts and through international efforts such as ISO's Committee on Consumer Policy. Given time and resource constraints, do you have any suggestions for how consumer groups and SDOs can most effectively work together in standards development activities?

# 2012 ANSI Legal Issues Forum Registered Attendees as of 10/1/2012

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Microsoft	Director	Hughes	Jim
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### [Translation]

Ruling 22 June 2012 First Chamber 11/01017 RM/MD

Supreme Court of the Netherlands

Judgment

in the case of:

KNOOBLE B.V., established at Arnhem, CLAIMANT in cassation, attorney: M.E. Gelpke LL.M. <sup>1</sup>

versus

1. THE STATE OF THE NETHERLANDS (Ministry of Infrastructure and the Environment), headquartered at The Hague, RESPONDENT in cassation, attorneys: M.W. Scheltema LL.M. and S.M. Kingma LL.M., 2. STICHTING NEDERLANDS NORMALISATIE-INSTITUUT, established at The Hague<sup>2</sup>, RESPONDENT in cassation, attorney: originally R.A.A. Duk LL.M., currently P.A. Ruig LL.M.<sup>3</sup>

Parties will also be referred to as 'Knooble', 'the State' and 'NNI'.

1. The case on its merits

For the course of the case on its merits the Supreme Court refers to the following documents:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This is an error in the judgment and should be "Delft"

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- a. the judgment in the case 274010/HA ZA 06-3308 of The Hague District Court of 31 December 2008;
- b. the judgments in the case 200.029.693/01 and 200.031.136/01 of The Hague Appeals Court of 9 June 2009 and 16 November 2010.

The judgments of the Appeals Court of 16 November 2010 is appended to this judgment.

### 2. The case in cassation

Against the judgment of the Appeals Court of 16 November 2010 Knooble lodged an appeal in cassation. The notice of appeal in cassation is appended to this judgment and forms part of it.

The State and NNI have independently filed for rejection of the appeal.

The attorneys of Knooble and the State explained the case to the Court both orally and in writing.

On behalf of NNI V. Rörsch LL.M., attorney at Amsterdam, explained the case to the Court both orally and in writing.

The conclusion of the Advocate General F.F. Langemeijer is that the appeal must be dismissed.

In letters of 13 April 2012 Gelpke LL.M. attorney on behalf of Knooble and V. Rörsch LL.M. attorney at Amsterdam on behalf of NNI have responded to said conclusion.

### 3. Assessment of the arguments

- 3.1 In cassation the following may be taken as given:
- (i) Knooble is involved with giving advice about and conducting supervision of building projects. Through its website it provides data useful for preparing and carrying out building projects.
- (ii) De Stichting Nederlands Normalisatie-Instituut (hereinafter: NNI) [= The Netherlands Standardization Institute (NEN)] has as its goal the realisation of standards, establishing and maintaining standards and promoting the introduction of standards. In doings so it describes standardization as the process whereby rules become established voluntarily through agreement between interested parties.
- (iii) The standards that come about in the context of NNI are referred to as "NEN standards". They are available for inspection at NNI's offices. NNI provides the NEN standards in exchange for payment without prejudice to copyright.
- (iv) Article 2 of the *Woningwet* [= 1992 Housing Act] stipulates that building regulations can be given by or pursuant to governmental decree. Under Article 3 of the *Woningwet* reference may be made to (parts of) standards. In this connection pursuant to Article 1 paragraph 1, preamble and under 'h' (till 1 October 2010: under 'i') *Woningwet* understood under "standard": a document, issued by an expert, independent institute,

which describes what criteria a building material, building part or building construction must meet or in which a description is given of a method of testing, measuring or calculating.

- (v) In the Bouwbesluit [= Buildings Decree] 2003 (that meanwhile has been replaced by the Bouwbesluit 2012, and that hereinafter for the sake of brevity will be referred to as the Bouwbesluit) and the Regeling Bouwbesluit [= Building Regulations] 2003 based on it (that meanwhile has been replaced by the Regeling Bouwbesluit 2012, and that hereinafter for the sake of brevity will be referred to as the Regeling Bouwbesluit) in many places refer to the NEN standards, often though not exclusively to establish the method by which is to be decided whether instructions contained in the Bouwbesluit/Regeling Bouwbesluit have been carried out.
- (vi) The State did not publish the NEN standards referred to in the *Bouwbesluit* or in the *Regeling Bouwbesluit* in the *Staatsblad* [= the Bulletin of Acts and Decrees], the *Staatscourant* [= the Government Gazette], or in any other place, standard.
- 3.2 Knooble has taken the State and NNI to Court and, after a change of claim on appeal briefly restated here, has claimed the following:
- 1. that it should be stated in Court,
- primarily that the NEN standards to which reference is made in the Bouwbesluit/Regeling Bouwbesluit, or at least the contents thereof, are not binding because they are generally binding regulations that do not accord with the stipulations contained in the Bekendmakingswet [= 1988 Publication Act] and have therefore not come into effect or alternatively that these NEN standards, or at least the contents thereof, form no part of the Bouwbesluit/Regeling Bouwbesluit, and are not generally binding on the relevant parties;
- 2. that it should be declared in Court that the NEN standards to which reference is made in the *Bouwbesluit/Regeling Bouwbesluit*, or at least the contents thereof, as far as concerns the basic text of said standards, in accordance with Article 11 *Auteurswet* are free of copyright;
- 3. that the State, NNI respectively will be ordered to place at the disposal of Knooble a copy of all the NEN standards to which reference is made in the *Bouwbesluit/Regeling Bouwbesluit*, or at least the contents thereof, in writing or in digital form, irrespective of the question whether said generally binding regulations have already come into force.
- 3.3 The District Court awarded only the primary claim under 1. On appeal the Appeals Court quashed the judgment of the District Court and dismissed Knooble's claims as altered on appeal.
- 3.4 In the judgment under 7. the Appeals Court has assumed in cassation not contested on specific grounds that NEN standards come into existence as follows: after it has been pointed out that there is a need for a standard in a specific area, a NEN

standard is designed by a standard committee consisting of representatives of organisations who have an interest in said standard coming into existence, such as manufacturers, traders, users, governments or consumer organisations. NNI arbitrates when weighing up the various interests, arranges impartial process supervision and monitors consistency between the already existing standards. The design of the standard is published to subject it to a public round of criticism. Once any criticisms have been processed the standard committee acting on the basis of consensus then fixes the standard. NNI manages the fixed standards and arranges for the NEN standards to be available to the interested parties in exchange for payment and without prejudice to copyright. Moreover interested parties may take cognizance of the NEN standards in NNI's own library.

3.5 The Appeals Court based its dismissal of Knooble's claims as altered on appeal on the following grounds.

The Woningwet (whereby the Appeals Court apparently has its eye on Articles 2 and 3) makes provision for reference being made to standards such as NEN standards in implementing regulations. The reference in said implementing regulations, which are generally binding regulations (the Bouwbesluit and the Regeling Bouwbesluit based on it), to NEN standards does indeed make said standards under public law generally applicable standards (for example as standards which have at least to be fulfilled or fulfilled in an equivalent way) but does not make them generally binding regulations in the more limited sense in which that is understood in the Grondwet [=Constitution] or the Bekendmakingswet. For the latter to occur it would be necessary to have said standards laid down based on a regulatory power. The NEN standards do not fulfil said criterion because they are not laid down by the agency authorised to set regulations established by the Bouwbesluit/Regeling Bouwbesluit but on the grounds of agreements made under private law by representatives of organisations who have an interest in everyone using the same standard and who have no regulatory powers under public law (ground 8).

The ability of representatives of regulatory bodies to initiate the laying down or the altering of NEN standards does not mean that NNI as a private organisation has regulatory powers. A regulatory body referring to NEN standards that have been implemented based on private law agreements thus making the standards generally applicable does neither mean that NNI has regulatory powers (ground 9).

Not all generally applicable standards with external effect are generally binding regulations in the legal sense and nor can it ever have the intention of the legislator to have the current NEN standards become such regulations. Such is clear because many of the said NEN standards set no demands whatsoever but only standardize technical methods of calculating, measuring or regulating. The standard used to determine whether any generally binding regulation is complied with does not itself constitute the generally binding regulation also not when a legislator refers to said standard in a

generally binding regulation and so draws in said standard into the assessment framework (ground 10).

In addition under Article 1.5 of the *Bouwbesluit* that refers to the NEN standards these do not have to be met where an at least equivalent result as intended by the regulation can be achieved by some other means rather than application of said standards (ground 11).

The Appeals Court also sees no reason for any other opinion. The NEN standards are aimed at persons and companies who are professionally involved in building work and the costs of taking cognizance and observing the NEN standards is discounted in the design, building and maintenance processes. Cognizance of the NEN standards can be taken at NNI and you can acquire them for a fee. This way the NEN standards become sufficiently widely known. It has neither been argued nor shown that this system has unacceptable consequences for society nor that this threatens the continued existence of companies such as Knooble (ground 12).

The circumstance that, as Knooble has argued, many have expressed their endorsement of its position and that the government is being urged by society to have the "standards referred to" made available to the public free of charge, does not bring the Appeals Court to any other opinion. It would be up to the legislator to bring about any such system change, as this would fall beyond the remit of the judge whose task it is to focus on the development of the law (ground 13).

Whilst the NEN standards referred to in the *Bouwbesluit/Regeling Bouwbesluit* must indeed be regarded as generally applicable, the stipulations in the *Bekendmakingswet* are not applicable. The State has not breached any rules that apply to it in terms of notification/publication of any generally binding regulations. Knooble's claims under I primarily and alternatively will not be allowed (ground 14).

NNI carried out notification/publication of the NEN standards. Knooble did not provide any arguments to support its position that NNI would have to be regarded as forming part of the public authorities if it cannot be determined that the relevant NEN standards have been recorded in the *Bouwbesluit/Regeling Bouwbesluit*. The second part of Knooble's claim will therefore also not be allowed (ground 15).

Given the above, the points of departure for Knooble's third and fourth claims are incorrect so that these claims too will not be eligible to be awarded (ground 16).

3.6 Part 1a is a ground for appeal to the effect that the Appeals Court has stepped beyond the ambit of the legal dispute or has provided an incomprehensible explanation of Knooble's claims and arguments in the grounds 7-15 of its judgment by assuming that Knooble bases its claims on the argument that the NEN standards that NNI has laid down would in and of themselves have to be designated generally binding regulations that NNI has laid down as the public law body authorised for the purpose with regulatory powers and that in accordance with the *Bekendmakingswet* should be

notified/published prior to their coming into force. This ground for appeal is lacking in factual foundation because neither from the Appeals Court's grounds as mentioned nor from its judgment can be deduced that the Appeals Court held that Knooble bases its claims on any such argument.

### 3.7 Part 1b relates to the central issue in the dispute.

The ground for appeal amounts to this: the Appeals Court's judgment that a reference to NEN standards in a generally binding regulation whilst this does make them generally binding standards in public law but does not make them generally binding regulations in the limited sense of the *Grondwet* or the *Bekendmakingswet*, is incorrect and argues that the NEN standards referred to in the *Bouwbesluit* or in the *Regeling Bouwbesluit*, or at least the relevant parts thereof, by said reference become an inseparable part of the relevant generally binding regulations in the sense of the *Grondwet* or the *Bekendmakingswet*, and that pursuant to Article 1.4 of the *Bouwbesluit* the same holds for NEN standards that on the grounds of the European guideline for building products are replaced by NEN-EN standards, emanating from a European Standardization Institute.

3.8 The ground for appeal is without foundation. The generally binding regulations in Article 89 paragraph 4 of the Grondwet and Articles 3 and 4 of the Bekendmakingswet are rules that have external effect, are binding on citizens, and emanate from a body that derives its regulatory powers from an Act of Parliament. Article 2 of the Woningwet makes provision for technical terms and conditions to be given about such things as the construction of a building by or by virtue of governmental decree. Article 3 Woningwet adds to this that by or by virtue of governmental decree as under Article 2 reference may be made to standards or part standards. By doing so Article 3 does not intend, as confirmed by the parliamentary history as cited in the conclusion of Advocate General under Nos. 3.16-3.18, to empower the institute that sets up said standards to establish generally binding regulations. Where in other respects NNI does not by or pursuant to an Act of Parliament establish generally binding regulations the NEN standards cannot be designated generally binding regulations as under Article 89 paragraph 4 Grondwet and Articles 3 and 4 Bekendmakingswet, not even to the extent that the Bouwbesluit/Regeling Bouwbesluit refer to it. The judgment by the Appeals Court that said reference does not make the relevant NEN standards into generally binding regulations in the limited sense of the Grondwet or the Bekendmakingswet, that would first come into force on publication/notification as arranged in the Bekendmakingswet, is thus correct. The circumstance that, as Knooble has argued, some prior attuning takes place as between the minister and the NNI as to whether a NEN-standard will be used for reference in the Bouwbesluit/Regeling Bouwbesluit, such that the terminology and NNI's elaboration of the standard is attuned to the legislative regulations, does nothing to change this.

- 3.9 Part 1c assumes that the NEN standards referred to in the *Bouwbesluit/Regeling Bouwbesluit*, are part of the generally binding regulations emanating from the central government i.e. substantive law. It follows from the above that this point of departure is incorrect due to which the grounds of appeal of this part, namely, that the Appeals Court has ignored the fact that only a clear statutory provision or an apparently unambiguous meaning on the part of the legislator recorded in a formal statutory provision arising out of the history of how the *Bekendmakingswet* or *Woningwet* came into existence could bring about a situation whereby with due regard for the *Bekendmakingswet* the standards would not have to be published, fail.
- 3.10 The opinion held in this part as well as under part 2 that on the grounds of Article 11 Auteurswet no copyright rests on the NEN standards referred to in the Bouwbesluit/Regeling Bouwbesluit is incorrect. As deliberated upon earlier in 3.8 said standards do not emanate from the public authorities and they cannot be designated as generally binding regulations in the sense in which that is understood in the Grondwet or the Bekendmakingswet. It would therefore not hold that the public authorities had issued them as intended in Article 11 of the Auteurswet.
- 3.11 Alongside parts 1a-1c, part 1d is lacking in independent significance.
- 3.12 Part 1e is a grievance to the effect that the Appeals Court incorrectly disallowed the claim (under 1 alternatively) that it should be declared in Court that the NEN standards referred to are not generally binding on the parties concerned. This part is without foundation. The Appeals Court correctly judged that there are generally applicable standards that are not at one and the same time "generally binding regulations" in the sense of the *Bekendmakingswet*, and that in the current case it concerns such standards. As a corollary the Appeals Court correctly disallowed the claim under 1 alternatively.
- 3.13 The remaining grounds for appeal from part 2 as well as those of part 3 are also not allowed because of the above reasons.
- 3.14 NNI has claimed costs to cover the legal proceedings at the end of Article 1019h Rv. [= Rechtsvordering = Code of Civil Procedure] because it is essentially defending the enforcement of its intellectual property rights. This claim, that Knooble disputes, is well founded because NNI adopts the position that it is entitled to copyright in respect of the NEN standards, in cassation has conducted a defence aimed at preventing Knooble's claim to have declared in Court that the NEN standards referred to in the Bouwbesluit/Regeling Bouwbesluit are free of copyright. At the same time Knooble argued that if Article 1019h can be applied in the case, NNI has neglected to make clear

what part of the costs it has incurred relates to the copyright aspects in the case. This argument, that apparently extends to it only having to pay a part of NNI's costs at the end of Article 1019h, is unfounded because points of dispute relating to Article 89 paragraph 4 *Grondwet* and Articles 3 and 4 *Bekendmakingswet* determine the result of the copyright point of dispute (see under 3.10 above for this).

3.15 NNI finds an amount of €60,000 in legal costs as reasonable and proportionate. Knooble disputed the amount NNI specified, though without providing any arguments for so doing, such that the legal costs that fall on the side of NNI as mentioned hereinafter will be allowed.

### 4. Ruling

The Supreme Court hereby:

dismisses the appeal;

orders Knooble to pay the costs of the case in cassation, to the point of this judgment on the State's side estimated at €781.34 in disbursements and €2,200 in attorney fees and at €60,000 on NNI's side.

This judgment is made by the vice-president E.J. Numann as presiding justice and the justices A.M.J. van Buchem-Spapens, J.C. van Oven, C.A. Streefkerk and C.E. Drion, and pronounced in open session by justice J.C. van Oven on 22 June 2012.

### **David Pritzker**

From:

Elizabeth Neiman <eneiman@ansi.org>

Sent:

Tuesday, September 18, 2012 5:17 PM

To:

Emily Bremer; Michael Goldenberg; Rae McQuade; Clark Silcox; Peter L. Strauss; Dirk Breedveld; Esa L. Sferra-Bonistalli; Esa L. Sferra-Bonistalli; Thomas B. O'Brien, Jr.; Rachel

Weintraub; Vanessa.Sutherland@dot.gov

Cc: Subject: Patricia Griffin; Scott Cooper; Fran Schrotter ANSI Legal Issues Forum panelists - discussion questions

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To:

Panelists, ANSI Legal Issues Forum

Dear all,

Thank you again for agreeing to participate as panelists at ANSI's upcoming Legal Issues Forum. I look forward to welcoming you to Washington, DC, on Wednesday, October 10. Please note that the event begins at 9 a.m. and ends with a networking luncheon from 1 to 2 p.m.

As promised in my earlier message to you, I am writing to share the discussion questions that will be posed to you by our moderator, Emily Bremer of ACUS. Please find them attached here for your advance preparation.

### DISCUSSION FORMAT

We are looking to have as robust and interactive a dialogue as possible. As a result, we want to avoid prepared PowerPoint presentations and instead focus on the discussion.

Please be prepared to speak for no more than five minutes about your general position (or your organization's position, as appropriate) on incorporation by reference, reasonable availability, and copyright.

Once each of you has spoken briefly, our moderator, Emily Bremer of ACUS, will lead the group discussion using this series of focused questions.

Please note that we are also expecting a great deal of audience interaction, given the subject matter.

### PREPARATORY TELECONFERENCE

You should have all received a calendar notice from me for a preparatory teleconference at 10 a.m. either on Thursday, September 27, or Monday, October 1. I look forward to speaking with you then.

### **BIO and SPECIAL NEEDS**

As soon as possible, please send me your brief bio (250 words or less) for inclusion in our event program. Many of you have already done so - thank you! Please also indicate if you have any dietary restrictions or other special needs so that we may best accommodate you.

### **AGENDA**

The latest version of the agenda will always be available at this link for your reference. You may also visit www.ansi.org/wsweek to view the full series of events.

Once again, many thanks for agreeing to participate in the forum. I look forward to a very exciting event and to seeing each of you in person.

Best regards,

Liz

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### **ANSI Legal Issues Forum 2012**

### **Moderated Discussion Questions**

### **General Questions for All Panelists**

- What kinds of things do SDOs already do to make their standards available? Is this enough?
- Why don't SDOs just change their business model? Companies are forced to do that all the time and they survive. Just look at the music industry.
- If standards and codes were given away for free, what would the impact really be on the U.S. standardization system? Wouldn't everyone just adapt?
- What if the U.S. government just develops its own standards? This doesn't seem to be an issue in other countries.
- What if the government pays SDOs for all standards that it incorporates by reference?
- Why is protecting intellectual property in standards so important? Is it just about the money?
- How does your organization define reasonable availability?
- How should agencies and regulated parties handle secondary and tertiary references to standards?
- Standards developed by international organizations like ISO and IEC have also been incorporated by reference. Is it reasonable to expect these organizations to make their standards available when they are not under the U.S. government's jurisdiction?

### **Targeted Questions**

### For Dirk Breedveld, NEN (on the phone)

- Earlier this year, the same issue came up in the Netherlands with respect to your Buildings Decree. I understand that your Supreme Court issued a decision in June on copyright of standards referenced in Dutch law. Can you please tell us a little more about what happened?
- Following the Supreme Court's decision, has there been any continued discussion of the matter? Does the issue receive any attention in your media, for example?

### For Michael Goldenberg, FERC

How many standards has FERC incorporated by reference into regulation?

- Has FERC considered developing its own standards instead of relying on the private sector? What was the result of that analysis?
- What would happen if FERC had to pay SDOs to develop standards so they could be made freely available?
- What can government agencies do to make sure that the most current versions of standards are incorporated by reference?

### For Rae McQuade, NAESB

- Your organization's response to the Federal Register petition was very detailed in outlining exactly how NAESB makes its documents available for review. Could you please share that information with the audience?
- Is versioning an issue when NAESB standards are incorporated by reference? (For example, a 2003 version is referenced when a newer version exists.) How do you handle this?
- Does NAESB make incorporated standards available today, in some form (read-only, etc.)? If NAESB was required to make all of its incorporated standards available for <u>free</u>, what would happen?
- Do you often receive requests for information on incorporated standards? How do you handle these requests?

### For Tom O'Brien, ASTM International

- ASTM International does a lot of work with small and medium-sized enterprises. Do you have any special programs in place for these groups to enhance their access?
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### For Esa Sferra-Bonistalli, USCG

The Coast Guard has developed a well-regarded approach to the incorporation of standards. How many standards has the Coast Guard incorporated by reference into regulation?

- Has the Coast Guard considered developing its own standards instead of relying on the private sector? What was the result of that analysis?
- What would happen if the Coast Guard had to pay SDOs to make incorporated standards freely available?
- What can government agencies do to make sure that the most current versions of standards are incorporated by reference?

### For Clark Silcox, NEMA

- When a NEMA standard is incorporated by reference, does the regulation typically make reference to the full standard or just a portion of it?
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- Do you often receive requests for information on incorporated standards? How do you handle these requests?

### For Peter Strauss, Columbia Law School

- You coordinated the Federal Register petition, which included some discussion about the criteria for reasonable availability. Can you please elaborate on your views?
- In its comments on the Federal Register petition, the American Bar Association's Section on Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice suggested that it would be sufficient for incorporated standards to be available in "read-only" format, and acknowledged that some SDOs already do this. I understand that you were involved in preparing these comments. Your petition to the Federal Register seems to take a similar position, urging that documents must be "electronically accessed for reading without cost." Others have taken a different approach, arguing that standards are the law and should be available for free without the limitations of a "read-only" format. Can you please explore this distinction?

### For Vanessa Allen Sutherland, PHMSA, DOT

- In July, PHMSA hosted a workshop on incorporation by reference that focused on the implementation of section 24 of the Pipeline Safety Bill. In your view, what were some of the key takeaways from the discussion at the workshop?
- How many standards has PHMSA incorporated by reference into regulation?

- Has PHMSA or the Department of Transportation considered developing its own standards instead of relying on the private sector? What was the result of that analysis?
- What would happen if PHMSA had to pay SDOs to develop standards so they could be made freely available?
- What can government agencies do to make sure that the most current versions of standards are incorporated by reference?

### For Rachel Weintraub, Consumer Federation of America

- In response to the Office of Management and Budget's request for information on Circular A-119, your organization stated that citizens should have "unfettered access" to standards that have been incorporated by reference into U.S. law. How do you define "unfettered?"
- Consumer groups contribute to standards development though involvement in individual standards creation efforts and through international efforts such as ISO's Committee on Consumer Policy. Given time and resource constraints, do you have any suggestions for how consumer groups and SDOs can most effectively work together in standards development activities?

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From: Sent:

Scott Cooper < SCooper@ansi.org> Monday, April 23, 2012 5:29 PM

To:

Emily Bremer; Neil R. Eisner; Cheryl A. Falvey

Cc:

Adam Schlosser; Reeve Bull

Subject:

RE: May 1 IBR Panel--Call next week?

Excellent.

Thanks Emily for your persistence.

Looking forward.

Best Scott

Scott Cooper

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All,

Thank you all for letting me know your availability. Miraculously, we've found a time that works for everyone: 4:30 pm tomorrow afternoon. I've set up a conference bridge for us. At the appointed time, just call 202.480.2086 and enter conference code 49310.

The call shouldn't take long; we just want to get everyone on the same page for the upcoming panel discussion.

Best, Emily

From: Emily Bremer

Sent: Thursday, April 19, 2012 4:19 PM

To: 'Neil.Eisner@dot.gov'; Cheryl A. Falvey; 'Scott Cooper'

Cc: 'Schlosser, Adam'; Reeve Bull

Subject: May 1 IBR Panel--Call next week?

Neil, Cheryl, and Scott,

Thank you all for agreeing to be on the IBR panel for our upcoming event at the Chamber of Commerce. We're looking forward to a great discussion! As you know, the event will start at 2:30 on Tuesday, May 1. The IBR panel will be up first. I'll be joining you as a panelist, while Reeve will moderate the discussion.

Are you available for a conference call next week to discuss the format and content of our respective presentations? If so, please let me know your availability on the afternoons of next Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. When I've heard from everyone, I'll set a time that everyone can do and will set up a conference bridge for us.

Thank you,

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Wednesday, September 07, 2011 3:56 PM

To:

**Emily Bremer** 

Subject:

RE: ACUS Report on Standards Inc by Ref

### Dear Emily;

Hope you had a pleasant August and were able to get away from the standards project for a little while. In that regard, is there an update on your report?

Thanks! Jeff

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To:

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By Richard Wilhelm

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Tuesday, October 22, 2013 8:57 AM

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Scott Cooper

Subject:

RE: RegBlog Weekly Email: October 21, 2013

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Ah, yes, I saw that. Did you see the other pieces? RegBlog did another three-part series, including a piece from their staff and one from Sean Croston, an attorney at FTC (and formerly at NRC). The series is here: <a href="https://www.law.upenn.edu/blogs/regblog/2013/10/continuing-debate-over-regulatory-incorporation.html">https://www.law.upenn.edu/blogs/regblog/2013/10/continuing-debate-over-regulatory-incorporation.html</a>.

And I believe I promised I'd inflict my newest IBR article on you, but then neglected to do so. 

It's attached. I would appreciate it if you would not circulate it without my permission—I expect to make changes before submitting it to journals in the spring. If you have any suggestions in that regard, I'd be thrilled to hear them, although I understand that you may not have time.

The job search is going better this year—the hiring conference was last weekend, and I've already got callbacks at Notre Dame, Southern Illinois University, and the University of Alabama. Fingers crossed!

Cheers, Emily

**From:** Scott Cooper [mailto:SCooper@ansi.org] **Sent:** Tuesday, October 22, 2013 8:49 AM

To: Emily Bremer

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A belated response from Prof Strauss on Portal and NARA petition.

https://www.law.upenn.edu/blogs/regblog/2013/10/15-strauss-one-step-forward.html

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# THIS PAST WEEK IN REGBLOG

Series: The Continuing Debate Over Regulatory Incorporation

Our previous series, <u>Regulating by Reference</u>, chronicled the surprising reality that "some legally binding rules also originate within private organizations – not the government." This practice, known as "incorporation by reference," takes advantage of industry expertise, but also is perceived to come into tension with general principles of open government because the private standards an agency incorporates by reference are not always readily available to the public. In this week's series, *The Continuing Debate Over Regulatory Incorporation, RegBlog* is excited to publish new essays on the issue by <u>Professor Strauss</u> and attorney <u>Sean Croston</u>. We begin, first, with a <u>news story</u> by <u>RegBlog</u> writer Jessica Bassett explaining the OFR's recent action....<u>More</u>

# FEATURED ESSAYS

**Opinion: OFR's Refusal to Regulate References** 

# **Sean Croston**

In the opening days of his first term, President Obama proclaimed that his administration would be the most transparent in history, stating that: "Transparency promotes accountability and provides information for citizens about what their Government is doing. . . . My Administration will take appropriate action, consistent with law and policy, to disclose information rapidly in forms that the public can readily find and use. Executive departments and agencies should harness new technologies to put information about their operations and decisions online and readily available to the public." In that spirit, debate continues over incorporation by reference (IBR), an obscure but important administrative law tool that allows federal agencies to build into their binding regulations various standards developed by outside entities....More

# Opinion: One Step Forward, Two Steps Back

# Peter L. Strauss

On October 2, the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) held an open forum in Washington, D.C. on "Government Reliance on Voluntary Consensus Standards and Conformance Programs." ANSI's President and CEO, Joe Bhatia, proudly announced that ANSI was creating an Incorporation by Reference Portal – already subscribed to by 14 standards development organizations (SDOs, including the International Standards Organization and other heavy hitters) – to provide free public access on a tightly controlled read-only basis to voluntary consensus standards converted into legal obligations through their incorporation by reference into agency regulations. James Shannon, President and CEO of the National Fire Protection Association, responsible among other things for the National Electrical Code many states have incorporated by reference into their laws, reminded the audience that NFPA had been providing such a facility for ten years, without appreciable damage to a financial base heavily dependent on sales of its standards....More

# STORIES FROM THIS PAST WEEK

# News: Federal Reserve Board Implements New Capital Plan Rules

### Patricia Santiago

The Federal Reserve Board recently issued two interim final rules that bring the U.S. closer to satisfying internationally recommended capital safeguards for bank holding companies. In an earlier statement, Chairman Ben Bernanke emphasized the new capital requirements are "a key element of the Board's regulatory reform package to promote financial stability. "The interim final rules raise capital ratio requirements for banking institutions. The Federal Reserve uses capital ratios to measure

# News: OFR Responds to Petition on Incorporation by Reference

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Most everyone is familiar with the legal principle that ignorance of the law excuses no one. But what if the public cannot access or consult a particular law? Public access to binding legal rules lies at the core of a recent announcement by the Office of the Federal Register (OFR) responding to a petition addressing a practice known as incorporation by reference. A government agency incorporates by reference when it "adopts" a standard developed by a *private* organization as part of a *government* regulation. In its recent announcement, OFR concluded that public access to the law does not require private standards that are incorporated to be accessible online—or even available to the public for free....More

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