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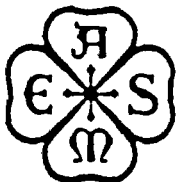
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This memo is in response to Main Committee Action Item A 78-10 where I was requested to review the processing of Letter Ballots 143, 146, and 149 with regard to the approval of Part 2.7 of NQA-2 to determine if the proposed Part was processed in accordance with the OP&P (i.e., were substantive changes made to the draft Part between LB 143 and LB 146).

Upon review of the subject information covered in LB 146, I have concluded that some of the changes such as the numbers and types of definitions, and information in Section 2.1, 3.0, and 3.7 can be interpreted as substantive changes. Based on this determination, plus the fact that we have had considerable discussion on this Part 2.7, and several letter ballots recently, I feel that it is in our Committee's best interest to clear the air by submitting another letter ballot to the Main Committee as first consideration that reflects the typed copy of the latest part 2.7 so that the Main Committee members can ballot it in total. Request that action be taken to have the ballot sent out by the Secretary to the Main Committee members.

Currently it is my understanding that we have received some comments from IEEE on this proposed Part 2.7, therefore, consideration should be given to deciding whether or not any changes that might be brought about as a result of IEEE comments be considered as a separate ballot to be processed through the Main Committee citing IEEE as the source of the proposed changes.

It is strongly recommended that when we send out this revised draft to Part 2.7, that we also transmit to the Main Committee members a brief summary siting the assignment provided by the Main Committee to the Subcommittee that prompted this particular addition to NQA-2 in the first place. I feel that this brief explanation will help focus as we ballot the document. Based on verbal comments made at some of the Main Committee meetings, I feel that Bob Hartstern probably might be a good candidate to write up this summary based on information he has extracted from the various minutes of meetings. I feel that it is also important that we try to present as clear a picture to the board on Nuclear Codes and Standards (BNCS) as we can when we submit the document to them for ballot and feel that the same information we give to the Main Committee should be presented to the BNCS giving them the background surrounding this task so that the BNCS can put it in perspective.

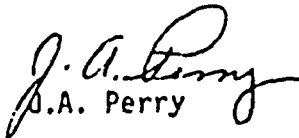


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It is intended that the above direction will serve to aid us in getting this important addition to NQA-2 approved by the BNCS and minimize possible negative comments on the basis of us not complying with our OP&P's.

Should you have any questions regarding the above direction or have any comments, please don't hesitate to call.

Very truly yours,


J.A. Perry

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