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TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE ANSI
COMMITTEE, C107, ON USE AND
DISPOSAL OF ASKAREL AND
ASKAREL-SOAKED MATERIALS

SUBJECT: LETTER BALLOT C107/1 ON APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL FOR AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARD GUIDELINES FOR HANDLING AND DISPOSAL OF CAPACITOR AND TRANSFORMER GRADE ASKARELS CONTAINING POLYCHLORINATED BIPHENYLS C107.1-( )

Gentlemen:

As you were notified in previous correspondence, prepublication of the subject as a NEMA Official Standards Proposal was unanimously approved by the Committee. This step was taken to make this important information available sooner than would have been possible through ANSI procedures.

As also approved at the October 3, 1972 meeting of the C107, this letter ballot is now being issued to submit the NEMA Official Standards Proposal for approval and publication as an American National Standard. Another copy of the NEMA publication is enclosed for your information in voting on this ballot.

The Chairman held the following more-than editorial comment received with the General Services Administration's vote on the original NEMA Publication for consideration for the first revision of the subsequent American Standards Publication:

"While it may not be practical at present to exercise meaningful control over the disposition of devices and equipment in which small capacitor units are used (see paragraph A2, page 8), we cannot conclude that meaningful control will not be practical in the future. Accordingly, in view of such a possibility, the devices and/or equipment should be labeled to the extent of showing that some components contain PCB's. A label will facilitate control over disposal at a later date if determined to be practical."

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The several other editorial suggestions received with votes have already been incorporated in the attached NEMA Publication.

The Chairman also requested the Working Groups to prepare recommendations for the first revision, with respect to the new proposals contained in EXHIBIT "A".

For your further information, Mr. P. Benignus, Chairman of the Executive Committee, was requested to initiate work on the following unfinished areas:

1. Serve as a source for technical information and advice for Federal, State and local authorities and for the information of all others concerned.

2. Encourage the development of suitable disposal facilities and maintain a list of their capabilities and locations, for the information of all concerned.

3. Serve as the advisory group for U.S. participation in CEE, IEC, COPANT, SEGRA and other international organizations.

You are requested to record your vote on the enclosed proposal and return it to the Secretary as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

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