

**LOG OF MEETING
DIRECTORATE FOR ENGINEERING SCIENCES**

SUBJECT: ANSI/WCMA Window Coverings Steering Committee Meeting

DATE OF MEETING: 2 December 2021

PLACE OF MEETING: Virtual/Teleconference

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Rana Balci-Sinha (ESHF)

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COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Rana Balci-Sinha (ESHF), Mark Bailey (EC), Mary House (OGC), Kevin Lee (ESMC), Howard Tarnoff (EXC), Suad Wanna-Nakamura (HSPP)

NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Contact WCMA for attendee list

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

Mr. Ralph Vasami conducted the meeting. Mr. Vasami stated that WCMA officially reopened the ANSI/WCMA A100.1 – 2018 standard using the ANSI procedures and will utilize the canvas method. Mr. Vasami outlined the following topics as “Areas of Focus” for custom product requirements: standard cord lock system, tilt cords, and cord consolidators as well as adding the rigid cord shroud requirement to the standard. Mr. Krenik stated that the main goal is to address cord lock systems on free hanging cords. Per Ms. Kaiser’s question on whether continuous loops would also be addressed, Mr. Vasami stated that “Areas of Review” include retractable cords, cordless TDBU (Top Down Bottom Up), and Continuous Loop with Tension Devices. Ms. Kaiser asked whether the remote controls would require the button batteries to be secured, Mr. Vasami said that they would add that item to the issues list. Ms. Kaiser asked the data sources that WCMA relied on to develop these topic areas; Mr. Vasami responded that CPSC provided a large number of IDs, however, because they are redacted, information on whether the products were stock or custom or the cord type were not identified in many cases. CPSC staff said that the draft Notice of Proposed Rulemaking included a detailed incident breakdown based on the information staff was able to analyze. It was agreed that although the information WCMA analyzed may not exactly match with CPSC staff’s data due to the redacted (therefore unidentified) elements, the overall direction of the committee would remain the same. Mr. Jeff Stout will be leading the steering committee. Mr. Vasami said that the next meeting is likely to be scheduled after the new year.