Subcommittee on Fiberglass and Plastic Tubulars
(SC15)

SC15 Meeting
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API Antitrust Guidelines

It is API’s policy to comply with the antitrust laws. API staff and member company representatives should observe the following guidance:

- No discussion or forecasting of prices for goods or services provided by or received by a company.
- No sharing or discussing any company’s confidential or proprietary information.
- No discussion of an company’s specific purchasing plans; merger/divestment plans, production information, inventories or costs.
- No sharing or discussion of specific company compliance cost, unless publicly available.
- No agreement or discussion regarding the purchase or sale of goods or services (such decisions are independent company decisions).
- No discussion of how individual companies intend to respond to potential market/economic scenarios or government action; discussion limited to generalities.
- No disparaging remarks regarding specific vendors, products or services.

If a discussion presents an antitrust issue, raise your concern immediately. If the discussion continues, announce that you are leaving the meeting because you have an antitrust concern, and immediately report your concern to API’s Office of the General Counsel and to your company’s own counsel.

For API Standards Development

- Maintain written meeting minutes and obtain advance legal clearance from API for all written presentations.
- Make sure everyone materially affected by an adoption or revision of an API standard has an opportunity to comment.
- Confer with legal counsel beforehand if you believe any antitrust issues could arise.

This Reference is not a comprehensive summary of antitrust issues, nor is it a substitute for legal advice. Antitrust issues should be raised with API’s Office of the General Counsel and/or the member company’s own antitrust counsel.
SC15 Topics

- API Updates
- SC15 Structure & Rosters
- API MyCommittees (sharepoint)
  - http://mycommittees.api.org/standards/ecs/sc15/default.aspx
- API Standards Development Process
- SC15 Document Portfolio
- SC15 TG’s/WG’s
Note 1: The documents are worked on and maintained within the Work Group as identified.

Note 2: The balloting of the documents is to the Task Group which the Work Groups are under.

Note 3: The Work Groups operate under the Task Group where the WG chair(s) report to the TG chair(s) and/or the subcommittee chair(s), and the TG chair(s) report to the subcommittee chair(s).
**API Standards Development Process**

1. **Initiate new standards action**
   - Complete SRRR form
   - Submit SRRR form to parent committee

2. **Parent committee approval?**
   - Yes
   - Existing group of SME’s?
     - Yes
     - Solicit volunteer SME’s for the consensus group (CG)
     - No
     - Revise SRRR form
   - No
     - Revise SRRR form

3. **New or revised standard?**
   - Yes
     - Development scope of standard
   - No
     - New or revised standard?

4. **CG develops proposed draft**
   - CG approves for balloting?
     - Yes
     - Ballot draft to consensus group
     - No
     - Revise draft

5. **Valid consensus ballot?**
   - Yes
     - Resolve ballot comments
     - Revise draft standard
   - No
     - Substantive changes to draft?

6. **Final ballot results approved?**
   - Yes
     - Publish new or revised standard
     - Revise draft standard
     - Submit draft to API editor
   - No
     - Recirculate revised draft to CG

7. **Resolve comments**
   - Yes
     - *Unresolved negatives?*
     - No
     - Revise draft standard
     - Submit draft to API editor
     - API legal review
     - Publish new or revised standard
   - No
     - Final ballot results approved?

**Key**
- CG: consensus group
- SME: subject matter expert
- SRRR: Standards Resource & Research Request
- *: Seek clarity on meaning from API if needed
SC15/TG1: Fiberglass Line Pipe and Tubulars

- **Spec 15HR**
  - 4th edition published
  - Regression Testing Project by SwRI
  - 5th edition considerations
  - 27 Monogram Licensees
  - License Information Form Updates?

- **Spec 15LR**
  - New edition needed for styling and cross reference updates (minimum)
  - 24 Monogram Licensees
  - License Information Form Updates?

- **RP 15CLT**
  - New edition needed for styling and cross reference updates (minimum)

- **RP 15TL4**
  - New edition needed for styling and cross reference updates
  - Comments from 15HR 4th ed. ballot
SC15/TG2: Composite Line Pipe and Tubulars

❖ RP→Spec 15S
  ➢ Ballot/Recirculation Update for 2nd edition
  ➢ API Monogram Program Color Coding for Auditors
  ➢ License Information Form (LIF) Development

❖ ‘Reinforced Thermoplastic Liners’
  ➢ Development Progress Update
SC15/TG3: Thermoplastic Pipe

❖ Spec 15LE
  ➢ New edition needed for styling and cross reference updates
  ➢ Items from previous ballot to be considered for next edition
  ➢ 1 Monogram Licensee
  ➢ Should next edition be an RP or STD since only 1 licensee (Pakistan) or keep as Spec but remove from Monogram Program?
  ➢ License Information Form Updates?

❖ ‘Thermoplastic Liners’
  ➢ Development Progress Update
In-Closing

- Meeting Expectations
  - Use Sign-in Sheet
  - Take Minutes
  - Develop/Store Product (if any)

- SC15 Recognitions