SPRING SINGAPORE CALLS FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS ON SINGAPORE STANDARDS – 15 MAY 2014

Singapore Standards are established based on an open system which is also in accordance with the World Trade Organisation requirements. SPRING Singapore is inviting public comments for the following drafts and Singapore Standards:

(I) **Building and Construction**

**Revision**

1. **Specification for joints and fittings for use with unplasticised PVC pressure pipes**
   
   [Revision of SS 174 : 1977 (1997)]

   This standard applies to solvent cementing fittings and elastomeric ring seal fittings made from unplasticised PVC.

   It is applicable to fittings in piping systems intended for the supply of water under pressure up to and including 25°C, intended for human consumption and for general purposes. It is also applicable to conveyance of water up to and including 45°C.

   This revision updates the standard with the latest relevant overseas standards, in particular, the alignment of testing methods with international practices.

   Potential users may include manufacturers and suppliers, testing agencies, contractors, consultants, professional engineers and relevant government bodies.

(II) **Chemical**

**New**

2. **Code of practice for imaging and writing of digital text and drawing documents on 16 mm and 35 mm black and white, silver-gelatin type microfilm for long term preservation – Operating procedures**

   This standard specifies the operating procedures for imaging and writing of digital text and drawing documents on 16 mm and 35 mm black and white, silver-gelatin type microfilm for long term preservation. In this standard, long term is considered to be a period of time usually lasting more than a century.

   Black-and-white, silver-gelatin type microfilm when properly processed and stored will become an irreversible record of proven quality, meeting extended-term storage criterion.

   This standard does not cover the following:

   - Animated images or sounds;
   - Three-dimensional images; and
   - Electronic medical records such as X-ray images

   Potential users of the standard may include National Archives, National Library and other government bodies, as well as, media and publishing companies and any organisations that archive their documents.
Revision

3. *Code of practice for bulk liquid oxygen storage installations on user premises* (Revision of CP 34 : 1985)

This standard covers the general principles recommended for bulk liquid oxygen storage installations on user premises where the tank capacity is more than 500 litres or less than 100,000 litres. More extensive safety precautions must be employed where extreme hazards are involved, as in highly congested areas or where associated equipment has only a small safety margin.

This revision provides guidance for persons associated with the design, installation, operation and maintenance of bulk liquid oxygen storage systems. It includes an update to the minimum separation distances between bulk liquid oxygen systems and exposure hazards.

Potential users of the standard may include manufacturers, purchasers as well as by related government agencies.

Review
(NOTE: Review the existing standards to determine if they should be updated, confirmed or withdrawn – no new drafts/versions at this juncture)

4. **Code of practice for the transportation and storage of pesticides** (CP 32: 1985)

This standard outlines the requirements for the transportation and storage of pesticides.

Potential users of the standard may include manufacturers, purchasers, test laboratories and related government agencies.

(III) General Engineering and Safety

Revision


This standard specifies the requirements for moulded thermoplastic rectangular refuse bins, up to a maximum capacity of 250 litres.

The revision resulted in updates to the figures of refuse bins and test loads specified in this standard.

Potential users of the standard may include manufacturers and suppliers, testing agencies, academia, professional engineers, and relevant government authorities.

(IV) Electrical and Electronic

Review
(NOTE: Review the existing standards to determine if they should be updated, confirmed or withdrawn – no new drafts/versions at this juncture)


This standard specifies the tests specifications and requirements for the electrical and mechanical constructions of adaptors.
This standard does not cover rewirable adaptors, intermediate adaptors and adaptor plugs.

Potential users of the standard may include regulators, testing laboratories, certification bodies, importers, suppliers and manufacturers.

Copies of the drafts and standards are available at:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>For drafts (Viewing only)</th>
<th>For drafts and Singapore Standards (Viewing only)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Login to Singapore Standards eShop at:</td>
<td>National Library Board</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>[Login ▶ Browse ▶ Product Categories ▶ Singapore Standards ▶ Drafts (Singapore Standards) ▶ Select draft]</td>
<td>Lee Kong Chian Reference Library</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>For Singapore Standards (Viewing and purchase)</td>
<td>Level 7, 100 Victoria Street</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Toppan Leefung Pte Ltd</td>
<td>Singapore 188064</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1 Kim Seng Promenade #18-01</td>
<td>Viewing hours:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Great World City East Tower</td>
<td>Mon to Sun: 10 am to 8.30 pm.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Singapore 237994</td>
<td>Email <a href="mailto:ref@nlb.gov.sg">ref@nlb.gov.sg</a> to schedule an appointment to view the standards.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Customer Service Hotline: (65) 6826 9691</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Email:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><a href="mailto:singaporestandardseshop@toppanleefung.com">singaporestandardseshop@toppanleefung.com</a></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Contact person: Mr Rahman Daud</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Operating Hours:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mon to Fri: 9.30am to 6.00pm</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Closed on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**NOTE**

1) The viewing period of the drafts will expire on the closing of the 2-month public comments. Drafts will no longer be available after this date.

2) The submission form for comments can be downloaded at http://www.spring.gov.sg/public_comments

The closing date for comments is **16 July 2014** for the establishment of Singapore Standards and **16 June 2014** for the review of the Singapore Standards.

For more information on the standards, please contact Mrs Kay Chua, Senior Manager at Tel: (65) 6279 1804 or Email: kay_chua@spring.gov.sg.
Frequently asked questions about public comment on Singapore Standards:

1. **What is public comment?**

   Singapore Standards are established based on an open system which is also in accordance with the World Trade Organisation requirements. These documents are issued as part of a consultation process before any standards are introduced or reviewed. This important stage in the development of Singapore Standards is the Public Comment period. This mechanism helps industry, companies and other stakeholders be aware of forthcoming changes to Singapore Standards and provide them with an opportunity to influence, before their publication, the standards that have been developed by their industry and for their industry.

2. **How does public comment benefit me?**

   The benefits are:
   - It ensures that your views are considered and gives you the opportunity to influence the content of the standards in your area of expertise and in your industry;
   - It enables you to be familiar with the content of the standards before they are published and you stand to gain a competitive advantage with this prior knowledge of the standards.

3. **Why do I have to pay for the standards which are proposed for review or withdrawal?**

   These standards are available for **free viewing** at Toppan Leefung Pte Ltd and the National Library Board at the addresses given above. However, the normal price of the standard will be charged for those who wish to purchase a copy. At the stage where we propose to review or withdraw the standards, the standards are still current and in use. We seek comments for these standards so as to:
   - provide an opportunity for the industry to provide inputs for the review of the standard that would make the standard suitable for the industry’s use,
   - provide feedback on the continued need for the standard so that it will not be withdrawn,

4. **What happens after I have submitted my comments?**

   The comments will be channelled to the relevant standards committee for consideration and you will be informed of the outcome of the committee's decision and you may be invited to meet the committee if clarification is required on your feedback.

5. **Can I view drafts after the public comment period?**

   Drafts will not be available after the public comment period.

6. **How do I request for a new standard?**

   You can inform us of your standardisation needs by completing the Proposal Form at Standards & You.