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PLAN FOR VERIFICATION ROUND IE-2017-03

IMAGING EQUIPMENT/1680.2

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I. PURPOSE AND CONTENTS OF THIS DOCUMENT

This document outlines the plan for a Verification Round of Investigations to be performed in accordance P15 Verification Procedure, this Verification Plan, and EPEAT scheme rules.

II. SELECTION OF CRITERIA AND PRODUCTS FOR VERIFICATION

Verification Round IE-2107-03 will investigate randomly chosen criteria from IEEE 1680.2 and randomly chosen products. 48 Level 1 investigations are planned for this Round. In Level 1 investigations, an Auditor assesses Conformance to a criterion by examining information submitted by a Participating Manufacturer. The Manufacturer is required to provide detailed and accurate information within a 60-day period.

Products and criteria for this Round will be selected according to the following process:

The products and criteria will be selected as follows:

- All products that are currently active in the Registry are eligible for inclusion, and will be chosen first through a random selection process.
- Criteria relating to plastics marking (4.3.1.4 and 4.3.2.2) will be excluded due to last year's amendment to the 1043 marking standard. All other criteria are eligible for inclusion, and will be chosen randomly for each selected product.
- All geographies and Manufacturers are eligible for inclusion.
- The exception is as follows: If a criterion is randomly selected for a product and that product has been investigated against that criterion in the last six months, a new criterion will be randomly selected for the product.
- No Manufacturer will be subject to more than seven investigations during this Round.

III. VERIFICATION PROCESS

The Verification Round will proceed in accordance with current procedures, as outlined below.

A snapshot will be taken of the Registry. Products will be selected as per the Verification Round Plan.

1. This plan will be published on epeat.net.
2. The Green Electronics Council Conformity Assurance staff will instruct Conformity Assurance Bodies (CABs) to proceed with their assigned investigations.
3. CABs will assign investigations to an Auditor, and will notify subject Manufacturers that their products are being investigated.
4. The Auditors will perform the investigations as assigned within 60 calendar days, and prepare an Investigation Report for each investigation, recommending Conformance or Nonconformance.
5. CABs will review all Investigation Reports to ensure they are clear and complete and the evidence supports the recommendation, and will forward the Report and supporting evidence to the Green Electronics Council.
6. Conformity Assurance Staff and the Conformity Decision Panel will review reports and make decisions regarding conformity. The identity of the products and Manufacturers will not be disclosed; decision makers will be blind to the specific products and Manufacturers for which they are making conformity decisions.
7. CABs will inform the subject Manufacturers of the conformity decision. For decisions of Nonconformance, Manufacturers will be required to take corrective action within 14 calendar days to restore the accuracy of the declaration in the EPEAT Registry.

IV. CONFORMITY DECISION PANEL

The following individuals are the members of the Conformity Decision Panel:

- Libby Chaplin, CEO, Arcadian Solutions
- Jack Geibig, President, Ecoform
- Robert Pfahl, Pfahl Consulting L.L.C.
- Annette Roesler, Ph.D., Independent Professional Chemist

V. CONFORMITY ASSURANCE BODIES AND AUDITORS

All investigations will be conducted through Conformity Assurance Bodies approved by the Green Electronics Council. The following Conformity Assurance Bodies may be involved in Investigations for this Verification Round:

- Green Electronics Council CAB
- UL Environment
- Intertek Testing Services
- DEKRA Certification

VI. VERIFICATION ROUND PLAN APPROVAL

This Verification Round Plan was approved by discussion and/or email on September 13, 2017.

VII. SUMMARY OF IE-2017-03 PLANNED INVESTIGATIONS

Criterion	Verification Selection and Process	# Planned Investigations
TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All products and criteria in all countries will be randomly selected.• All active Manufacturers are eligible for selection.• Maximum of seven investigations per Manufacturer.• Exclusion: If a criterion is randomly selected for a product and that product has been investigated against that criterion in the last six months, a new criterion will be randomly selected for the product	48
Total		48