CODES AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE

OPERATING PROCEDURES
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1 Introduction

At the request of the Codes and Standards Committee, this guide to Codes and Standards Committee (C&S) operating procedures has been prepared. Its purpose is to help new C&S members become familiar with C&S operating procedures and to provide guidance to all members when necessary.

It was also the intention of the Codes and Standards Committee that this guide be maintained as a living document and that it be reviewed and updated annually by C&S.

This guide summarizes the scope of responsibilities for the C&S Committee and provides detail for several of the routine processes used by C&S and support staff to carry out its responsibilities within this scope as described in the NEMA Standardization Policies and Procedures (SP&P).

2 Mission

The C&S Committee is responsible for supervising and correlating all work of NEMA in the development of technical standards, codes, specifications, or other regulations, both within NEMA and in cooperation with other organizations, except as such authority is assigned to another NEMA Committee or Council. In addition, the C&S Committee promotes the direct adoption of the National Electrical Code® and supports harmonization of electrotechnical product and conformity assessment procedures on a regional basis in accordance with the expressed wishes of the affected NEMA Product Groups.

3 Scope

In addition to other powers and duties granted or prescribed by the Standards and Conformity Assessment Policy Committee (SCAPC) from time to time, and subject to the supervision and direction of SCAPC, the scope of the C&S Committee is to:

a. Approve NEMA standards or standards publications developed by Product Groups (see Sections 12 and 13).
b. Appoint representatives of NEMA to act with outside bodies in the development of standards, rules, codes, and regulations of outside bodies; and to supervise and correlate the work of such representatives through, for example, the issuance of NEMA Technical Positions, except as such authority is assigned to another NEMA Committee or Council (see Sections 15 and 16).

c. Authorize the appointment of, and supervise the work of, Joint Committees of Product Groups on technical matters, and to notify the secretary of each interested Product Group when a Joint Committee has been appointed to consider any technical matter (see Section 14).

d. Approve or disapprove all explanatory data and information of a technical or engineering nature to be issued as Authorized Engineering Information.

e. Address regional (U.S. and Canadian) conformity assessment issues.

f. Administer the Field Program by defining and publicizing the program, assisting in representative training, evaluating effectiveness of the program, and developing a budget for the program (see Section 17).

g. Advise and recommend to SCAPC a formula for the allocation to the various Product Groups of the costs of all C&S projects.

h. Approve Engineering Bulletins and other items that contain technical content such as Product Group requests to send letters to outside organizations, NEMA presentations, NEMA websites, marketing information, guides, white papers, and other technical documents (see Section 7).

i. Hear appeals of technical issues between product Groups or between members within a Product Group.

j. Advise and recommend to SCAPC any change to the policies and procedures governing technical issues of NEMA.

k. Monitor proposed electrical statutes, ordinances, or regulatory actions which fulfill the mission as stated in Section 2.

l. Approve responses to requests for interpretation of NEMA standards.

m. Communicate with the International and Regional Standardization Committee (IRSC) on issues of mutual concern to coordinate NEMA positions and in order to mitigate overlapping scope.
4 Membership and Officers

The membership of the C&S Committee consists of employees of NEMA member companies and is based upon the following criteria: balanced representation of the broadly diversified interests and products within NEMA, technical expertise, and commitment to active participation. Active participation includes but is not limited to the following: attendance at C&S meetings, contributing to the discussion at C&S meetings, joining Subcommittees, Task Forces, etc. of C&S and participating in their activities, and responding to electronic ballots issued to C&S.

The C&S officers are a chairman and two to four vice chairmen.

5 Meetings and Quorum

The C&S Committee meets approximately six times a year and five members constitute a quorum at all meetings except for the approval of standards. For meetings of the officers of the C&S Committee, a majority of the officers constitutes a quorum.

6 NEMA Technical Position

Definition: For the propose of NEMA’s Codes and Standards Committee only; A “NEMA Technical Position” is defined as the result of a deliberate decision made by the Codes and Standards Committee on any technical matter that is covered by the Committee’s scope. A NEMA Technical Position provides guidance and direction for both NEMA staff and for NEMA members who serve as NEMA representatives on technical committees of outside organizations. NEMA Technical Positions are recorded in the NEMA Codes and Standards Committee meeting minutes.

Purpose: “NEMA Technical Positions” play a vital part in the development of codes and standards and in the design and installation of electrical products for the practical safeguarding of persons and property. Sound technical positions benefit the user, as well as the manufacturer, by
improving safety and/or performance and reducing misunderstandings between manufacturer and user.

Users: NEMA Section(s), NEMA Product Group(s), NEMA Committee(s), NEMA Field Representatives, and NEMA Technical Representatives shall be permitted to express the NEMA Technical Position completely as approved without modifications or revisions.

Examples of NEMA Technical Positions:

Engineering Bulletin 89, NEMA Policy on the Adoption of the National Electrical Code.

Whitepaper: In-Use Weatherproof Covers Protection of Receptacle Outlets.

The NEMA instructed vote on a ballot for approval of a proposal to revise the National Electrical Code.

7 Processing Section Submittals

C&S is routinely called upon to approve or authorize the submittal of technical positions in the form of proposals, comments, letters, etc., which have been submitted by Sections and which are intended to be forwarded to outside organizations under the NEMA imprimatur. The submittals typically are forwarded to C&S support staff by Program Managers (PMs) or Industry Directors (IDs).

Note that Section submittals are normally distributed to other interested Sections for review and comment (see Obtaining Input on Issues from Other than the Submitting Section).

C&S support staff first determines if there are any time constraints associated with the submittal, e.g., due dates, closing dates, etc. Time constraints are important for determining which of the avenues available for obtaining C&S approval to use. If not provided in the transmittal, support staff will have to request it from the submitter.
After the time constraints have been identified, the background information provided by the submitter is reviewed to determine if sufficient information is available for C&S to make a decision. If sufficient background hasn’t been provided, support staff will talk to the submitter to gather additional pertinent information.

Whenever possible, standardized language and a standardized format is used to frame the issue for C&S. This means that the same wording is used for similar issues and information is provided in the same order for similar issues. This is done to make it easier for C&S to grasp the issue and what is being requested. Finally, a question is placed at the bottom of the issue asking what action C&S wishes to take.

The order of preference for seeking C&S approval or authorization to submit a technical position to an outside organization as a NEMA position is as follows:

1. Main agenda for a C&S meeting,
2. Supplemental agenda for a C&S meeting,
3. Walk-on agenda for a C&S meeting,
4. Officers approval of an interim action,
5. Electronic ballot to C&S and, finally,
6. Operations Department approval as an interim action.

The first three items, which provide for review and approval by the greatest number of C&S members, are the most thorough. They differ only in the amount of time available to C&S for reviewing the issue.

The main agenda is distributed to C&S members 30 days before the meeting, and PMs and IDs are requested to submit their items five days before that to allow for finalizing the agenda including editorial review.

The supplemental agenda is distributed five days before the meeting, and PMs and IDs are requested to provide their issues as early as possible.

Issues that are submitted after the supplemental agenda has been distributed but before the C&S meeting, may be placed on the agenda as a “walk-on” item. These agenda items are made available to C&S members only and may or may not be addressed by C&S depending on the time
available during the meeting or the research time needed by the C&S members.

Issues placed on the agenda as “walk-on” items and not addressed by C&S but which need to be addressed before the following C&S meeting, are addressed by the Officers as interim actions.

Items 4 and 6 above provide for interim approval only and are subject to confirmation by the entire C&S Committee at its next meeting. In the event that an interim action is not confirmed by the full C&S Committee, C&S support staff will retract the NEMA position. Officers’ approval is used when a decision is required before the next scheduled C&S meeting. The only issue that cannot be approved by the Officers are NEMA standards.

Operations Department approval is used only when there is insufficient time to send the issue to the Officers or when sufficient response from the Officers is not forthcoming. An example of the first instance is when same day approval is necessary. An example of the second instance is when four Officers need to respond, only two have responded and direction is needed in the next few hours. The Operations Department should make every effort to ensure that items are brought before C&S such that this procedure is very rarely used.

Finally, the full C&S committee can be electronically balloted for approval of a submittal from a PM or ID. This avenue is generally employed at the request of the C&S Committee or the Officers when there is a consensus that a wider review is required than can be provided solely by the Officers.

8 Recusal of C&S Members

NEMA’s Standardization Policies and Procedures (SP&P) clearly explains that members of the Codes and Standards Committee are specifically chosen for their technical expertise and are expected to represent the technical best interests of NEMA as a whole and not of particular Product Groups or members. To expect that members would recuse themselves whenever they have economic or commercial interests in a topic, could result in the Committee being less effective. Any member that has an interest in the topic being discussed would more often than not have the technical knowledge necessary to provide information needed for a C&S
decision. The concept of recusal based on economic and commercial interest is too broad. This could be interpreted differently by the members and, therefore, provide an advantage for a member that did not recuse themselves. Since balance of the committee is carefully monitored and maintained, there is no need for individuals to recuse themselves. As stated above, the members of the C&S committee are chosen for their technical knowledge which should not be lost during a technical discussion. We believe the present practice including voluntary recusal has served NEMA well.

9 Keeping NEMA Members Informed of C&S Actions

C&S support staff keeps NEMA members informed of C&S actions in a variety of ways. Once the C&S meeting dates for the year have been established, the schedule is posted to the C&S Committee Workspace on the NEMA website. Then the meeting schedule along with the due dates for submittal of items for the main agenda are distributed by email to the PMs and IDs. This information can then be shared with the members as appropriate.

Once the main agenda has been prepared by support staff, it is distributed to the C&S members and to all PMs and IDs. Again, it is available for distribution to NEMA members as appropriate.

Next, the main agenda is posted to the C&S Committee Workspace on the NEMA website. This Workspace is private, but access will be given to any NEMA member.

Once the main agenda has been distributed, support staff sends out a notice of the submittal due date for supplemental agenda items by email to the PMs and IDs. When the supplemental agenda has been finalized, it is distributed to the C&S members and to the PMs and the IDs. Again, it is available for distribution to NEMA members as appropriate. The supplemental agenda is also posted to the C&S Committee Workspace and is available to any NEMA member for download.

Once the meeting is over and the meeting minutes have been drafted and reviewed by NEMA counsel, they are distributed to the C&S members and to the PMs and IDs, who are free to forward them to NEMA members. The
minutes are also posted to the Codes and Standards Committee Workspace, where they are password protected but available to any NEMA member.

Finally, support staff reports the C&S actions directly to the submitting PM or ID who is then free to communicate the action to the appropriate NEMA members.

10 Obtaining Input on Issues from Other than the Submitting Section

Obtaining Section comments and/or recommendations on the submittal of another Section is never an easy task. Often several steps are taken, yet no feedback is forthcoming. Even so, there are processes used to at least make the attempt to gather this feedback for consideration by C&S, and those processes involve C&S support staff, the Officers, and the C&S Committee.

When a PM or an ID makes a submittal for C&S approval from a Section, support staff identifies other Sections that may have an interest in the submittal. In some cases this is straightforward. For example, a submittal from the Steel Rigid Conduit Section may be of interest to the Conduit Fittings Section. A submittal from the Disconnect Switch Product Group may be of interest to the Fuse Section. The Fuse Section is likely to be interested in a submittal from the Molded Case Breaker Product Group and vice versa. These relations are based on one of the following: the products of one Section being directly involved in the products of another Section, complementary products, or competitive products. Knowledge of these relations between Sections developed with time and experience.

For proposals or comments involving UL standards, the UL Bulletin Distribution Database can be used to identify other Sections that may be interested in a UL standard.

The process involves C&S support staff identifying the other interested Sections and requesting the PMs for those Sections to distribute the submittal to the members of the interested Section and request feedback by a specified date. There is no guarantee that the Section will respond.
It should be noted that for NEMA standards submittals, notification goes out to all PMs, and it is up to the PMs to determine if their Sections may be interested in reviewing and commenting on the submitted draft standard.

Alternatively, C&S support staff may choose to distribute the submittal using a listserv developed for this purpose. The listserv is comprised of the email addresses of all NEMA Technical Committee members. This avoids the situation where some members do not have the opportunity to review the submittal because a PM or ID did not distribute it. When a submittal is distributed in this manner, PMs and IDs are included in the distribution.

Any comments received from interested Sections are shared with the PM for the submitting Section, and it is the responsibility of that PM to work with the members of the submitting Section to develop a response to the comments.

All comments and recommendations received from other interested Sections are documented in the agenda item or the interim action for the submittal. Any rebuttals from the submitting Section are also documented for C&S.

If a submittal goes to the Officers, they may decide that there has been insufficient review by other Sections and have the issue returned to the PM of the submitting Section. If an issue goes to the full C&S Committee, the Committee may decide that there has been insufficient review by other Sections and have the issue returned to the PM of the submitting Section.

11 Information Technology and Improved C&S Operations

It has been many years since C&S went from paper agendas and minutes distributed by the U.S. Post Office to electronic mail distribution of these documents. Today, practically all information is transmitted to C&S members electronically, primarily by e-mail. Not only has this reduced the cost burden of purchasing paper, printing, copying and distribution, but it has improved service to the C&S members by providing them with information earlier, giving them more time to consider issues. In addition, it has almost entirely eliminated the need for Officers meetings. The Officers now address issues with short timelines almost exclusively using e-mail.
Electronic mail has been supplemented by the use of the Codes & Standards Committee Workspace on the NEMA website. The Workspace allows documents that could not be distributed as e-mail attachments, because of file size, to be posted on a part of the NEMA website that is password protected. File sizes greater than 10 megabytes are often rejected by email servers. As a result, support staff distributes agenda exhibits, which often exceed this size, by posting to the Workspace.

The Workspace is also used for the posting of Interim Actions by the Officers and the Operations Department. All C&S members are notified of the interim action by being blind copied on the email of the interim action to the C&S Offices. As such, any member has the ability to review the Interim Action and provide input to the Officers or support staff before a decision is made on the action.

Occasionally issues with short timelines are forwarded to the Officers, and the Officers decide that the input of the full C&S Committee is needed. In order to meet the deadline for the issue while giving all C&S members the opportunity to contribute to the decision, support staff are directed to electronically ballot the full Committee. This is easily implemented using Kavi, which is also used for balloting NEMA standards to the Sections. Support staff prepares an e-mail message with a link to a specific location on the NEMA website, which contains the description of the issue as well as any relevant exhibits. The email message is sent to all C&S members, who can click on the link, review the information provided on the issue, cast their ballot, and submits comments. Responses to the electronic ballot are automatically tallied by Kavi and available to support Staff, who reports the results to the submitter and C&S members. C&S members are required to vote on all electronic ballots issued to C&S.

12 Electronic Balloting of Sections for Approval of NEMA Standards

Electronic balloting of Sections for approval of NEMA standards using Kavi has been underway since early 2014.

The initial steps in this process remain unchanged from the pre-electronic balloting period.
1. The Standards Approval Associate (SAA) prepares the Standards Bulletin using information provided by the Program Manager.
2. The Standards Bulletin is processed for legal review and signature.
3. The SAA assigns page numbers to Standards Bulletin – maintained consecutively. For example, the ballot may be pages 110-111. The next Standards Bulletin (ballot or results) would page 112.

From this point, the process diverges from the earlier balloting process.

4. The SAA creates electronic ballot and emails the Standards Bulletin with a link to the ballot.
5. The SAA notifies the Program Managers that the ballot has been issued and is available for review by other interested Sections. The voting period is 30 working days. This voting period can be reduced if necessary for quick action, although all those submitting a vote must agree to waive their right to change their votes.
6. The SAA compiles the results of the electronic ballot, once it has closed.
   - New standards, new editions of existing standards, revisions of existing standards, reaffirmations, and rescissions require an affirmative vote from 2/3 of the votes cast (affirmative or negative).
   - Abstentions and non-returns are not considered when tabulating the ballot results for approval.
7. If the returned ballots include negatives or comments, these are forwarded to NEMA counsel for review.
8. Once counsel has signed off on the ballot results for compliance with NEMA policies and applicable laws, the SAA reports the results to the Section and the Program Manager and Industry Director.
9. The Program Manager is responsible for requesting that the standard be placed on the C&S agenda for approval based upon the criteria that the standard has been coordinated with other NEMA standards and is technically sound.
10. The Program Manager is also responsible for ensuring that the Section addresses all negatives and comments and reporting the resolution to the SAA.
11. The SAA prepares the C&S agenda item for approval by C&S.
12. The SAA reports the results of the C&S Committee deliberation to the Program Manager and to the Standards Publications Manager and requests the Program Manager to submit the standard as approved to Standards Publication Manager for publication.
13 Electronic Balloting of C&S for Approval of Fast-Tracked Standards, Etc.

Electronic balloting is not routinely used for balloting of submittals to the C&S Committee. Electronic ballot of the C&S Committee is used primarily for three situations:

1. when a standard that has been fast-tracked by a NEMA Section and a quick turnaround by the C&S Committee is requested; or
2. when an issue has a short timeline and, in the opinion of the Officers, requires greater review than can be provided solely by the Officers, or
3. when Standards action is required by the end of the year and no C&S meeting is scheduled or is canceled.

**Fast-tracked standards:** All C&S Committee members are balloted electronically and are given 10 working days to respond. A simple majority plus one is all that is required for the ballot to be considered valid. However, if a single negative vote is received, the results of the electronic ballot of the standard become null unless the C&S members can resolve the negative(s) before the close of the ballot. If the negative(s) cannot be resolved, the submittal is automatically placed on agenda for next C&S Committee meeting. In addition, a single request by a C&S member to cancel the ballot of a fast-tracked standard is all that is needed to place the submittal on the agenda for the next C&S Committee meeting.

**Submittals other than Fast-tracked standards:** All C&S Committee members are balloted electronically and are given 10 working days to respond. A simple majority plus one of the C&S members is all that is required for the ballot to be considered valid, and a majority of those responding is all that is required to approve the ballot. However, if a single request is made by a C&S member to cancel the electronic ballot, the ballot becomes null and the submittal is automatically placed on the agenda for the next C&S Committee meeting.

14 Joint Sections Committee (JSC) (see Appendix A of SP&P)
The formation of a Joint Sections Committee is initiated by two or more NEMA Sections stating that a technical issue(s) exists and requesting the C&S Committee establish a JSC so that the groups can meet together to address the issue(s).

The purpose of a Joint Sections Committee is to work towards a solution of the assigned problem or the development of the standard or the other assigned technical task, which will be mutually acceptable to the NEMA Subdivisions represented on the Joint Sections Committee. The JSC shall establish how it will determine mutually acceptable solutions.

The chairman of the C&S Committee shall appoint the chairman or co-chairs of the Joint Sections Committee.

JSC membership as proposed by the interested Sections are appointed by the C&S Committee in such a way that one Section’s position is not favored over another Section’s.

The C&S Officers with support from NEMA staff shall draft the initial scope of the JSC, which will be reviewed and modified as appropriate by the JSC. The final scope is subject to approval by the full C&S Committee.

Processing the JSC proposal shall follow the procedures described on section 7 of the Operations Guide and Appendix A of NEMA Standardization Policies and Procedures.

15 Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee is a Standing Committee of C&S Committee.

The Nominating Committee is responsible for developing recommendations to the C&S Committee each year on the C&S Committee’s membership and leadership for the following year including the C&S Officers (see 6.2.3 of SP&P).

The Nominating Committee membership including the chair shall be appointed by the chair of the Standards and Conformity Assessment Policy Committee (SCAPC) at the beginning of each calendar year prior to the first SCAPC meeting of the year(see 6.2.6 of SP&P).
During the first quarter of each year, the Nominating Committee shall, if appropriate, instruct staff to solicit NEMA Sections for the nomination of qualified individuals for future membership on the C&S Committee. The Nominating Committee shall give special emphasis to those areas where technical expertise is lacking on the C&S Committee.

The Nominating Committee shall instruct staff to survey the current C&S Committee members at the beginning of each year regarding their intent to serve on the C&S Committee the following year.

Each year in the late spring or early summer timeframe, the Nominating Committee will review the following and determine its recommendation for C&S Committee membership the following year:

- Responses to the survey of existing members relative to serving on the C&S committee the following year.
- Attendance and active participation at C&S Committee meetings of the existing members.
- Attendance and active participation at meetings of Joint Sections Committees, Subcommittees, and Task Forces of the C&S Committee of the existing members.
- Applications received from nominees for C&S Committee membership.
- Expertise of the existing members as well as nominees.

The Nominating Committee shall submit its report and recommendations to the C&S Committee at its August/September meeting. This will allow for C&S Committee consideration of the recommendations, approval and submittal of the final C&S Committee recommendations to the Standards and Conformity Assessment Policy Committee, and submittal of the C&S Committee membership to the Board of Governors for action at the NEMA Annual Member Meeting.

When vacancies arise in NEMA representation on NEC Code-Making Panels, it is the responsibility of the Subcommittee on NEMA Technical Representatives to solicit applicants from Sections and member companies. The Nominating Committee shall also aggressively encourage NEMA Program Managers to recommend qualified individuals.
The Subcommittee on NEMA Technical Representatives will in turn evaluate the volunteers as to product knowledge, field application, code participation and relationship of the NEMA Section to the particular Code-Making Panel. The Subcommittee on NEMA Technical Representatives shall report its findings to the C&S Committee in a timely period for selection of the nominee to NFPA.

16 Section Endorsement of Candidates for Technical Committees

Following is guidance with regard to Section endorsement of candidates for filling vacancies for NEMA representation on technical committees of outside organizations.

1. Section endorsement is required.

2. Endorsement by multiple Sections provides little extra benefit to a candidate and could be unfair to candidates who are members of only one Section.

3. A candidate who receives multiple Section endorsements shall select one Section whose endorsement he or she wants to report to the Codes and Standards Committee.

4. A Section can endorse more than one candidate for a vacancy in NEMA representation.

5. The Codes and Standards Committee will focus primarily on the candidate’s resume, background and experience when making a decision on endorsement of the candidate.

17 Task Force on the Field Program

The Task Force on the Field Program is a Standing Committee of C&S Committee.
The Task Force on the Field Program is responsible for directing the activities of the NEMA Field Representatives.

The Task Force on the Field Program membership, including the chairman, are appointed by the C&S Committee.

The membership of the Task Force on the Field Program consists of members of the Codes and Standards Committee as well as members representing Sections that support the Field Representative Program.

During the first quarter of each year, the Task Force on the Field Program shall instruct staff to solicit NEMA Sections for the nomination of qualified individuals for future membership on the Task Force on the Field Program. The Task Force on the Field Program will evaluate all Section nominations based on qualifications and product expertise. The Task Force on the Field Program will recommend candidates to the C&S Committee for appointment as members of the Task Force on the Field Program.

Members will act as a liaison to communicate the needs of their Sections to the Task Force on the Field Program and communicate to their Sections how the field program can be utilized to meet their needs.

18 Technical and Engineering Presentations to C&S

From time to time, groups and interests, both within and outside of NEMA, may request permission to make presentations to C&S on matters of a technical and engineering nature which are germane to the C&S Committee’s scope.

The following procedure is intended to identify the necessary steps to be followed by anyone requesting to make a presentation and to identify the criteria upon which NEMA will grant said request. This procedure may not include all of the criteria that will be applied by the Operations Department and may be supplemented as needed.

1. A request for permission to make a presentation to a scheduled meeting of the C&S Committee will be made in writing to the Secretary of the C&S Committee no later than thirty days before the
requested date of the presentation. The request will contain the reason for the request and an abstract of the presentation. An outline of the presentation, or preferably the complete text if it is available, including any essential attachments and exhibits shall be received by NEMA no later ten days prior to the presentation date. The thirty day period may be waived for urgent matters requiring immediate attention.

2. The Operations Department may seek technical assistance from staff, interested NEMA Divisions, Subdivisions, appropriate committees and Legal Counsel to assist in its determination of the appropriateness of the presentation to C&S. Presentations will be approved within fifteen days of receipt of the request only if they apply specifically to the powers and duties of C&S and are authorized by the C&S Chair.

3. Should the Operations Department grant permission for the presentation, interested parties and other materially affected interests will be notified ten days before the presentation and afforded the opportunity to present their views on the subject matter of the presentation. Representatives from interested NEMA Divisions and Subdivisions will be invited to attend the presentation to present majority/minority viewpoints. All presenters shall be registered with the Operations Department at least five days before the presentation.

The contents of the presentation shall include the following:

1. The Operations Department shall designate the specific times to be allotted for all elements of the presentation.

2. Presentations will be limited to technical, safety and applications considerations. Presentations must avoid discussion of commercial matters such as price, terms of sale, warranties, etc.

3. Presentations will not denigrate a NEMA product.

4. Should an interested NEMA Division or Subdivision wish to respond to the presentation (whether to endorse or dispute), a representative of the Division/Subdivision will be allotted equal time for his/her presentation.
5. C&S will allot specific time for questions and answers period, if necessary.

6. Any representative of an outside group or interest shall limit his/her discussions at the C&S meeting to the specific topic of the presentation and will not participate in any other discussions or deliberations of C&S unless invited to do so.

7. Any representative of an outside group will be permitted to attend the C&S meeting only for the duration of the presentation(s) and any question and answer period.

Upon conclusion of the presentation, the presenter may be excused. Any action in response to the presentation will be determined and voted upon by C&S in accordance with the NEMA Policies and Procedures. The presenting organization and interested NEMA Divisions/Subdivisions will be informed in writing of any C&S action in this regards within ten working days of the meeting.
Respectfully submitted,

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