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Ballot FDIS 127006: Information technology -- Security techniques --
Requirements for the accreditation of bodies providing certification of
information security management systems

Attachments: N5299_DispComm_FCD_27006_N5098.pdf;
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Subject: The US National Body votes to Approve ISO/IEC Final DIS 27006 --
Information technology -- Security techniques -- Requirements for the accreditation
of bodies providing certification of information security management systems

Statement: In order to meet the international deadline for the ballot of FDIS
27006, INCITS CS1 has been authorized by the INCITS Secretariat to issue an
accelerated 19-day letter ballot. Please note that this ballot closes at midnight
EST November 20, 2006.

FDIS 27006 (N5298) is attached, along with the Disposition of Comments (N5299).

Background: Please recall that Eva Kuiper, US HOD at the September 25-26,
2006 editing session in Montreal which produced FDIS 27006, reported at the Atlanta
CS1 meeting that the US comments were all taken into consideration and resolved to
her satisfaction, and that she voted approval of the Disposition of Comments, which
thereby set the stage for the final text of FDIS 27006.

The FDIS is now out of the hands of the editor and at ITTF. That means essentially
that nothing but minor corrections, in the eyes of the ITTF, can be made to the
document. No editorial or technical changes can be considered, according to JTC 1
directives.

Although the 2-month FDIS ballot has not yet commenced, I attempted to get ahead of
the time constraints by running the straw poll to determine if there was any CS1
member feedback counter to my intention of putting this out for an accelerated
Letter Ballot for Approval, based on the results of the Montreal meeting.

However, two CS1 members found both editorial and technical problems with the FDIS
text. That is why I have not sent you anything on this since the straw poll closed
on Monday.

I believe the problems arose because the document was (1) rushed too fast to be
published by year end, and (2) not all of the comments resulted in final text that
everyone saw and agreed to before the Montreal meeting closed. The editor was to
re-craft certain portions of the text after the meeting. [As an aside, the lesson to be learned is that when
participating in an editing session to progress from FCD to FDIS, all revisions must
be stated in terms of absolute, exact text replacement for the editor to do in all instances. There "shall" be NO issues agreed
sight unseen', i.e. for the editor to re-craft the text after the editing session is
concluded.]

There have been email exchanges between me, Eva Kuiper, and the two members who
raised issues.

At a teleconference call this morning with the concerned parties, it was resolved that the issues were not such that the US should delay publication of the standard, and that the US should vote YES to approve the FDIS.

The plan of action is to conduct this LB for Approval, while at the same time coming up with a comment template of all editorial and technical problems, along with fixes. That comment table will be delivered by me in hardcopy to the editor of 27006 and to the WG1 Convener during the South Africa meetings. I will be telling them that '...in the rush to get the standard published as quickly as possible, technical and editorial issues have arisen with the FDIS since the Montreal meeting. The US does not wish to hold up publication of the standard, and will be voting YES to approve it. But soon after publication, the US will be submitting defect reports that will cover the stated problems with the standard.'

That brings you up to today's accelerated letter ballot. It is essential that all CS1 members vote-a 2/3 vote is necessary for the ballot to pass.

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Does CS1 recommend that the US NB approve FDIS 27006?

YES _____ NO _____ ABSTAIN _____

Comments: _____

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Organization Represented: _____

Principal: _____ Alternate: _____

Date: _____

Recall that if you vote NO or ABSTAIN, you are required to provide comments (in the case of a NO, please indicate, if applicable, what changes in the proposed would permit you to vote YES).

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