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Secretariat of ISO/TC 176/SC 2

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**To the Members of
ISO/TC 176/SC 2 -
Quality Management and
Quality Assurance/
Quality Systems**

Oil and Gas Sector supplement to ISO 9000

We have received notification that the American Petroleum Institute (API) is considering the development of a sector-specific supplement to ISO 9001:2000 for the oil and gas industry. It is intended that this will be developed through ISO/TC 67 for API and ISO adoption.

The API has now issued an invitation to interested parties outside the USA in order to provide for participation ahead of the ISO formalities. A first meeting of the "Task Group on Q1 Improvement" will be held in Houston on:

14th March 2002

The invitation is as follows:

"As part of the API process to propose Part 1 of API Specification Q1 as a potential ISO TC67 NWI, the subcommittee responsible for maintaining Q1 is forming a "Task Group on Q1 Improvement" that will make recommendations to update the current API Spec Q1. The NWI will propose that the API TG will work through the existing ISO working group (ISO/TC67/WG2) to achieve a final product for both ISO and API.

It is API's desire to ensure international participation on the TG from the start, and you are being asked to consider if you or a person of your designation would like to participate on the TG at this time. API has appointed Ken Peurifoy as the Chairman of the API TG and he has tentatively selected March 14 as the date for the kick-off meeting. This will take place in Houston, at the ExxonMobil facility in Greenspoint, near Intercontinental Airport.

We realize this is quite short notice for the meeting and you may or may not be able to make arrangements to attend this meeting, but we wanted to give you the opportunity to participate if you are available. If you are interested, please contact Ken Peurifoy (ckpeurif@flash.net) for further information.

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Please contact the API as advised, if you are interested in this work.

ISO/TC 176, and SC 2, will need to develop an active liaison relationship on this matter, in order to fulfil the requirements of clause 6.8 in the ISO/IEC Directives Part2.

Yours sincerely

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