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## Public Review Process
and its impact on Sponsor Ballot Cycle

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# Policy Change:  Public Review

- SASB Approved June 2013:  A public review shall start simultaneously with the opening of the initial ballot and last for ~~65~~ 60 days by ~~April 1, 2015~~ July 6, 2015
- Individuals may purchase the <u>initial ballot draft</u> for information only, & have the ability to submit public review comments, without a vote
- Goals:
  - Better aligned with the World Trade Organization (WTO) Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) principles
  - Better positioning as a global SDO
  - Engage a broader community
  - Supports OpenStand principles (open process)
- Completed activities:  P&Ps, Functional Spec Development, Technical Spec Development
- Activities in-progress
  - Tool Development and Testing
  - Messaging and Communication
  - Training and FAQs

# Cycle Time Comparison

- Public Review Cycle

  - Starts at opening of Initial Sponsor Ballot
  - Lasts for ~~65~~ 60 days
  - All comments must be considered
  - Comments/Commenters do not represent "Votes"
- Minimum Sponsor Ballot Cycle

  - 30 Days for voting,
  - 40 days advance submittal RevCom pkg in advance of mtg
  - (Usually MUCH more, recircs, comment resolution, editing etc.)
  - 10 day late recirc. results deadline
- Problem Area

  - RevCom submittal/oversight procedure not defined/public yet

  - Looks like Public Review comments & responses MAY be submitted at the 10 day pre-RevCom deadline.

# Revcom Issue/Problem

- Presumably RevCom will audit/require report of Public Review process and results

    - Timing of submittal of PR material to Revcom is critical
    - Requirements have not yet been set
      (at least not publicly)
    - Submit with RevCom Submittal Package = BAD
    - Allowed late submittal (like Recir results) = GOOD
    - Late submittal will preclude any problems in the real world. ~~There could be a delay caused in the most extreme (and unrealistic) best case ballot scenario.~~

# Public Review, what is it? NEW SLIDE

- Parallel to Sponsor Ballot "Opportunity to Comment"

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- Comment Processing Requirements

  - All comments must be considered and responses written

  - RevCom will audit that the above takes place
    (ergo, it must happen before RevCom submittal)

  - If draft changes "as a result of the comment" the commenter
    gets a copy of the response and a copy of the revised draft

- Problem Area

  - Pubic Review comments are entered in a new/different system

  - Being used as test bed for myBallot replacement system

  - DB format compatibility issues.

  - Staff has "volunteered" to move data between systems

# Public Review, IMPACT?  <span style="color:green">NEW SLIDE</span>

## THE GOOD NEWS

The liklihood of any significant number of comments is **exceedingly low** based on our experience with Rogue Comments and Sponsor Ballot cycle comments from JTC1.

## The Bad News

The incompatibilities with existing systems makes processing comments a huge PITA.

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