



To: Authority Having Jurisdiction

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Subject: ANSI / IKECA Consensus Body – Invitation to Join

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Greetings!

As a valued ally of the International Kitchen Exhaust Cleaning Association (IKECA), you may be aware of the work of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Consensus Body. The mission of the ANSI Consensus Body is to develop voluntary consensus standards for the cleaning, inspection, operation and maintenance of commercial kitchen exhaust systems for the purpose of protecting life and property from fire. To date, our consensus body has developed cleaning and inspection standards, and our new maintenance standard will be approved and published in 2019.

At this time, we seek to expand the membership of our ANSI Consensus Body, and ask you to join our group. Our diverse group of subject matter experts (to include fire analysis and safety experts; contractors from the kitchen exhaust cleaning, HVAC and fire suppression sectors; and members of the design, manufacturing and food service industries) meets in person semi-annually (as a part of IKECA's meetings in spring and fall), and conducts business by teleconference 1-2 times a year in between IKECA's meetings. The time commitment for participation is quite minimal, but the impact you would have on helping shape the future of the fire prevention and life safety vis-à-vis the kitchen exhaust cleaning industry would be substantial. Serving on our ANSI Consensus Body carries with it the additional benefit of regular interaction with experts who can help you keep your jurisdictions in full compliance with the latest standards.

[Please click here](#) to find a simple application, which you are welcome to return at your convenience. For more information, please visit www.ikeca.org/standards/ansi-consensus-body/. Should you have questions or require additional information, please contact IKECA's Executive Director John Dixon at 215-320-3711 or by email at jdixon@fernley.com. He will be happy to put you in touch with us directly to address whatever you might need to send us an application for membership.