

Lyle Bowman's Facilitator Report to B-10
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About 60 hours have been spent on various assignments since the June 27, 2016 Meeting.

These efforts included ongoing development of three new test methods, preparation of two D4485 D02 ballot items and ten D02 ballot items from approved Information Letters.

While nine of the D02 ballot items were approved with minor comments, three of them received negative votes.

The standardized TMC Introduction was mistakenly inserted in the D7528 (ROBO) D02 ballot item. The approved ROBO information letter, that was the basis for the ballot item, contained an edited version of the Introduction. As a consequence, the ROBO Surveillance Panel Chairman, Alan Flamberg, voted negative on that ballot item.

Two D4485 D02 ballot items received negative votes by Laura Birnbaumer. Her comments and revision suggestions were primarily about words or phrases left out of the two ballot items. Unfortunately, these were not previously noted at the subcommittee balloting level.

The above three negative votes are 'action' items to be handled, presumably, at the Subcommittee B Meeting later this week.

A review of the TMC website Chain Wear test correspondence indicated that suitable precision information is not yet available. The ASTM version of this test method is essentially complete except for that.

A similar review of the VH meeting minutes revealed that the test method is still being 'fine-tuned' and precision determination awaits resolution. The ASTM version of this test method likely needs some minor revision in addition to inclusion of the essential precision data.

Development of the ASTM version of the LSPI (Low Speed Preignition) test method has not progressed appreciably.

Respectfully submitted,
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