

**National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act
Office of Management and Budget Report for FY 2018
Questions and Responses**

Question 1:

Please provide a summary of your agency's activities undertaken to carry out the provisions of OMB Circular A-119, "Federal Participation in the Development and Use of Voluntary Consensus Standards and in Conformity Assessment Activities" and the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act (NTTAA). The summary should contain a link to the agency's standards-specific website(s) where information about your agency's standards and conformity assessment related activities are available.

Response:

As in previous reporting years, the Department of Energy (DOE) relies heavily on voluntary consensus standards (VCSs) to fulfill its mission and has a long history of working with the VCS community to develop standards that help DOE achieve its missions. DOE supports federal and contractor participation on appropriate VCS committees and writing bodies and tracks participation. Appropriate VCSs are referenced or invoked in our directives or contracts to meet our specific requirements.

The DOE Technical Standards Program has a detailed set of procedures which include the requirement to perform a mandatory search for existing VCSs prior to initiating a DOE Standard development or revision project. The Department has a robust project justification process which demands that a potential DOE Standard developer perform searches for existing VCSs and document not only the results of those searches, but also the methods used to perform the searches.

DOE does not have a conformity assessment program, and therefore does not track conformity assessment activities regarding VCSs.

DOE Technical Standards Program Internet Link

<https://www.standards.doe.gov/>

Question 2:

Please list the government-unique standards your agency used in lieu of voluntary consensus standards during FY 2018.

Response:

The Department of Energy did not use any government-unique standards in lieu of applicable voluntary consensus standards in FY 2018.

Questions 3 - 10 have been rescinded as per the most recent revision of OMB Circular A-119, “Federal Participation in the Development and Use of Voluntary Consensus Standards and in Conformity Assessment Activities”. Please note that because of the manner in which the reporting tool application is designed, the rescinded questions are still included in the report.

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