



STANDARDS NEW ACTIVITY REPORT FORM (SNARF)

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Revised (if Applicable):

SNARF for: New Standard, Test Method for the Determination of Metallic Elements Present on Wetted Surfaces of Ultra High Purity Gas Delivery Components and Plumbing Systems

Originating Global Technical Committee: Gases

Originating TC Chapter: North America

Task Force (TF) in which work is to be carried out: Filters & Purifiers

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Refer to *Procedure Manual* § 2.2.4.2 for more information on properly filling out the SNARF.

1. Rationale:

a: Describe the need or problem addressed by this activity.

As the industry becomes more sensitive to residual contamination levels on gas delivery systems, a need has developed for a more sensitive trace element test standard (using ICP-MS analytic tools) for determining amounts of trace element/metal contamination.

A trace metals contamination test method for gas delivery systems or components for the Semiconductor Industry does not exist.

Existing test methods (EDS< ESCA, Etc.) do not have the necessary sensitivity.

This activity is to convert a draft test method developed by the SCIS Gas Delivery group into a published SEMI Standard.

b: Estimate effect on industry.

Check one of the following:

- 1: Major effect on entire industry or on multiple important industry sectors - identify the relevant sectors
- 2: Major effect on an industry sector - identify the relevant sector (substrate processing: deposition, etch)
- 3: Major effect on a few companies - identify the relevant companies
- 4: Slight effect or effect not determinable

c: Estimate technical difficulty of the activity.

Check one of the following:

- I: No Difficulty – Proven concepts and techniques exist or quick agreement is anticipated
- II: Some Difficulty – Disagreements on known requirements exist, but developing consensus is possible
- III: Difficult – Limited expertise and resources exist and/or achieving consensus is difficult
- IV: Extremely Difficult – Expertise and resources are scarce and/or achieving consensus is very difficult

2. Scope:

a: Describe the technical areas to be covered or addressed by this Document development activity. For Subordinate Standards, list common concepts or criteria that the Subordinate Standard inherits from the Primary Standard, as well as differences from the Primary Standard:

The proposed test method will provide a repeatable procedure to extract and measure trace/metallic elements present on the wetted surfaces. The test method is specifically written for Inductively Coupled Plasma – Mass Spectroscopy (ICP-MS) analytic equipment.

This test method will focus on components and plumbing systems typically used for gas delivery systems. Examples of components include valves, regulators, filters, and mass flow controllers. Examples of plumbing systems include tubing, weld fittings, and face seal fittings.

Acceptable metallic contamination levels will be dictated by process sensitivity or other applicable industry specifications.

This test method will differentiate from other existing (and less sensitive) test methods.

Once this standard is developed, it should be tied into F19, Table 1

b: Expected result of activity

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| <input type="checkbox"/> New Subordinate Standard to an existing Standard or to a new Primary Standard to be developed concurrently with this new Subordinate Standard | <input type="checkbox"/> Removal of a Standard or Safety Guideline |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Preliminary Standard | <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawal of a Standard or Safety Guideline |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision to an existing Standard or Safety Guideline | <input type="checkbox"/> Reinstatement of a Standard or Safety Guideline |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Line-item revision to an existing Standard or Safety Guideline | <input type="checkbox"/> New Auxiliary Information |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Line-item revision to two or more existing Standards or Safety Guidelines | <input type="checkbox"/> Modification of existing Auxiliary Information |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Publication of an existing Standard or Safety Guideline as an American National Standard |

For a new Subordinate Standard, identify the Primary Standard here:

For revision of existing Standard(s) or Safety Guideline(s), identify the Standard(s) or Safety Guideline(s) that are to be revised here: _____, and identify which parts of the Standard(s) or Safety Guideline(s) that are to be revised. (Check all that apply.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Modification of an existing part of Standard(s) or Safety Guideline(s) including Appendices, Complementary Files, and Supplementary Materials |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addition of one or more Appendices or Complementary Files to an existing Standard or Safety Guideline |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addition of one or more Related Information sections or Various Materials to an existing Standard or Safety Guideline |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Revision or addition of one or more Subordinate Standards to an existing Primary Standard |
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For Standards, identify the Standard Subtype below:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Classification | <input type="checkbox"/> Guide |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Practice | <input type="checkbox"/> Specification |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Test Method | <input type="checkbox"/> Terminology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Miscellaneous (describe below) | |
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3. Projected Timetable for Completion:

a: General Milestones

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| a. Activity Start: 7/10/17 | b. 1 st Draft by: 11/6/17 |
| c. (Optional) Informational Ballot by: | d. Letter Ballot by: |
| e. TC Chapter Approval By: SEMICON West 2018 | |

4. Liaisons with other Global Technical Committees/TC Chapters/Subcommittees/TFs:

a: List global technical committees, TC Chapters, subcommittees, or task forces in your or other Regions/Locales that should be kept informed regarding the progress of this activity. (Refer to SEMI Standards organization charts and global technical committee charters as needed.)

b: Intercommittee Ballots (check one):

- will be issued – identify the recipient global technical committee(s): [Facilities, Gases](#)
- will not be issued
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5. Safety Considerations:

The resulting Document is expected (Check one):

- to be a Safety Guideline
- NOT to be a Safety Guideline

NOTE FOR 'to be a Safety Guideline': When all safety-related information is removed from the Document, the Document is NOT technically sound and complete – Refer to § 15.1 of the *Regulations* for special procedures to be followed.

NOTE FOR 'NOT to be a Safety Guideline': When all safety-related information is removed from the Document, the Document is still technically sound and complete.

6. Intellectual Property Considerations:

a: For a new Standard or Safety Guideline and for any part to be modified or added in a Revision of published Standards and Safety Guidelines:

- the use of patented technology is NOT required.
- patented technology is intended to be included in the proposed Standard(s) or Safety Guideline(s).

(If the second box is checked, check one):

- Letter of Intent received
- Letter of Intent not received

b: For Revision, Reapproval, Reinstatement, or Withdrawal of existing Standard(s) and Safety Guideline(s):

- there is no known material patented technology necessary to use or implement the Standard(s) and Safety Guideline(s)

- there is previously known material patented technology necessary to use or implement the Standard(s) and Safety Guideline(s)

c: The body of the Document and any Appendices, Complementary Files, Related Information sections, or Various Materials that may or may not be a part of the Document by reference (Check one):

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7. Comments, Special Circumstances:

8. TC Member Review (Check one):

- took place between (*put dates here: MM/DD/YYYY and MM/DD/YYYY*) before approval at the TC Chapter Meeting, or
 took place between (*put dates here: MM/DD/YYYY and MM/DD/YYYY*) before approval by the GCS, or
 is not required for this SNARF.

NOTE FOR 'TC Member Review': A TC Member Review is required by the *Regulations* for a period of at least two weeks before approval of a new, or a major revision of an existing, Standard or Safety Guideline. (See *Regulations* ¶ 8.2.1)

9. Approval Dates:

TC Chapter or GCS:

Recorded in TC Chapter Minutes:

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