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CERTIFICATION TO STANDARDS RELATING TO EQUIPMENT FOR USE IN
EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERES (IECEx SYSTEM)**

Circulation: IECEx Management Committee (ExMC)

**Title: Proposal from US – Authority Matrix for Decisions by the IECEx
Executive**

INTRODUCTION

The attached proposal from the USNC/IECEx relates to consideration of an Authority Matrix for the IECEx Executive and is presented for discussion and consideration during the 2015 ExMC Christchurch meeting.

Members are requested to consider the proposal ahead of the ExMC meeting.

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Subject: USNC/IECEX Proposal for Christchurch ExMC Agenda - *Authority Matrix for Decisions by the IECEx Executive*

Dear Mr. Agius:

Background: The USNC/IECEX has observed a variety of decisions made by the IECEx Executive, seemingly for expediency.

There were documents ExMC/872/DV and ExMC/791/CD, and 12.4 of document ExMC/902A/RM relating to executive decisions, but the USNC/IECEX is not aware of further actions.

While the USNC/IECEX did not fully support the specific content of ExMC/791/CD, the USNC/IECEX still feels strongly about this item.

Question: Should IECEx 01, *IEC System for Certification to Standards relating to Equipment for use in Explosive Atmospheres (IECEX System) - Basic Rules*, be updated to specify the types of decisions that can be delegated by ExMC to the IECEx Executive, and create an authority matrix for decisions that can be made solely by the IECEx Executive?

Answer: Yes, this is required to maintain the integrity of the scheme. Recommend referring to ExMC WG 01 the task of creating an authority matrix for decisions that can be made solely by the IECEx Executive, with a goal of receiving a draft for comment prior to the next meeting.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Joel Solis, Secretary
USNC/IECEX