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

**TITLE:**  **Compilation of comments and observations on ExTAG/498/CD Draft ExTAG Decision Sheet – QARs for equipment covered by standards other than those for specific Types of Protection.**

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**INTRODUCTION**

This document is a compilation of comments from ExTAG members, as well as observations from the originator, FME, on ExTAG/498/CD Draft ExTAG Decision Sheet – QARs for equipment covered by standards other than those for specific Types of Protection.

As a result of comments received being positive **Decision Sheet DS 2018/001** has now been published and posted to the IECEx Web Site.

***Please inform the Secretariat immediately of any omissions or errors at-***

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| **ExCB/**  **ExTL** | **Clause/ Sub-clause** | **Paragraph Figure/**  **Table** | **Type of**  **comment**  **General/**  **technical/**  **editorial** | **COMMENTS** | **Proposed change** | **Observation**  **(to be completed by the originator)** |
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| CNEX-Global BV  NL | - | - | g | We accept this draft DS |  | Noted |
| DEKRA Certification B.V.  NL |  |  |  | Agree with DS | None. | Noted |
| ExA  HR |  |  |  | Ex-Agencija support Draft ExTAG Decision Sheet with no further comment |  | Noted |
| ExTC  AU |  |  | General | ExTC supports the DS without further comment |  | Noted |
| FMG  US |  |  | ge | FMG Supports the Decision Sheet |  | Noted |
| KIWA  NL |  |  | G | Kiwa has no comments |  | Noted |
| NANIO CCVE  ExCB/ExTL  RU |  |  |  | We support ExTAG/498/CD without comments |  | Noted |
| NEPSI  CN |  |  | G | The draft DS raised a good point. But it is recommended not to issue a decision sheet, instead to revise and supplement the relevant operational documents ( e.g. OD 009) by ExTAG. |  | Following the IECEx ExMC WG01 meeting in Weimar, Germany it was agreed that ExTAG Decision Sheets can be used for clarification on IECEx procedures. |
| TIIS  JP |  |  | Ge | TIIS supports the draft DS. |  | Noted |
| UL  BR |  |  | General | ULBR supports this document with some minor revisions. | It needs to be made clear that when it is stated “QAR” throughout the DS it means “on-line QAR” or “QAR summary”. | Accept |
| UL-  USA |  |  | editorial | We agree with the decision sheet. | Please change “QAR form” to “QAR Summary”, and ensure consistent use of “QAR” vs “QAR Summary”. | See comment for UL BR |
| ULDEMKO  DK |  |  | General | ULD supports this document with some minor revisions. | It needs to be made clear that when it is stated “QAR” throughout the DS it means “on-line QAR” or “QAR summary”. | See comment for UL BR |
| SGS  BASEEFA |  |  | General | SGS Baseefa supports the draft DS as written. |  | Noted |