



Heads Up

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To: ANAB-Accredited and Applicant CBs and Accreditation Assessors

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Re: New Program for IECQ HSPM

ANAB is pleased to announce a new program for ANAB accreditation and IECQ approval of certification bodies (CBs) for Hazardous Substance Process Management (IECQ HSPM). In January 2009 in Heads Up 143, ANAB announced a prototyping program; now I am pleased to announce the full program.

The details of the ANAB program are in ANAB Accreditation Rule 35, which will be implemented 2010/01/01.

ANAB considers this new program a holistic complement to R2 and e-Stewards. Whereas R2 and e-Stewards are both related to recycling of electronics for the protection of human health and the environment, the IECQ HSPM program is upstream for the effective management of hazardous substances in electronics during design and manufacturing.