Plastics Task Group on Transition Fittings Draft Teleconference Summary February 27, 2008

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A. Ciechanowski reminded the group of the charge of the task group and began the discussion with his issue paper presented at the 2007 JC meeting.

Action Items:

 Ciechanowski will draft up language for the task group to review including examples of transition fittings and how they will appear in the listing.

Discussion:

The group agreed on three issues:

- A. Dimensionally the transition fitting must meet the standard requirements at both ends.
- B. The transition fitting must meet material requirements for applicable material only.
- C. The transition fitting must meet the less stringent requirements for performance based on the material in the fitting.

The discussion revolved around the fittings that are CPVC at one end and PEX at the other end. The group agreed that A. Ciechanowski would provide an example of this type of fitting along with a metal/metal transition fitting showing how it would appear in the listing.

Two other issues were discussed. One member wondered how the lab applies testing to each end of the transition fitting and the response was that the labs have procedures such that each end is tested only to the applicable items in the standard. The other issue was threaded fittings. The group agreed this is covered in other sections of the standard.

The listing changes will be covered in a separate ballot to revise the NSF policy pertaining to transition fittings.