

Report and Recommendations Membership Committee

To: A117.1 Committee
From: Kevin Brinkman, Chair

Date: January 13, 2014

The Membership Committee met via telephone on January 10, 2014, to discuss a new membership application. The application is for the Professional category. The application is from CSI (Construction Specifications Institute). (A second individual application was withdrawn).

The Membership Committee's recommendation for CSI is to not recommend membership. The Membership Committee felt that CSI is not really involved in the development of standards, but more in the technical specification of products. The Producer/Distributor members already bring an extensive knowledge of the products to the A117 Committee. While the Membership Committee felt that CSI was very knowledgeable, it believed that other groups already brought more extensive knowledge of accessibility issues to the A117 Committee.

The Membership Committee also discussed the membership status of two members. USDA has voluntarily resigned from the committee indicating they are no longer able to support participation. Montgomery County did not participate in a meeting or return a ballot in 2013. Efforts to contact them about their status were not answered; therefore, the Membership Committee recommends that Montgomery County's membership be terminated.