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Industry Canada

**VIA EMAIL**

Re: ACTA Inquiry on Electronic Labeling for Part 68 Equipment

Mr. Nixon:

During the last meeting of the ACTA Executive Committee, on July 9<sup>th</sup>, the committee discussed the FCC's Knowledge Database (KDB 784748) and Industry Canada's (2004-DRS1003) guidance on Electronic Labeling. During this discussion, the committee participants noted that, because TIA-168-B (Telephone Terminal Equipment Labeling Requirements) only addresses physical labeling, there is uncertainty regarding how this regulatory guidance can/should be applied to Part 68 registered equipment. Therefore, the ACTA kindly requests the following information regarding TR 41.9's plans to update TIA-168-B:

- Is TR 41.9 is currently considering a revision to TIA-168-B to address electronic labeling?
- If TR 41.9 is currently considering this topic, what engagement (if any) is being undertaken with the FCC?
- If TR 41.9 is not currently considering this topic, are there plans to address the topic in the future?

Please note that the ACTA is aware that currently HAC labeling has not yet been approved by the FCC for electronic marking and the scope of the above questions are intended to address Part 68 registration marking only.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact the ACTA Secretariat, Kerri Conn ([kconn@atis.org](mailto:kconn@atis.org); 202-434-8841).

Sincerely,

Scott Lambert  
ACTA Chair

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To: Scott Lambert  
ACTA Chair

Re: ACTA Inquiry on Electronic Labeling for Part 68 Equipment

Dear Mr. Lambert,

TR41.9 is currently working on an updated version of TIA-168-B, to be published as TIA-168-C. This version will contain provisions to allow for e-labeling. A ballot was conducted on the revised version and passed successfully with some comments.

TR41.9 will be addressing these comments in the upcoming meeting on August 7<sup>th</sup> in Ottawa, Canada. The initial ballot version of TIA-168-C was based on the guidance already published by Industry Canada in Notice 2014-DRS1003; however, it has come to the committee's attention that there could be some contradictory issues with the latest FCC guidance. TR41.9 has consulted with Brian Scarpelli, Director – Legislative and Government Affairs at TIA, regarding the process as he is closely involved with the FCC regarding e-labeling.

TR41.9 anticipates that TIA-168-C will be published in early fall of 2015 and following publication a notification will be sent to ACTA for adoption.

Finally, you are correct that TIA-168-C will not address the current HAC labeling requirements as it has not been approved by the FCC for electronic marking.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jason Nixon", is written over a horizontal line.

Jason Nixon  
Interim Chair, TIA TR-41.9

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