Meeting Log

Subject: American National Standard for Aboveground /Onground Residential Pool Meeting

Meeting Date: November 21, 2023

Location: Webex meeting

Meeting Attendees: Ken Gregory, Pentair Rich Anderson, ICC Steve Barnes, PHTA staff Genevieve Lynn, PHTA staff Matthew Walen, Intex Corporation

See ANSI for a complete list of meeting attendees.

CPSC Staff attendees:

Susan Bathalon, EXHR

Date of Meeting Log: November 28, 2023

Meeting Summary:

There was a welcome and roll call of the participants. A quorum was established with the Standard Writing Committee (SWC) voting members. The PHTA Antitrust policy and the Volunteer Code of Conduct was reviewed. The December 1, 2022 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

From 2022 to 2023, the SWC of PHTA-4 reviewed the entire standard and currently, there is a red-line revision, which is being reviewed by the ANSI/PHTA Technical Writing Committee (TWC) for consistency with other residential standards and the International Swimming Pool and Spa Codes (ISPSC).

A recent ANSI/PHTA – 4 change request from Alan Korn of Abby's Hope, who requested elimination of gaps between the horizontal structural band surrounding the external pool liner and the vertical support structures. The SWC noted some of these horizontal bands in smaller portable ASTM Aboveground Pools. A photo of the horizonal band on a smaller portable pool was shown. There was discussion that the band can be horizontal or partially horizontal and could be a hand or foot hold for climbing the external wall of the above ground pool. It was unknown if these support structures are used in the larger ANSI Aboveground Pools.

There was discussion that the change request was based on the 2011 version of the standard because the redline version was not available to the commentor. Specifically, red line revisions include updates in both Section 7.2.3.4 Solid Barrier Surfaces and Section 7.2.3.14- Pool Walls as a Barrier. There was a motion to reach out to the commentor and ask for clarification of the change request to the standard and to provide an explanation of the redline changes.

There will be several reference pool barrier documents provided to the SWC participants, including the ISPSC code and the CPSC Barrier Safety Publication. The SWC participants were asked to review those references together with the comment.

Next Steps:

The SWC participants will review the pool barrier reference documents. There will be a doodle poll with the next meeting expected in Mid- December 2023.