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Dear PASC and PAC members,

As host of the 36th Pacific Area Standards Congress, PASC, and the 20th meeting of the Pacific Accreditation Cooperation, it is ANSI's pleasure to invite members of both organizations to the first ever co-located meeting of both specialist regional bodies. The meetings, along with a joint workshop, will take place from May 18-25, 2013 in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA.

Knowing how wide ranging the geography is as is regards the membership of PAC and PASC, we know you will agree that Hawaii is centrally located for the convenience of all the members of both organizations. Honolulu is situated on Oahu, one of five main islands in the Hawaiian Island chain. Honolulu is an exciting and easily accessible city. Of course, the scenic beauty of Hawaii is all around you. We hope you take some time to enjoy the rich variety of sights and activities the islands provide. And in view of our meeting location and in the long tradition of PASC, we invite all participants in both PAC and PASC to follow a **smart casual dress** recommendation (no ties for the gentlemen) for both the meetings and the social functions.

To assist in the registration and hotel reservation process, ANSI has developed a separate website that contains all applicable information, including information on how to apply for a US visa (if needed). The website is located at <http://pasc-pac-2013.com/>. All registrations are to be completed through this website, as well as your hotel reservations. If you have any problems with the website's functions, or need additional assistance regarding receiving a visa invitation letter from ANSI, please e-mail pasc-pac-2013@ansi.org. The deadline for registering for the meeting(s) and reserving your hotel room is April 26, 2013.

It is an honor for ANSI to be hosting both PASC and PAC in Honolulu. I look forward to meeting you all soon.

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