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Foreword (This Foreword is not a part of American National Standard Z690.1-2011.)

This standard was developed by an American National Standards Committee, national in scope, functioning under the Essential Requirements Document of the American National Standards Institute with the American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) as Secretariat. This standard provides vocabulary for risk management principles and guidelines

It is intended that the procedures and performance requirements detailed herein will be adopted by every employer whose operations fall within the scope and purpose of the standard.

Neither the standards committee, nor the secretariat, feel that this standard is perfect or in its ultimate form. It is recognized that new developments are to be expected, and that revisions of the standard will be necessary as the art progresses and further experience is gained. It is felt, however, that uniform requirements are very much needed and that the standard in its present form provides for the minimum vocabulary guidance necessary in developing and implementing risk management programs.

This standard is adopted from ISO Guide 73:2009, an international standard also titled "Risk Management – Vocabulary". This document was approved as an international standard on November 15, 2009. In addition to ISO Guide 73:2009 there are also two other documents addressing risk management and risk assessment being adopted as American National Standards:

ISO Guide 31000:2009, *Risk Management – Principles and Guidelines*

IEC/ISO 31010:2009, *Risk Management – Risk Assessment Techniques*

During May 2010 the United States TAG (Technical Advisory Group) to ANSI for risk management reached consensus that these three documents should be adopted as American National Standards. Due to the ongoing significant interest being focused on risk management at the international level, additional consensus was reached that there should also be a committee looking at risk management standards for the United States. Such a committee would function under accreditation of ASSE as a standards developing organization (SDO).

ASSE applied for additional accreditation as a Standards Developing Organization, which was approved by ANSI during August of 2010. ASSE notified the public during August 2010 of its intention to adopt all three documents as American National Standards. This original announcement was made without the submission of any negative comments. Public review of the subject documents was then conducted during November 2010. There were no negative comments submitted to ASSE as the secretariat. All committee votes for adoption were positive without any submitted negative comments.

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