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To: Textron Aviation Production Suppliers

Subject: Changes to AS6279

This is a communication from the SAE Committee with regards to changes to AS6279, Standard Practice for Production, Distribution, and Procurement of Metal Stock that will affect companies that use titanium (Ti) material for production.

Changes to the specification requires Producers, Distributors, and Purchasers of metal stock titanium material' will hold significant responsibilities to ensure material is well-documented and remains traceable throughout the alteration process. The main theme of the specification change is that whoever alters the mechanical properties of the material will not be held responsible for producing a new certification for the material.

At this point AS6279, Standard Practice for Production, Distribution, and Procurement of Metal Stock, was published January-2014. It will become effective in October-2015 for AMS4905, 4911, 4918, 4928, 4965, 4967, 4971, 4975, 4976, 4978, 4979, 4981, 4988, 6905, 6930, 6931. Other titanium wrought metal product specs will follow, and potentially some of the Corrosion and Heat-Resisting products as well as other metal types.

An introduction training presentation for AS6279 is available (free-of-charge) for download at the following publically-accessible URL:

<http://www.sae.org/servlets/works/committeeHome.do?comtID=TEAAMSMGC>

Look for:

- * AMS Training AS6279 Part 1
- * AMS Training AS6279 Part 2

The PowerPoint presentation can be viewed in Slideshow format (animation & audio) or in Notes Page format (slide & text). Be sure to download both 2 files (Part 1 and Part 2) to get all 24 pages if the training information.

These changes are relevant to all stakeholders, both internal and throughout the supply chain and stakeholders need to:

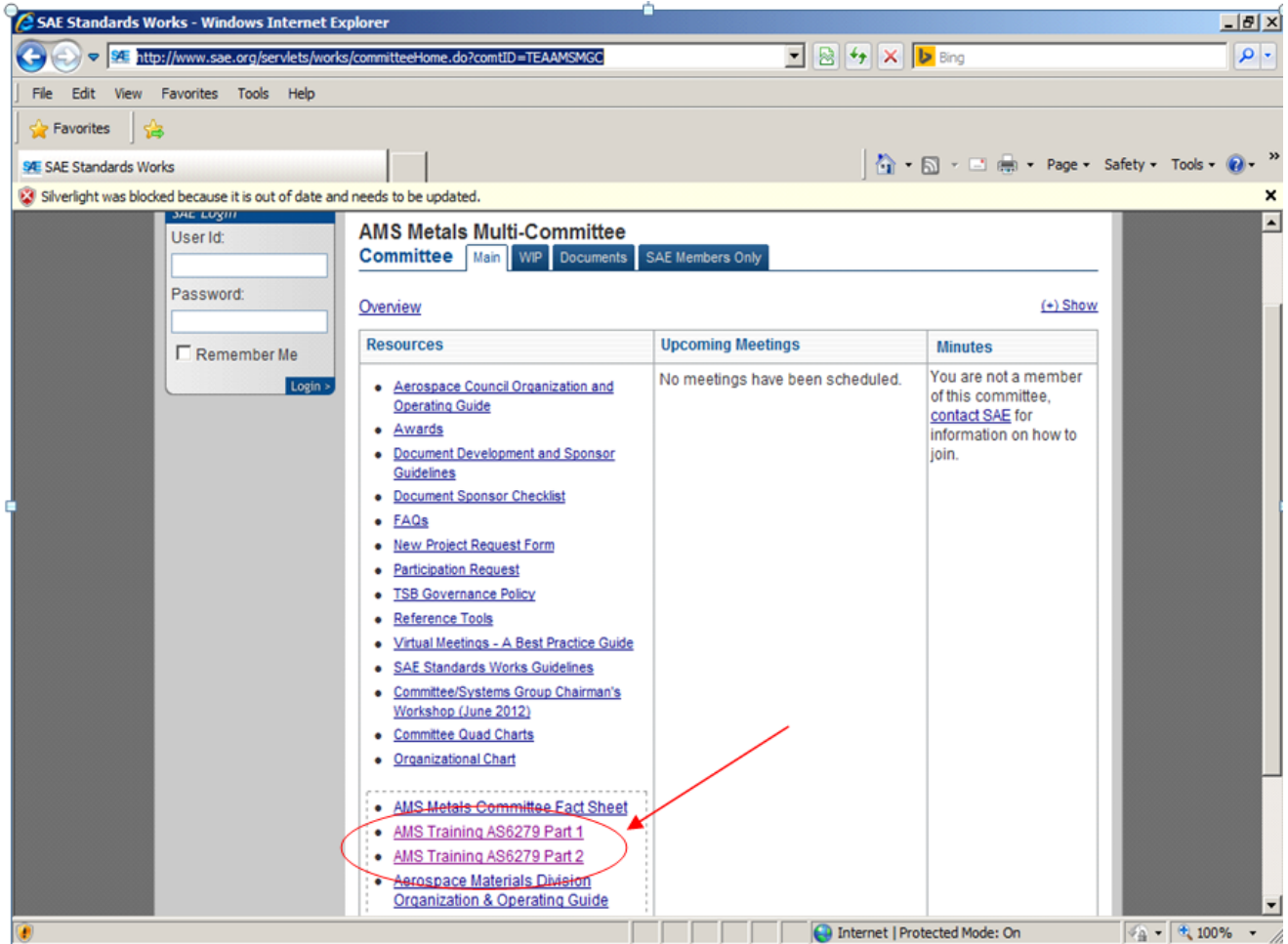
1. Become familiar with the requirements of AS6279.
2. Understand the impact to Producers, Distributors, and Purchasers of metal stock.



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3. Monitor the flow down of AS6279 into applicable products - through introduction into material specifications, purchaser orders, and other forms of customer requirements.

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Sincerely,

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