



# Building Performance Institute, Inc.

## General Policy Statement Applicable to Standardization Programs

### Foreword

Building Performance Institute, Inc. (BPI) engages in numerous activities related to the development of standards that are conducted through its staff, committees, sections, divisions, departments, and Board of Directors. All participants in BPI-related activities are to be guided by the following basic principle, which appears on each BPI standard:

BPI standards are designed to serve the public interest by eliminating misunderstandings between manufacturers, users and purchasers, facilitating interchangeability and improvement of products and services, and assisting the purchaser in selecting and obtaining, with minimum delay, the proper product or service for a particular need. Existence of such standards shall not in any respect preclude any entity affiliated with BPI from manufacturing or selling products or services not conforming to such standards.

This General Policy Statement is meant to provide general guidance in the conduct of BPI activities. Experience has shown that questions and situations will arise from time to time which are not covered by these policy statements, but which, nonetheless, will require further attention in order to ensure that the activity is compliant with the law and does not raise the appearance of impropriety. We encourage all BPI participants to raise any questions or concerns with respect to specific activities or situations that may be in violation of this General Policy Statement or BPI's Standards Procedures Manual so that any issues may be addressed in a timely and thorough manner.

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