



## DEAR FRIENDS,

The two of us wanted you to be among the first to hear some important news.

The Safety Equipment Institute is becoming a subsidiary of ASTM International. Our respective boards have unanimously approved this exciting step, with ASTM International's board of directors voting this morning.

This will blend the strengths of two well-positioned organizations that share a goal of improving public health, product safety, and consumer confidence.

We are confident that SEI – as well as its clients, partners, and other stakeholders – will reap significant benefits from being part of the ASTM family. Meanwhile, ASTM International will benefit from an expanded ability to offer certification services.

In the coming weeks, we will finalize our working relationship and move ASTM certification programs under SEI. SEI will remain a separate entity.

In summary, this is a clear win-win, and we're thrilled to be opening a new chapter in the history of both of our organizations.

To learn more, please read the <u>press release</u> from ASTM International. If you have questions, feel free to contact either of us at <u>jthomas@astm.org</u> or pgleason@seinet.org.

We look forward to continuing our valued relationship with you.

Sincerely,

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