



"The revisions to the standard, including new supplemental information in the appendices, are defining good commercial practice and the bar to which environmental professionals are being held. I'm very confident that we're going to see an increase in consistency as the revised standard gets applied, and with that, comes defensibility. We will all have something to point to in saying: 'This is what my industry does.' 'This is what this practice means.' These revisions take those things that heretofore haven't been clear in the standard one step closer to the nirvana of shared understanding,"

Paul Zovic, President, pz group, llc

## TASK GROUP UPDATE

The Task Group met numerous times from April to June to continue to address and resolving negative comments from the April 2, ballot. On June 10th, the revised standard was submitted to ballot, closing on July 10, 2021. The attention of the Task Group members now turns to any negatives submitted.

## CONTENT SPOTLIGHT

- Q/A from our March webinar with AEI's Mike Wolf & ASTM trainer Paul Zovic [here](#).
- Key take-aways from our March 11th webinar: A Deep Dive into Potential Revisions to ASTM E 1527 [here](#).
- A replay of our June event with ASTM Task Group lead Julie Kilgore and the U.S. EPA's Patricia Overmeyer [here](#).

## Which of the following best describes your current sentiment about the revisions to the ASTM E 1527 Phase I ESA standard?

Unsure, I don't have enough information yet on specific areas of revision	0%
Very concerned, and expecting to make significant changes to our current practice.	5%
Somewhat comfortable, but there are a few areas of concern that I'll be watching closely	18%
Pretty good. I'm not expecting to make significant changes to our current Phase I ESA Process	77%

SOURCE: LightBox Post-webinar attendee survey, June 8, 2021

## DID YOU KNOW... ?

...that, using records from 45 state registered dry cleaners databases, we estimate that more than 50,000 dry cleaner facilities are currently or have been active in the U.S.—but this is only part of the picture: using historical databases, we estimate that as many as several hundred thousand dry cleaners have been in operation in the U.S. over time.

Other helpful sources of dry cleaner counts include:

- SEC estimates from 2007
- IBISWorld estimates from 2021



## UPCOMING:

- Check our ASTM Resource Center soon for a blog of highlights shared by Kilgore and Overmeyer from our June event. <https://edrnet.com/astm-resource-center/>
- Our 4th webinar will be announced soon. This event will focus on common areas of EP liability and how EPs can leverage the guidance in the E1527 revisions to best protect against liability exposure.



## HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

All Task Group members have access to the proposed changes. To join the Task Group, visit: <https://www.astm.org/MEMBERSHIP/index.html>