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Dear Interested Parties:

At its meeting of August 15 - 17, 2017, the Standards Council considered an appeal on the above referenced matter. The Council’s Final decision is now available and is attached herewith.

Sincerely,

Dawn Michele Bellis
Secretary, NFPA Standards Council

cc: D. Berry, S. Everett, L. Fuller, E. Conlin, T. McGowan
Members, CC Fire and Emergency Protective Clothing and Equipment (FAE-AAC)
Members, TC Hazardous Materials Protective Clothing and Equipment (FAE-HAZ)
Members, NFPA Standards Council (AAD-AAA)
Individuals Providing Appeal Commentary

*NOTE: Participants in NFPA’s codes and standards making process should know that limited review of this decision may be sought from the NFPA Board of Directors. For the rules describing the available review and the method for petitioning the Board for review, please consult section 1-7 of the Regulations Governing the Development of NFPA Standards (Regs.) and the NFPA Regulations Governing Petitions to the Board of Directors from Decisions of the Standards Council. Since this Council decision is not “related to the issuance of a document” as referenced in 1.7.2 of the Regs., notice of the intent to file such a petition must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board of Directors within a reasonable time period.
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**SUMMARY OF ACTION (for convenience only; not part of official decision):** The Standards Council voted to uphold the appeal to support the Technical Committee in voting to reject Tentative Interim Amendment (TIA) No. 1292 to the 2018 Edition of NFPA 1994, Standard on Protective Ensembles for First Responders to Hazardous Materials Emergencies and CBRN Terrorism Incidents.

**DECISION:**
At its meeting of August 15-17, 2017, the Standards Council considered an appeal from Jeffrey O. Stull of International Personnel Protection, Inc., regarding issuance of proposed Tentative Interim Amendment (TIA) No. 1292 on the 2018 Edition of NFPA 1994, Standard on Protective Ensembles for First Responders to Hazardous Materials Emergencies and CBRN Terrorism Incidents. Specifically, the appeal sought to reject the TIA which proposed to remove sulfuric acid as one of the required test chemicals for evaluation of chemical permeation resistance of Class 1 protective ensembles and materials.

As background, TIA No. 1292 was balloted through the Technical Committee on Hazardous Materials Protective Clothing and Equipment (TC) and the Correlating Committee on Fire and Emergency Protective Clothing and Equipment (CC) in accordance with the Regulations Governing the Development of NFPA Standards (Regs), to determine whether the necessary three-fourths majority support was achieved on technical merit, correlation and emergency nature required to establish recommendation for issuance. The ballot failed the TC on technical merit. However, the ballot passed the TC on emergency nature and received the necessary support of the CC on both correlation and emergency nature.

When a TIA fails to achieve the recommendation of the responsible committees on both merit and emergency nature, the resulting recommendation of the standards development process is to not issue the TIA. The appeal also requests that the TIA No. 1292 not be issued.

The Council voted to uphold the appeal and not issue TIA No. 1292 in accordance with the action recommended by the standards development process. The Council’s decision, therefore, requires no intervention on the part of the Standards Council to take effect.

The effect of this action is that the proposed revisions of TIA No. 1292 for the proposed 2018 Edition of NFPA 1994, Standard on Protective Ensembles for First Responders to Hazardous Materials Emergencies and CBRN Terrorism Incidents is not issued.

Council Member Patricia Gleason recused herself from the deliberations and vote on the appeal.