ASTM DATA MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING GUIDE UPDATE

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OUTLINE

• Current Ballot Status
• Issues and Concerns
• Voting
CURRENT BALLOT

• DRAFT #5 CURRENTLY OUT FOR BALLOT
• VOTING CLOSES ON OCTOBER 2, MIDNIGHT
• PURPOSE OF THE DOCUMENT IS TO FACILITATE PUBLIC REPORTING OF DATA ON HYDRAULIC FRACTURING OPERATIONS
• ASTM D18.26 SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE
ISSUES

• DRAFT #5 IS A MAJOR REDRAFT OF THE PRIOR DRAFT
• NO CONSENSUS ON THE DOCUMENT
• REGARDLESS, MOVING FORWARD IN THE BALLOT PROCESS
• CONTENT PROBLEMATIC TO AGENCIES AND OPERATORS ALIKE
CONCERNS

• MANY TERMS UNCLEAR AND INCONSISTENT WITH INDUSTRY USAGE

• VOLUME OF DATA IS EXCESSIVE, NOT CLEAR THIS WILL SATISFY THE PUBLIC

• DRAFTING PROCESS NOT TRANSPARENT

• RESPONSES/DECISION ON PRIOR COMMENTS NOT AVAILABLE

• POTENTIAL TO BE USED AS TOOL TO INITIATE PUBLIC DEMANDS FOR ADDED REPORTING
VOTE

• REVIEW DRAFT AND VOTE

• DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 2, MIDNIGHT

• GUIDE SETS A NEGATIVE PRECEDENT

• POTENTIAL NEW BURDEN FOR AGENCIES