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Mr. Thomas E. Johnson, Chairman  
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R03-9

Dear Mr. Johnson,

This letter is in reference to R03-9 dated February 20, 2003. I am the Standards Director for the Acoustical Society of America. Recently, I received a copy of this document and was surprised to see that much of the text of proposed Sections 910.106 and 910.107 was taken almost word for word from ANSI S12.9 Part 3-1998 (R2003). Perhaps it was not noticed that this is copyrighted material.

The only revenue to support Standards development in the United States for Standards of this type is sales of the Standard. Thus, no permission can be given for you to use the text from ANSI S12.9 Part 3 in this fashion. We would be pleased if you would reference the methods of ANSI S12.9 Part 3. In any event, we hereby require that you remove all copyrighted material taken from ANSI S12.9 Part 3 from your proposed rule. Further, we request that you ask all recipients of the R03-9 Proposed Rule dated February 20, 2003—Proposal for Public Comment to destroy any and all copies of these two proposed sections; Section 910.106 and Section 910.107. Finally, please send us copies of your correspondence and the revised text of the document demonstrating that these actions have been taken.

Thank you for your prompt response and attention to this matter.

Very sincerely,

Paul Schomer

Cc: R. Stern, ASA President  
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