Petition to Amend the Name of the Committee on Technician Affairs

(AMENDMENTS TO THE STANDING RULES)

Standing Rule II, Sec. 4, a, (14)
Standing Rule VIII, Sec. 1, a, (14)

Petition

We, the voting members of the American Chemical Society’s Committee on Technician Affairs, hereby petition to amend the SOCIETY’s Standing Rules as follows (additions underlined; deletions struck through):

STANDING RULE II
Council Executive Function

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Sec. 4.

Society Committees

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a. Society Committees Reporting Only to the Council

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(14) Committee on Technician Affairs - Chemical Technical Professionals

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STANDING RULE VIII
Duties of Committees

Section 1.

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a. Duties of Committees that Report Only to the Council

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(14) Committee on Technician Affairs - Chemical Technical Professionals

Explanation

The Committee on Technician Affairs (CTA) discontinued the use of “technician” in lieu of the term “Chemical Technical Professionals” (CTP). The rationale for this was primarily due to the fact that companies have various titles for similar roles. For example, Company “A” might use the title technician, while another uses technologist/specialist, and another might use the phrase analyst. Therefore, CTA decided on the term “Chemical Technical Professionals” to encompass the broader range of titles held by similar support function roles. Although the term “CTP” is reflected in the CTA duties, the name of the committee was never updated.