

ORIGINAL**FOR FUNCTION COMMITTEE ACTION****Petition to Amend the Application and Dues Process for Corporation Associates**
(AMENDMENTS TO THE STANDING RULES)**Standing Rule I, Sec. 9 (c)****Petition**

We, the voting members of the American Chemical Society's Committee on Corporation Associates, hereby petition to amend the SOCIETY's Standing Rules as follows (additions **underlined**; deletions ~~struck through~~):

STANDING RULE I
Membership Function

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Sec. 9.**Affiliates and Associates**

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c. Corporation Associates

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(2) Application for such status shall be made on the appropriate form ~~and be accompanied by a check in payment of dues for the first year.~~ **Upon approval by the committee, an invoice will be sent for dues.** A Committee on Corporation Associates of the Board of Directors shall consider all applications for Corporation Associates and take such action as it deems appropriate.

(3) The dues of Corporation Associates shall be graduated and based on the ~~number of chemical scientists employed by the preceding year by the unit enrolled in accordance~~ **company's total annual sales revenues** with a schedule set in advance by the Board of Directors.

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(5) The obligation for dues for a Corporation Associate shall continue from year to year. The status of any Corporation Associate in arrears for dues ~~after March 31~~ shall be ~~communicated to~~ **evaluated by the committee. Recommendations for action will be provided to** the Board of Directors ~~for its action.~~ If, ~~by action of the Board of Directors,~~ a Corporation Associate **company** is dropped for nonpayment of dues, it shall be reinstated ~~only by vote of the Board of Directors upon recommendation by its~~ Committee on Corporation Associates.

Explanation

The Committee on Corporation Associates is recommending a new dues structure based on annual revenue instead of number of chemists so that dues income is not dependent on any one company and spreads support more fairly among all enrolled companies. The March 31 deadline for dues payment is removed to provide greater flexibility from extenuating circumstances caused by the need for additional paperwork, as well as late billing through the ACS Office of Philanthropy wherein payment of dues are received at the end of the membership year.