

**INTERPRETATION IC 188-2018-1 OF
ANSI/ASHRAE STANDARD 188-2018
Legionellosis: Risk Management for building Water Systems**

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Request from: Michael Gammill, 202 N Edison Street, Bixby, OK 74008.

Reference: This request for interpretation refers to the requirements presented in ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 188-2018, Section A2.1, relating to *Designated Team*.

Background: ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 188-2018 Section A2.1 states or would imply that a member of the designated team member within the United States should include someone who is an infection preventionist certified in infection prevention and control (CIC certification) by the Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology (CBIC) or who is an epidemiologist with a minimum of a master's degree.

Interpretation: The Council-Certified Indoor Environmental Consultant (CIEC) designated by the National Commissioning of Certifying Agencies (NCCA) is sufficient to fulfill the requirement in Section A2.1 of the ASHRAE Standard 188.

Question: Is this interpretation correct?

Answer: No.

Comments: A CIEC designation is not the same/equivalent as an infection preventionist certified in infection prevention and control (CIC certification) by the Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology (CBIC) or an epidemiologist with a minimum of a master's degree. The CIEC designation is not specific to healthcare.