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ASTM consensus has not been obtained on this information letter. An appropriate ASTM ballot will be issued in order to achieve such consensus.

TO: OSCT Surveillance Panel

SUBJECT: NI Elastomer Shelf Life

At a May 8, 2019 meeting, the OSCT surveillance panel, based on elastomer manufacture's recommendations, voted to increase the shelf life of NI elastomers from two years to three years. Previously expired NI approved elastomers are now approved for 3 years from the cure date as long as the storage conditions meet the requirements of section 7.4.1 of the test procedure. These revisions are effective immediately.

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Attachment

cc: http://www.astmtmc.cmu.edu/ftp/docs/gear/osct/procedure_and_ils/il19-2_osct.pdf

Distribution: Email

(Revises Test Method D5662-17a as revised by Information Letter 19-1)

Replace Section 7.4. with the following:

7.4 The shelf life for the PA and FL seal elastomers is five years from the date the batch was cured. For NI seal elastomer the shelf life is three years from the date the batch was cured. Invalidate any test with a seal beyond its shelf life or not stored according to section 7.4.1. Consult the TMC for any approved exceptions to this lifespan. Place a note in the comments section of the test report where exceptions have been approved.