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## INTRODUCTION

Much work has been carried out in recent years on “advanced” properties of metal halide lamps, particularly on the subject of hot restrike and dimming. These issues have been discussed within SC 34A. However, the changes in technology and the focus of experts in the field of lighting products has meant that there is now less market relevance or interest or resources available to carry this work through with a view to publishing amendments to IEC 61167, the standard on metal halide performance.

It was therefore considered that the publication of this "state of the art" data as a Technical Report would be more useful. This document represents the current state of experts' opinions on how metal halide lamps should be standardized to cover the relevant parameters for hot restrike and dimming.

This document contains additional comments and material with respect to IEC 61167.

This document is intended only as a guide for future standardizers and is not intended to be used normatively.

## **DIMMING AND HOT RESTRIKE OF METAL HALIDE LAMPS**

### **1 Scope**

This document describes the current state of experts' opinions on the standardization of metal halide lamps to cover the relevant parameters for hot restrike and for dimming in combination with low frequency square wave ballasts. It provides guidelines for supplementing or modifying IEC 61167 in order that these conditions are covered.

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IEC 61167:2015<sup>1</sup>, *Metal halide lamps – Performance specification*

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