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Technical comments:

* Page v, Foreword:

Add a note to identify which parts of the standard are only available in machine readable form, preferably by pointing to the sections in which they are linked or, alternatively, by listing the relevant files here directly.

Furthermore, check the change against ISO's stated intention to improve the involvement of industrially less advanced countries in standardization. Experts from these countries may not have the means to access machine readable information. In this case, it might be necessary for ISO Central Secretariat to offer a version with all parts printed out. Follow any advice from ISO Central Secretariat on this issue.

* Character U267F:

Remove this character from the document in order to take into account mail SC2.616 from 2002-02-20

It is desirable to encode this character. It is used frequently in many kinds of publications including many school books.

As suggested in the aforementioned mail, this encoding may be impossible due to the legal / trade mark considerations mentioned by Der Grüne Punkt - Duales System Deutschland AG. However, given the quasi-monopolist and state-backed position that this company still enjoys in Germany and given that the symbol is used far beyond German borders this may be a borderline case.

The company's claim that the symbol "has no meaning as a recycling symbol or a meaning as environmental friendly" is hardly in line with their own marketing position, even less with popular perception.

Therefore remove this character from this proposal until independent legal advice can be obtained.

If possible to maintain, rename to GREEN DOT (recyclable packaging)
