

NORMAPME Position on the CEN / TC 33 N 2146 – R637c – EN 14351 – 1 Extension of the coexistence period of 1 year

In 2006, the standard on doors and windows on which CE marking will be based (EN 14351-1: 2006) has been approved provided an amendment allowing its implementation by SMEs would be adopted.

This amendment, which allows cascading and provides provisions for non-series production is in the process of being approved. Unfortunately it will not be ready before the end of the co-existence period – 1st of February 2009 (date where the use of the standard will be compulsory).

In order to ensure that SMEs will not have to comply with a standard that is not really adapted to their needs, it was requested that CEN/TC 33 approves an extension of the coexistence period of one year in July 08.

Hence, it is crucial that the extension of the coexistence period of one year is approved.