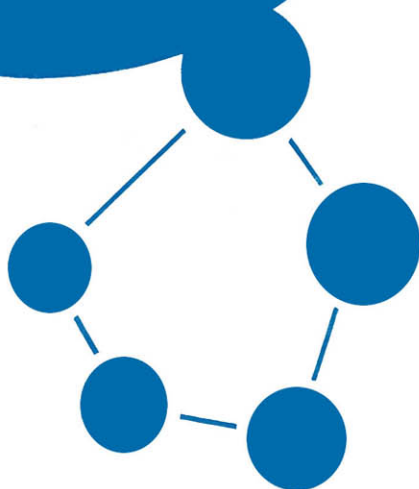


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## Foreword

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## **Related ASTM Publications**

**Fire and Explosion Hazards of Peroxy Compounds,  
STP 394 (1965), \$1.50**

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