

## ISTA Project 3J Adopted by Sam's Club



### 3J Packaged-Products for Club Store Distribution System Shipment

ISTA Project 3J, the culmination of the Sam's Club program (*see recent issues of i-News and ISTA Views for complete information*) has now been formally adopted by Sam's Club. For several years, Sam's has been referencing modified versions of ISTA Procedures 3E and 3A for items requiring distribution testing. Those references have now been replaced by ISTA 3J. It will take a few weeks for this change to be added to various Sam's Club documents and integrated into the Sam's quality protocols, but the announcement has been made and any inquiries are being answered with information about the new policy.

While the modified 3E and 3A have been effective for Sam's Club, the new Project 3J promises to be a further marked improvement. Developed after extensive surveys, observations, and measurements of actual distribution, 3J incorporates test parameters and entirely new test elements as required by unique aspects of the Club Store environment.

As with any new ISTA Project, 3J will undoubtedly be subject to some revisions in its initial implementation. Information will continue to be posted on the ISTA website and reported in ISTA publications. If there are any questions, please contact [Bill Kipp](#).