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If EPA were to decide to eliminate 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(6) non-profit corporation status from the eligibility criteria, should EPA consider allowing previously-recognized non-profit organizations to continue to operate as Verification Oversight Organizations based on the prior requirements for demonstrating impartiality?

No. EPA should put all VOO participants on the same playing field with the same requirements. Allowing organizations with wildly different approaches to certifying Rating Companies (17020 or other) would create unnecessary work and in the long-term divide the industry. This is a necessary one-time step to adjust platform and overall industry direction. But, it is not required for the industry to be divided long term nor is the industry advantaged by having and retaining completely different approaches to certification of professionals or of homes.

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