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Joseph Gubeladze* (soso@sfsu.edu), Department of Mathematics, San Francisco State University, San Francisco, CA 94132. *Conductor ideals of affine monoids and K -theory.*

A *positive affine monoid* is a finitely generated additive submonoid of \mathbb{Z}^r for some r , containing no nontrivial subgroup. In analogy with commutative rings, the *conductor ideal* of a positive affine monoid M is the set $\mathbf{c}_{\bar{M}/M} = \{m \in \mathbb{Z}^r : m + \bar{M} \subset M\}$, where \bar{M} is the normalization of M in \mathbb{Z}^r . It is a non-zero ideal of M . When M is a *numerical monoid*, the ideal $\mathbf{c}_{\bar{M}/M}$ is equivalent to the *Frobenius number* of M . Several people studied conductor ideals of affine monoids in arbitrary dimensions. After a brief survey of such structural results, we will discuss how conductor ideals $\mathbf{c}_{\bar{M}/M}$ appear in the K -theory of monoid rings $R[M]$. The picture is complete for the Grothendieck group K_0 and mostly conjectural for higher groups. (Received February 18, 2016)