U.S. Federal Register Update: March 8 – March 12, 2021

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Proposed Revisions to the National Handbook of Conservation Practices for the Natural Resources Conservation Service

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NRCS is giving notice that it intends to issue a series of revised conservation practice standards in the National Handbook of Conservation Practices (NHCP). NRCS is also giving the public an opportunity to provide comments on specified conservation practice standards in NHCP. We will consider comments that we receive by April 8, 2021.

<u>Energy Conservation Program: Decision and Order Granting a Waiver to ECR International, Inc. From the Department of Energy Furnace Fan Test Procedure</u>

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The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") gives notice of a Decision and Order (Case Number 2019-001) that grants to ECR International, Inc. ("ECR") a waiver from specified portions of the DOE test procedure for determining the energy consumption of specified furnace fans basic models, which are belt-driven, single-speed, and designed for use in "heat-only" applications. Under the Decision and Order, ECR is required to test and rate the specified basic models of its furnace fans in accordance with the alternate test procedure set forth in the Decision and Order. The Decision and Order is effective on March 9, 2021. The Decision and Order will terminate upon the compliance date of any future amendment to the test procedure for furnace fans located at title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations ("CFR"), part 430, subpart B, appendix AA that addresses the issues presented in this waiver. At such time, ECR must use the relevant test procedure for these products for any testing to demonstrate compliance with the applicable standards, and any other representations of energy use.

Revisions to the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR 5) for Public Water Systems and Announcement of Public Meeting

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require public water systems to collect national occurrence data for 29 per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and lithium. This proposed rule would require all community and non-transient non community water systems serving 3,300 or more people, and a representative sample of smaller water systems, to conduct monitoring. PFAS and lithium are not currently subject to national primary drinking water regulations, and EPA is proposing to require the collection of drinking water occurrence data to inform EPA decisions. This proposal fulfills a key commitment in "EPA's 2019 Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Action Plan" (https://www.epa.gov/pfas/epas-pfas-action-plan) by proposing the

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) is proposing a Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) rule that would

collection of more drinking water occurrence data for a broader group of PFAS. EPA is also announcing two public meetings (via webinar) to discuss this proposal of the fifth Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR 5). Comments must be received on or before May 10, 2021. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), comments on the information collection provisions are best assured of consideration if the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) receives a copy of your comments on or before April 12, 2021.

<u>Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From the Republic of Korea: Final Negative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value</u>

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The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from the Republic of Korea (Korea) are not being, or are not likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

<u>Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Indonesia: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, and Final</u> Affirmative Finding of Critical Circumstances

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The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Indonesia are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation (POI) is January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

<u>Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Taiwan: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Final Negative Determination of Critical Circumstances</u>

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The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Taiwan are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. Further, Commerce determines that critical circumstances do not exist for all producers and exporters of aluminum sheet from Taiwan. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Greece: Final Negative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

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The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Greece are not being, or are not likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation (POI) is January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Croatia: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

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The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Croatia are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From South Africa: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

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The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from South Africa is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Brazil: Final Negative Countervailing Duty Determination

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The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that countervailable subsidies are not being provided to producers and exporters of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from the Brazil. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Serbia: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

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The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Serbia are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Spain: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

Published 3/8/2021 Reference ASTM The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Spain are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Brazil: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

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Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) continues to determine that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Brazil are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation (POI), January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Slovenia: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

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Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Slovenia are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Germany: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

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Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Germany are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Egypt: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

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Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Egypt are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From the Sultanate of Oman: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Negative Determination of Critical Circumstances

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Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from the Sultanate of Oman (Oman) are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Bahrain: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

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Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Bahrain is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation, January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Bahrain: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination

Published 3/8/2021

Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Bahrain. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From India: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination and Final Negative Critical Circumstances Determination

Published 3/8/2021 Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from India. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Italy: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value (LTFV)

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Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Italy is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation (POI) January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Romania: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

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Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Romania are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Turkey: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

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The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Turkey is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation (POI) January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From the Republic of Turkey: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination and Final Affirmative Determination of Critical Circumstances, in Part

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Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from the Republic of Turkey (Turkey). **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From India: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

Published 3/8/2021

Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from India are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019. **Applicable March 8, 2021.**

Promoting Access to Voting

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Reference NIST

A Presidential Document by the Executive Office of the President on Promoting Access to Voting.

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

Published 3/9/2021

Reference NIST

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission or Agency) proposes to add a new system of records, FCC/WCB-4, Consumer Challenge Process, to its inventory of records systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended. This action is necessary to meet the requirements of the Privacy Act to publish in the Federal Register notice of

the existence and character of records maintained by the Agency. The FCC maintains programs that require telecommunication providers and carriers (Participants) to report service coverage or locations eligible for support to the FCC, such as the FCC's Digital Opportunity Data Collection (DODC) and the Universal Service Fund (USF) Eligible Location Adjustment Process (ELAP). Under these programs, consumers and third parties (collectively, Stakeholders) may challenge the service coverage or number of locations eligible for support (eligible locations) reported by Participants. The Consumer Challenge Process system of records contains personally identifiable information (PII) submitted by individuals, or third parties on behalf of individuals, needed to establish eligibility to challenge the accuracy of Participants' submissions, provide sufficient information for Participants to respond to a challenge, and create accurate maps of Participant coverage or eligible locations. To establish eligibility, prospective Stakeholders who are individuals must submit certain PII that will be used to verify their identities and their interest in receiving services from a Participant in the relevant geographic area, i.e., the coverage area for DODC, or the Participant's supported areas for ELAP. In certain programs, the PII will also be used to establish that the Stakeholders do not hold a controlling interest in a competitor. Once verified, Stakeholders may submit additional PII to establish that specific geolocations are eligible locations, such as evidence verifying ownership or occupancy of a location. Participation in any Consumer Challenge Process is voluntary. This system of records will become effective on March 9, 2021. Written comments on the routine uses are due by April 8, 2021. The routine uses will become effective on April 8, 2021, unless written comments are received that require a contrary determination.

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

Published 3/12/2021 Reference NIST

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC, Commission, or Agency) has modified an existing system of records, FCC/OMD-2, Labor Relations and Employee Performance Files, subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended. This action is necessary to meet the requirements of the Privacy Act to publish in the Federal Register notice of the existence and character of records maintained by the Agency. The records in this system contain information on Commission employees that the Human Resources Management (HRM) in the Office of Managing Director (OMD) uses for purposes such as litigation, law enforcement, congressional inquiries, labor organization inquiries, and government-wide program oversight. This system of records will become effective on March 12, 2021. Written comments on the routine uses are due by April 12, 2021. The routine uses will become effective on April 12, 2021, unless written comments are received that require a contrary determination.

Agency Information Collection Activities; Notice and Request for Comment; Automated Driving Systems 2.0: A Vision for Safety

Published 3/9/2021 Reference SAE

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) invites public comments about our intention to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for an extension of a currently-approved information collection. Before a Federal agency may collect certain information from the public, it must receive approval from OMB. Under procedures established by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before seeking OMB approval, Federal agencies must solicit public comment on proposed collections of information, including extensions and reinstatements of previously approved collections. This document describes a collection of information for which NHTSA intends to seek OMB extension approval, titled "Automated Driving Systems 2.0: A Vision for Safety" and identified by OMB Control Number 2127-0723, which is currently approved through May 31, 2021. The burden hour calculations have been adjusted to reflect a reduction in burden as well as a reduction in the frequency of response resulting in a total annual burden hour reduction from 86,100 hours to 12,000 hours. Comments must be submitted on or before May 10, 2021.