

U.S. Federal Register Update: November 12 – November 16, 2018

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[Manufactured Home Procedural and Enforcement Regulations; Clarifying the Exemption for Manufacture of Recreational Vehicles](#)

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Reference ANSI, NFPA

This rulemaking revises the exemption for the manufacture of recreational vehicles to clarify which recreational vehicles qualify for an exemption from HUD's Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards and Manufactured Home Procedural and Enforcement regulations. HUD is adopting a recommendation of the Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee (MHCC) but expanding the definition of recreational vehicle and modifying it to require certification with the updated ANSI standard, A119.5-15. **Effective Date: January 15, 2019.**

[Testing Regulations for Air Emission Sources](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASME, ASTM, ISO

This action amends certain existing testing regulations to reflect corrections, updates, and the addition of alternative equipment and methods for source testing of emissions. These revisions will improve the quality of data and provide flexibility in the use of approved alternative procedures. The revisions do not impose any new substantive requirements on source owners or operators. **The final rule is effective on January 14, 2019. The incorporation by reference materials listed in the rule are approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of January 14, 2019.**

[Semiannual Regulatory Agenda](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASTM, NFPA

In this document, the Commission publishes its semiannual regulatory flexibility agenda. In addition, this document includes an agenda of regulatory actions that the Commission expects to be under development or review by the Agency during the next year. This document meets the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act and Executive Order 12866. The Commission welcomes comments on the agenda and on the individual agenda entries. **Comments should be received in the Office of the Secretary on or before December 17, 2018.**

[Pipeline Safety: Guidance on the Extension of the 7-year Integrity Management Reassessment Interval by 6 Months](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASME

PHMSA is publishing this document to seek public comments on frequently asked questions (FAQs) developed to provide guidance on what constitutes sufficient justification for an operator to request a 6-month extension to a gas pipeline's 7-year integrity management reassessment interval. This guidance, which consists of one revised and two new FAQs, will implement authority granted by Congress in Section 5(e) of the Pipeline Safety, Regulatory Certainty, and Job Creation Act of 2011 (2011 Act). **Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 17, 2018.**

[Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Boost-Back and Landing of Falcon 9 Rockets](#)

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Reference ANSI, ISO

NMFS has received a request from Space Exploration Technology Corporation (SpaceX) for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to boost-back and landing of Falcon 9 rockets at Vandenberg Air Force Base (VAFB) in California, and at contingency landing locations in the Pacific Ocean. Pursuant to the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), NMFS is requesting comments on its proposal to issue an incidental harassment authorization (IHA) to incidentally take marine mammals during the specified activities. NMFS is also requesting comments on a possible one-year renewal that could be issued under certain circumstances and if all requirements are met, as described in Request for Public Comments at the end of this notice. NMFS will consider public comments prior to making any final decision on the issuance of the requested MMPA authorizations and agency responses will be summarized in the final notice of our decision. **Comments and information must be received no later than December 17, 2018.**

[Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Consumer Warm Air Furnaces, Notice of Petition for Rulemaking](#)

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Reference ASHRAE

On October 12, 2018, the Department of Energy (DOE) received a petition from the Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI) asking DOE to initiate notice-and-comment rulemaking to develop a new, unified test procedure for residential furnaces which would replace the three currently required performance metrics (i.e., annual fuel utilization efficiency (AFUE), fan efficiency ratio (FER), and standby mode/off mode energy consumption (PW,SB and PW,OFF)) with a single new metric (AFUE2). As the petition acknowledges, a combined metric would necessitate a translation of the existing energy conservation standards applicable to residential furnaces using an appropriate crosswalk. Through this announcement, DOE seeks comment on the petition, as well as any data or information that could be used in DOE's determination whether to proceed with the petition. **Written comments and information are requested on or before January 14, 2019.**

[Introduction to the Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions-Fall 2018](#)

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Reference ASME, ASTM, CSA, ISO, UL

Publication of the Unified Agenda of Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions and the Regulatory Plan represent key components of the regulatory planning mechanism prescribed in Executive Order 12866, "Regulatory Planning and Review," Executive Order 13771, "Reducing Regulation and Controlling Regulatory Costs," January 30, 2017, and Executive Order 13777, "Enforcing the Regulatory Reform Agenda," February 24, 2017. The fall editions of the Unified Agenda include the agency regulatory plans required by E.O. 12866, which identify regulatory priorities and provide additional detail about the most important significant regulatory actions that agencies expect to take in the coming year. **This action may affect the private sector under Pub. L. 104-4.**

[Biodiesel From Argentina: Initiation of Changed Circumstances Reviews of the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders](#)

Published 11/13/2018

Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) is initiating changed circumstances reviews (CCR) of the antidumping duty (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) orders on biodiesel from Argentina. **Applicable November 13, 2018.**

[Antidumping Duty Investigation of Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From the People's Republic of China: Affirmative Final Determination of Sales at Less-Than-Fair Value](#)

Published 11/15/2018

Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (common alloy sheet) from the People's Republic of China (China) is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less-than-fair value (LTFV) for the period of investigation (POI) April 1, 2017, through September 30, 2017. **Applicable November 15, 2018.**

[Countervailing Duty Investigation of Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From the People's Republic of China: Final Affirmative Determination](#)

Published 11/15/2018

Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of common alloy aluminum sheet (common alloy sheet) from the People's Republic of China (China) for the period of investigation (POI) January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016. **Applicable November 15, 2018.**

[Countervailing Duty Investigation of Large Diameter Welded Pipe From the People's Republic of China: Final Affirmative Determination](#)

Published 11/14/2018

Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers/exporters of large diameter welded pipe from the People's Republic of China (China). **Applicable November 14, 2018.**

[Large Diameter Welded Pipe From India: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value; 2017](#)

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Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of large diameter welded pipe 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, 2017, through December 31, 2017. **Applicable November 14, 2018.**

[Large Diameter Welded Pipe From the People's Republic of China: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value](#)

Published 11/14/2018

Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that imports of large diameter welded pipe from the People's Republic of China (China) are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). **Applicable November 14, 2018.**

[Large Diameter Welded Pipe From India: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination](#)

Published 11/14/2018

Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers/exporters of large diameter welded pipe welded pipe from India. **Applicable November 14, 2018.**

[Regulatory Agenda](#)

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Reference IEC

The Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 and Executive Order (E.O.) 12866 require the semiannual issuance of an inventory of rulemaking actions under development throughout the Department, offering for public review summarized information about forthcoming regulatory actions.

[Fall 2018 Unified Agenda of Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions](#)

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Reference NEMA

The Department of Energy (DOE) has prepared and is making available its portion of the semiannual Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions (Agenda), including its Regulatory Plan (Plan), pursuant to Executive Order 12866, "Regulatory Planning and Review," and the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

[Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions-Fall 2018](#)

Published 11/16/2018

Reference IEC, ISO

Twice a year, in spring and fall, the Commission publishes in the Federal Register a list in the Unified Agenda of those major items and other significant proceedings under development or review that pertain to the Regulatory Flexibility Act (U.S.C. 602). The Unified Agenda also provides the Code of Federal Regulations citations and legal authorities that govern these proceedings. The complete Unified Agenda will be published on the internet in a searchable format at www.reginfo.gov.
