

U.S. Federal Register Update: July 13 – July 17, 2020

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[Energy Conservation Program: Data Collection and Comparison With Forecasted Unit Sales of Five Lamp Types](#)

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Reference ANSI, NEMA

The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") is informing the public of its collection of shipment data and creation of spreadsheet models to provide comparisons between 2019 unit sales and benchmark estimate unit sales of five lamp types (i.e., rough service lamps, vibration service lamps, 3-way incandescent lamps, 2,601-3,300 lumen general service incandescent lamps, and shatter-resistant lamps). For 3-way incandescent lamps, 2,601-3,300 lumen general service incandescent lamps, and shatter-resistant lamps, the 2019 sales are not greater than 200 percent of the forecasted estimates. The 2019 unit sales for vibration service lamps are greater than the benchmark unit sales estimate but less than 200 percent of the benchmark unit sales estimate. The 2019 unit sales for rough service lamps are below the benchmark unit sales estimate. DOE has prepared, and is making available on its website, a spreadsheet showing the comparisons of projected sales versus 2019 sales, as well as the model used to generate the original sales estimates. The spreadsheet is available online at: https://www1.eere.energy.gov/buildings/appliance_standards/standards.aspx?productid=16. **The data is available July 17, 2020.**

[Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Respirator Program Records](#)

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Reference ANSI

The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting this Mining Safety and Health Administration (MSHA)-sponsored information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). Public comments on the ICR are invited. **The OMB will consider all written comments that agency receives on or before August 17, 2020.**

[National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Integrated Iron and Steel Manufacturing Facilities Residual Risk and Technology Review](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASME, ASTM

This action finalizes the residual risk and technology review (RTR) conducted for the Integrated Iron and Steel Manufacturing Facilities source category regulated under national emission standards for hazardous air pollutants (NESHAP). The Agency found that risks due to emissions of air toxics from this source category are acceptable and that the current NESHAP provides an ample margin of safety to protect public health. Under the technology review, we found no developments in practices, processes, or control technologies that necessitate revision of the standards. In addition, we are taking final action to establish emission standards for mercury in response to a 2004 administrative petition for reconsideration which minimizes emissions by limiting the amount of mercury per ton of metal scrap used. We also are removing exemptions for periods of startup, shutdown, and malfunction (SSM) consistent with a 2008 court decision, and clarifying that the emissions standards apply at all times; adding electronic reporting of performance test results and compliance reports; and making minor corrections and clarifications for a few other rule provisions. **This final rule is effective on July 13, 2020. The incorporation by reference (IBR) of certain publications listed in the rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of July 13, 2020.**

[Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Construction of the Alaska LNG Project in Prudhoe Bay, Alaska](#)

Published 7/16/2020

Reference ANSI

NMFS has received a request from the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation (AGDC) for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to construction of the Alaska LNG Project in Prudhoe Bay, Alaska. 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 August 17, 2020.**

[Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Gastineau Channel Historical Society Sentinel Island Moorage Float Project, Juneau, Alaska](#)

Published 7/15/2020

Reference ANSI

In accordance with the regulations implementing the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) as amended, notification is hereby given that NMFS has issued an incidental harassment authorization (IHA) to the Gastineau Channel Historical Society (GCHS) to incidentally harass, by Level B harassment only, marine mammals during construction activities associated with the Sentinel Island Moorage Float project near Juneau, Alaska. **This Authorization is effective from July 15, 2020 to September 20, 2020.**

[OneRD Guaranteed Loan Regulation](#)

Published 7/14/2020

Reference ANSI, ASABE, ASTM

The Rural Business-Cooperative Service, Rural Housing Service, and the Rural Utilities Service, agencies of the Rural Development mission area within the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), hereinafter collectively referred to as the Agency, are proposing a unified guaranteed loan platform for enhanced delivery of four of its existing guaranteed loan programs: Community Facilities (CF) administered by the Rural Housing Service; Water and Waste Disposal (WWD) administered by the Rural Utilities Service; and, Business and Industry (B&I) and Rural Energy for America (REAP) administered by the Rural Business-Cooperative Service. Collectively, these four Rural Development's guaranteed loan programs work to assist in building and maintaining sustainable rural communities. This rule incorporates new and revised provisions intended to simplify, improve, expand and enhance the delivery of the four guaranteed loan programs. These provisions include, among others, clearly defining specific project eligibility criteria, revising the requirements for lenders to participate in the programs, and streamlining the documentation requirements for submission of guaranteed loan applications. **This final rule is effective October 1, 2020.**

[Heavy Walled Rectangular Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes From Mexico: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Final Determination of No Shipments; 2017-2018](#)

Published 7/13/2020

Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) finds that the producers/exporters subject to this administrative review made sales of subject merchandise at less than normal value during the period of review (POR), September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018. **Applicable July 13, 2020.**

[CSA Group Testing & Certification Inc.: Request for Renewal of Recognition](#)

Published 7/13/2020

Reference CSA

In this notice, OSHA announces the application of CSA Group Testing & Certification Inc. (CSA) requesting renewal of recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL). **Submit comments, information, and documents in response to this notice, or requests for an extension of time to make a submission, on or before July 28, 2020.**

[IAPMO Ventures, LLC dba IAPMO EGS: Request for Renewal of Recognition](#)

Published 7/13/2020

Reference IAPMO

In this notice, OSHA announces the application of IAPMO Ventures, LLC dba IAPMO EGS (IAPMO) requesting renewal of recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL). **Submit comments, information, and documents in response to this notice, or requests for an extension of time to make a submission, on or before July 28, 2020.**

[Uniform National Discharge Standards for Vessels of the Armed Forces-Phase II Batch Two](#)

Published 7/17/2020

Reference ISO

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) are promulgating discharge performance standards for 11 discharges incidental to the normal operation of a vessel of the Armed Forces in the navigable waters of the United States, the territorial seas, and the contiguous zone. When implemented, the discharge performance standards will reduce the adverse environmental impacts associated with the vessel discharges, stimulate the development of improved vessel pollution control devices, and advance the development of environmentally sound vessels of the Armed Forces. The 11 discharges addressed by the final rule include the following: Catapult water brake tank and post-launch retraction exhaust, controllable pitch propeller hydraulic fluid, deck runoff, firemain systems, graywater, hull coating leachate, motor gasoline and compensating discharge, sonar dome discharge, submarine bilgewater, surface vessel bilgewater/oil-water separator effluent, and underwater ship husbandry. **This final rule is effective on August 17, 2020.**

[Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Application From the Joint Commission for Continued Approval of its Hospital Accreditation Program](#)

Published 7/17/2020

Reference NFPA

This final notice announces our decision to approve The Joint Commission (TJC) for continued recognition as a national accrediting organization for hospitals that wish to participate in the Medicare or Medicaid programs. **The decision announced in this notice is effective on July 15, 2020, through July 15, 2022.**

[Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records](#)

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Reference NIST

In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is establishing a new system of records, 09-90-2002, "COVID-19 Insights Collaboration Records." HHS will use the records in this system of records to create and maintain a new database to be used by HHS to understand, track, and respond to the novel coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2 and the outbreak of COVID-19 (the disease caused by SARS-CoV-2) which the Secretary of Health and Human Services declared a public health emergency effective January 27, 2020, and the World Health Organization (WHO) declared a pandemic on March 11, 2020. Creating and maintaining the new database may include retrieving identifiable records about patients by the patients' personal identifiers in order to connect, combine, or de-duplicate records that are about the same individual; however, at this time, HHS does not plan to retrieve records by personal identifier when using the resulting database for research, analysis, or other public health activities. **The new system of records is applicable July 16, 2020, subject to a 30-day period in which to comment on the routine uses.**

[Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records](#)

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Reference NIST

The Better Utilization of Investments Leading to Development (BUILD) Act of 2018 created the U.S. International Development Finance Corporation (DFC) by bringing together the Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC) and the Development Credit Authority (DCA) office of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). Section 1466(a)-(b) of the Act provides that all completed administrative actions shall apply, while all pending proceedings shall continue, through the transition to the DFC. Accordingly, DFC is issuing a revised system of records modifying all the systems of records previously published under OPIC's authority. **The systems are effective upon publication in today's Federal Register, with the exception of changes to the routine uses, which are effective August 17, 2020, unless we receive comments that result in a contrary determination.**

[UL LLC: Request for Renewal of Recognition](#)

Published 7/13/2020

Reference NIST

In this notice, OSHA announces the application of UL LLC (UL), requesting renewal of recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL). **Submit comments, information, and documents in response to this notice, or requests for an extension of time to make a submission, on or before July 28, 2020.**

[Request for Information: Energy Storage Grand Challenge](#)

Published 7/16/2020

Reference NIST

The U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE or the Department), is issuing this Request for Information (RFI) solely for information and planning purposes and does not constitute a Request for Proposal (RFP). Information received may be used to assist the DOE in planning the scope of future technology studies, deployment, or technology commercialization efforts and may be shared with other federal agencies. The DOE may also use this RFI to gain public input on its efforts, expand and facilitate public access to the DOE's resources, and to mobilize investment in U.S. energy storage technologies as well as ancillary technologies and efforts that will enable commercialization and widespread adoption. The information collected may be used for internal DOE planning and decision-making to ensure that future activities maximize public benefit while advancing the Administration's goals for leading the world in building a competitive, clean energy economy; securing America's energy future; reducing carbon pollution; and creating domestic jobs. **Written comments and information are requested on or before August 21, 2020.**
