

U.S. Federal Register Update: September 7 – September 11, 2020

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[Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental To Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Marine Site Characterization Surveys Off of Coastal Virginia](#)

Published 9/8/2020

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 Dominion Energy Virginia (Dominion) to incidentally harass, by Level B harassment only, marine mammals during marine site characterization surveys in the areas of the Commercial Lease of Submerged Lands for Renewable Energy Development on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Offshore Virginia (Lease No. OCS-A-0483) as well as in coastal waters where an export cable corridor will be established in support of the Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind Commercial (CVOW Commercial) Project. **This Authorization is effective from August 28, 2020 to August 27, 2021.**

[Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to a Marine Geophysical Survey in the Aleutian Islands](#)

Published 9/9/2020

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 Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory of Columbia University (L-DEO) to incidentally harass marine mammals during a marine geophysical survey in the Aleutian Islands, Alaska. **The authorization is effective for a period of one year, from September 1, 2020, through August 31, 2021.**

[Wassenaar Arrangement 2018 Plenary Decisions Implementation; and Other Revisions Related to National Security Controls](#)

Published 9/11/2020

Reference ANSI, ASTM, IEEE, ISO, SAE

The Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) maintains, as part of its Export Administration Regulations (EAR), the Commerce Control List (CCL), which identifies certain items subject to Department of Commerce jurisdiction. This final rule revises the CCL and other corresponding parts of the EAR, to implement changes made to the Wassenaar Arrangement List of Dual-Use Goods and Technologies and Munitions List (WA Lists) maintained by the governments participating in the Wassenaar Arrangement on Export Controls for Conventional Arms and Dual-Use Goods and Technologies (Wassenaar Arrangement, or WA) at the December 2018 WA Plenary meeting. The Wassenaar Arrangement advocates implementation of effective export controls on strategic items with the objective of improving regional and international security and stability. BIS published a final rule on May 23, 2019, implementing certain new controls on emerging technologies, as decided at the 2018 Plenary meeting. This rule harmonizes the CCL with the remaining decisions reached at the 2018 Plenary meeting by revising Export Control Classification Numbers (ECCNs) controlled for national security reasons in each category of the CCL, except Category 4. This rule also makes other associated changes to the EAR, as well as adjustments to license exception eligibility for national security-controlled items and revisions to reporting requirements. **This rule is effective September 11, 2020.**

[Exelon Generation Company, LLC; Byron Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2; Braidwood Station, Units 1 and 2](#)

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Reference ASME, ASTM

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing an exemption in response to a September 30, 2019, request from Exelon Generation Company, LLC (Exelon) from regulatory requirements to allow Byron Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2, and Braidwood Station, Units 1 and 2, to use an alternative methodology for determining reactor coolant system pressure-temperature limits. The methodology is described in AREVA NP Topical Report BAW-2308, Revisions 1-A and 2-A, "Initial RTNDT of Linde 80 Weld Materials." **The exemption was issued on August 31, 2020.**

[Applications and Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses and Combined Licenses Involving Proposed No Significant Hazards Considerations and Containing Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguards Information and Order Imposing Procedures for Access to Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguards Information](#)

Published 9/8/2020

Reference ASME

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) received and is considering approval of two amendment requests. The amendment requests are for Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3 and Beaver Valley Power Station, Unit 2. For each amendment request, the NRC proposes to determine that they involve no significant hazards consideration. Because each amendment request contains sensitive unclassified non-safeguards information (SUNSI) an order imposes procedures to obtain access to SUNSI for contention preparation. **Comments must be filed by October 8, 2020. A request for a hearing or petitions for leave to intervene must be filed by November 9, 2020. Any potential party as defined in section 2.4 of title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) who believes access to SUNSI is necessary to respond to this notice must request document access by September 18, 2020.**

[Oil and Gas Site Security, Oil Measurement, and Gas Measurement Regulations](#)

Published 9/10/2020

Reference ASTM, IEC, ISO, NIST

On November 17, 2016, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) published in the Federal Register three final rules dealing with onshore oil and gas measurement and site security. In accordance with Executive Order 13783, Promoting Energy Independence and Economic Growth (March 28, 2017), and Secretary's Order No. 3349, American Energy Independence, (March 29, 2017), the BLM reviewed the affected regulations to determine if certain provisions may have added regulatory burdens that unnecessarily encumber energy production, constrain economic growth, and prevent job creation. As a result of this review, and in light of implementation issues that have arisen, the BLM is now proposing to modify certain provisions to reduce unnecessary and burdensome regulatory requirements. **Send your comments on this proposed rule to the BLM on or before November 9, 2020. Information Collection Requirements: If you wish to comment on the information collection requirements in this proposed rule, please note that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information contained in this proposed rule between 30 and 60 days after publication of this proposed rule in the Federal Register. Therefore, comments should be submitted to OMB by October 13, 2020.**

[Biweekly Notice; Applications and Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses and Combined Licenses Involving no Significant Hazards Considerations](#)

Published 9/8/2020

Reference NFPA

Pursuant to section 189.a.(2) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is publishing this regular biweekly notice. The Act requires the Commission to publish notice of any amendments issued, or proposed to be issued, and grants the Commission the authority to issue and make immediately effective any amendment to an operating license or combined license, as applicable, upon a determination by the Commission that such amendment involves no significant hazards consideration (NSHC), notwithstanding the pendency before the Commission of a request for a hearing from any person. This biweekly notice includes all amendments issued, or proposed to be issued, from August 11, 2020, to August 24, 2020. The last biweekly notice was published on August 25, 2020. **Comments must be filed by October 8, 2020. A request for a hearing or petitions for leave to intervene must be filed by November 9, 2020.**

[Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology; Meeting](#)

Published 9/10/2020

Reference NIST

National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)'s Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology (VCAT or Committee) will meet on Tuesday, October 20, 2020, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

[Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Child Restraint Systems Denial of Petition for Rulemaking](#)

Published 9/8/2020

Reference SAE

This document denies a petition for rulemaking from SafeGuard/IMMI (formerly Indiana Mills and Manufacturing, Inc.) and C.E. White requesting that NHTSA amend Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 213, "Child restraint systems," to provide for "school bus built-in belt-positioning seats." Under the petitioners' suggested amendment, a school bus built-in belt positioning seat would be a type of "booster seat" and would consist of a school bus seat with a lap/shoulder belt and a shoulder belt height adjuster. The agency is denying the petition because under the requested amendment, designs would be permitted that do not provide the full benefits of booster seats, namely the proper positioning of the child on the vehicle seat to improve the fit of the lap belt to mitigate the risk of abdominal injuries in a crash. **Date: September 8, 2020.**
