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Items of Interest

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

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Reference ASME

Pursuant to Section 189a. (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 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, notwithstanding the pendency before the Commission of a request for a hearing from any person. This biweekly notice includes all notices of amendments issued, or proposed to be issued from June 13, 2013 to June 26, 2013. The last biweekly notice was published on June 25, 2013 (78 FR 38078).

[Energy Efficiency Design Standards for New Federal Commercial and Multi-Family High-Rise Residential Buildings](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASHRAE, ASTM

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is publishing this final rule to implement provisions in the Energy Conservation and Production Act (ECPA) that require DOE to update the baseline Federal energy efficiency performance standards for the construction of new Federal commercial and multi-family high-rise residential buildings. This rule updates the baseline Federal commercial standard to the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) Standard 90.1-2010. **This rule is effective September 9, 2013. The incorporation by reference of certain publications in the rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of September 9, 2013.**

[Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Test Procedures for Residential Furnaces and Boilers](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASHRAE, IEC

On February 4, 2013, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPR) to amend its test procedure for residential furnaces and boilers, which serves as the basis for today's action. This final rule amends that test procedure by adopting new equations to facilitate calculation of the annual fuel utilization efficiency (AFUE) for certain classes of products when omitting specified heat-up and cool-down tests, as allowed under the test procedure if applicable criteria are met. The relevant industry test procedure, which is incorporated by reference in the current DOE test procedure, lacks equations necessary for the calculation of the heating seasonal efficiency (which contributes to the ultimate calculation of AFUE) of two-stage and modulating condensing furnaces or boilers when the option to omit the heat-up and cool-down tests is employed. This final rule revises the DOE test procedure to rectify this omission by adopting additional equations for the calculation of the part-load efficiencies at the maximum input rate and reduced input rates for two-stage and modulating

condensing furnaces and boilers when the manufacturer chooses to omit the heat-up and cool-down tests under the test procedure. **The effective date of this rule is August 9, 2013. The compliance date for use of the amended test procedure for purposes of compliance with energy conservation standards, as well as representations of energy efficiency or energy use, is January 6, 2014. Voluntary early compliance is permitted.**

[Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Test Procedures for Refrigerators, Refrigerator-Freezers, and Freezers](#)

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Reference ANSI, IEC

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) today is issuing a notice of proposed rulemaking to amend the test procedures for refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers, and freezers that will be required for the testing of products starting September 15, 2014. DOE is proposing to amend the test procedure to address products with multiple compressors and to allow an alternative method for measuring and calculating energy consumption for refrigerator-freezers and refrigerators with freezer compartments. DOE is also proposing to amend certain aspects of the test procedure in order to ensure better test accuracy and repeatability. Additionally, DOE is soliciting comment on a potential test procedure to measure the energy use associated with making ice with an automatic icemaker. If adopted, that procedure would become effective in conjunction with any parallel energy conservation standards rulemaking that DOE would need to conduct pursuant to the six-year review process mandated under Federal law. **DOE will hold a public meeting on July 25, 2013, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., in Washington, DC. The meeting will also be broadcast as a webinar. See section V, "Public Participation," for webinar registration information, participant instructions, and information about the capabilities available to webinar participants. DOE will accept comments, data, and information regarding this notice of proposed rulemaking before and after the public meeting, but no later than September 23, 2013. See section V, "Public Participation," for details.**

[Proposed Revisions to Design of Structures, Components, Equipment and Systems](#)

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Reference ASME

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is revising and soliciting public comment on Section 3.12, "ASME Code Class 1, 2 and 3 Piping Systems, Piping Components and their Associated Supports," of NUREG-0800, "Standard Review Plan for the Review of Safety Analysis Reports for Nuclear Power Plants: LWR Edition." **Submit comments by August 9, 2013. Comments received after this date will be considered, if it is practical to do so, but the Commission is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date.**

[In the Matter of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC; \(Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3\); Confirmatory Order Modifying License](#)

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Reference NFPA

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (Duke, Licensee) is the holder of Renewed Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-38, DPR-47, and DPR-55 issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) pursuant to Part 50 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR), "Domestic Licensing of Production and Utilization Facilities," on May 23, 2000. The licenses authorize the operation of Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3, in accordance with the conditions specified therein. The facilities are located on the Licensee's site in Seneca, South Carolina. On December 29, 2010, the NRC issued Amendment Nos. 371, 373, and 372 to Renewed Facility Operating Licenses DPR-38, DPR-47, and DPR-55, for the Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3, respectively (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML103630612). The amendments consisted of changes to the licenses and Technical Specifications to allow Duke to maintain a fire protection program (FPP) in accordance with 10 CFR 50.48(c). Condition 3.D, Fire Protection, Transition License Condition 1 required Duke to complete the items

described in Section 2.9, Table 2.9-1, "Implementation Items," in the NRC safety evaluation dated December 29, 2010, prior to January 1, 2013.

[In the Matter of FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company; Beaver Valley Power Station; Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation; Order Modifying License \(Effective Immediately\)](#)

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Reference ASME

Issuance Of Order For Implementation Of Additional Security Measures And Fingerprinting For Unescorted Access To First Energy Nuclear Operating Company.

[Sunshine Act Meeting](#)

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Reference NFPA

The Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (CSB) will convene a public meeting on Thursday, July 25, 2013, starting at 9:30 a.m. EDT at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center, Horizon Room, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20004. Between 9:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m., the Board will consider and vote on the status designations of the following three recommendations issued by the CSB to the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration: (1) 2001-05-I-DE-1 (revision of Process Safety Management standard to clarify coverage of atmospheric storage tanks connected to process vessels); (2) 2005-04-I-TX-9 (revision of Process Safety Management standard to require management of change reviews for certain organizational changes); and (3) 2010-07-I-CT-1 (issuance of a general industry and construction standards for fuel gas safety). **Time and Date: July 25, 2013, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EDT.**

[Certain Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Results of 2011-2012 Antidumping Duty Administrative Review](#)

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Reference ASTM, SAE

The Department of Commerce ("Department") is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain hot-rolled carbon steel flat products ("hot-rolled steel") from the People's Republic of China ("PRC"), covering the period of review ("POR") November 1, 2011 through October 31, 2012. The Department preliminarily determines that Baosteel Group Corporation, Shanghai Baosteel International Economic & Trading Co., Ltd., and Baoshan Iron and Steel Co., Ltd. (collectively, "Baosteel") had no shipments of subject merchandise to the United States during the POR. **Effective Date: July 15, 2013.**

[Petition for Rulemaking To Eliminate Accessible Cords on Window Covering Products](#)

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Reference ANSI

The Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC or Commission) received a petition requesting the Commission to: promulgate a mandatory standard that prohibits any window covering cords, when a feasible cordless alternative exists; and require that all window covering cords be made inaccessible through the use of a passive guardian device when a feasible cordless alternative does not exist. The Commission invites written comments concerning the petition. **The Office of the Secretary must receive comments on the petition by September 13, 2013.**