

U.S. Federal Register Update: April 24 – April 28, 2017

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[Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Coast Boulevard Improvements Project, La Jolla, California](#)

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Reference ANSI, ISO

NMFS has received a request from the City of San Diego for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to Coast Boulevard improvements in La Jolla, California. Pursuant to the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), NMFS is requesting comments on its proposal to issue an IHA to incidentally take marine mammals during the specified activities.

Comments and information must be received no later than May 26, 2017.

[Certain Hardwood Plywood Products From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination, Preliminary Affirmative Critical Circumstances Determination, in Part, and Alignment of Final Determination With Final Antidumping Duty Determination](#)

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Reference ANSI

The Department of Commerce (Department) preliminarily determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of certain hardwood plywood products (hardwood plywood) from the People's Republic of China (PRC). The period of investigation is January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015. **Effective April 25, 2017.**

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

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Reference ASME, IEEE

Pursuant to 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, 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 March 28, 2017, to April 10, 2017. The last biweekly notice was published on April 11, 2017. **Comments must be filed by May 25, 2017. A request for a hearing must be filed by June 26, 2017.**

[Service Level I, II, III, and In-Scope License Renewal Protective Coatings Applied to Nuclear Power Plants](#)

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Reference ASTM

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing Revision 3 of Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.54, "Service Level I, II, III, and In-Scope License Renewal Protective Coatings Applied to Nuclear Power Plants." This RG describes a method the staff of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) considers acceptable for the selection, application, qualification, inspection, and maintenance of protective coatings applied to nuclear power plants (NPPs). **Revision 3 of RG 1.54 is available on April 25, 2017.**

[Carton-Closing Staples From the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation](#)

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Reference ASTM

On March 31, 2017, the Department of Commerce (the Department) received an antidumping duty (AD) petition concerning imports of carton-closing staples from the People's Republic of China (PRC), filed in proper form on behalf of North American Steel & Wire, Inc./ISM Enterprises (the petitioner). The petitioner is a producer of carton-closing staples.

On April 4, 2017, the Department requested additional information and clarification of certain areas of the Petition. The petitioner filed responses to the request on April 6, 2017.

In accordance with section 732(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), the petitioner alleges that imports of carton-closing staples from the PRC are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value within the meaning of section 731 of the Act, and that imports of carton-closing staples from the PRC are materially injuring, or threaten material injury to, the domestic industry producing carton-closing staples in the United States. Also, consistent with section 732(b)(1) of the Act, the Petition is accompanied by information reasonably available to the petitioner supporting its allegations.

The Department finds that the petitioner filed this Petition on behalf of the domestic industry because the petitioner is an interested party as defined in section 771(9)(C) of the Act. The Department also finds that the petitioner demonstrated sufficient industry support with respect to the initiation of the AD investigation that the petitioner is requesting. **Effective April 20, 2017.**

Phosphor Copper From the Republic of Korea: Antidumping Duty Order

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Reference ASTM

Based on an affirmative final determination by the Department of Commerce (“Department”) and the International Trade Commission (“ITC”), the Department is issuing the antidumping duty order on phosphor copper from the Republic of Korea (“Korea”). **Effective April 24, 2017.**

Sunshine Act Meeting

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1. Agendas for future meetings: none.
2. Minutes.
3. Ratification List.
4. Vote in Inv. Nos. 731-TA-540 and 541 (Fourth Review) (Welded ASTM A-312 Stainless Steel Pipe from Korea and Taiwan). The Commission is currently scheduled to complete and file its determinations and views of the Commission by May 12, 2017.
5. Outstanding action jackets: none.

In accordance with Commission policy, subject matter listed above, not disposed of at the scheduled meeting, may be carried over to the agenda of the following meeting. **Date: April 27, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.**
