U.S. Federal Register Update: June 19 – June 23, 2017

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SGS North America, Inc.: Grant of Expansion of Recognition

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Reference ANSI, UL

In this notice, OSHA announces its final decision to expand the scope of recognition for SGS North America, Inc., as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL). The expansion of the scope of recognition becomes effective on June 21, 2017.

<u>Certain Hardwood Plywood Products From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Critical Circumstances, in Part</u>

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Reference ANSI

The Department of Commerce (the Department) preliminarily determines that certain hardwood plywood products (hardwood plywood) from the People's Republic of China (PRC) are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation (POI) is April 1, 2016, through September 30, 2016. **Effective June 23, 2017.**

<u>Biweekly Notice: Applications and Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses and Combined Licenses Involving No</u>
Significant Hazards Considerations

Published 6/19/2017 Reference ASME, NFPA

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 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 May 23, 2017, to June 2, 2017. The last biweekly notice was published on June 6, 2017. Comments must be filed by July 19, 2017. A request for a hearing must be filed by August 18, 2017.

Correction to Incorporations by Reference

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Reference ASTM

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is taking action to correct paragraph numbering in the Incorporations by Reference (IBR) section of our regulations that specifically lists material that can be purchased from the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM). This action assigns the appropriate IBR paragraph numbers by correcting paragraph ordering errors. **Effective: June 23, 2017.**

Amendment to Standards and Practices for All Appropriate Inquiries Under CERCLA

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Reference ASTM

EPA is taking direct final action to amend the Standards and Practices for All Appropriate Inquiries to update an existing reference to a standard practice recently revised by ASTM International, a widely recognized standards development organization. Specifically, this direct final rule amends the All Appropriate Inquiries Rule to reference ASTM International's E2247-16 "Standard Practice for Environmental Site Assessments: Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Process for Forestland or Rural Property" and allow for its use to satisfy the statutory requirements for conducting all appropriate inquiries under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA). **This rule is effective**

on September 18, 2017, without further notice, unless EPA receives adverse comment by July 20, 2017. If EPA receives such comment, we will publish a timely withdrawal in the Federal Register informing the public that this direct final rule will not take effect.

Accreditation and Approval of Camin Cargo Control, Inc., as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory

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Reference ASTM

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Camin Cargo Control, Inc., has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of September 28, 2016. The accreditation and approval of Camin Cargo Control, Inc., as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on September 28, 2016. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for September 2019.

Accreditation of SGS North America, Inc., as a Commercial Laboratory

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Reference ASTM

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that SGS North America, Inc., has been accredited to test petroleum, petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes for the next three years as of August 11, 2016. The accreditation of SGS North America, Inc., as commercial laboratory became effective on August 11, 2016. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for August 2019.

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Accreditation and Approval of SGS North America, Inc., as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory

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Reference ASTM

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that SGS North America, Inc., has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes for the next three years as of January 14, 2017. The accreditation and approval of SGS North America, Inc., as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on January 18, 2017. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for January 2020.

Accreditation and Approval of Intertek USA, Inc., as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory

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Reference ASTM

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Intertek USA, Inc., has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes for the next three years as of April 5, 2016. The accreditation and approval of Intertek USA, Inc., as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on April 5, 2016. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for April 2019.

<u>Interpretative Bulletin for Model Manufactured Home Installation Standards Foundation Requirements in Freezing</u>
<u>Temperature Areas Under 24 CFR 3285.312(b)</u>

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Reference ASTM

The purpose of this proposed Interpretative Bulletin (IB) is to provide guidance for designing and installing manufactured home foundations in areas subject to freezing temperatures with seasonal ground freezing, in accordance with the Model Manufactured Home Installation Standards, wherever soil conditions are susceptible to frost heave. Specifically, this guidance is being provided for designing and installing manufactured home foundation systems in areas where frost susceptible seasonally frozen ground conditions are encountered and when footings do not extend below the frost depth at the site. These types of foundation systems include monolithic slab systems, "frost-protected shallow foundations" (FPSF)—insulated foundations, and alternative foundation systems that include foundation variations termed by industry as frost free footing systems or frost free foundations (FFF). Guidance is also being provided in this interpretative bulletin for installing manufactured home foundations, when non-frost susceptible soil conditions are available at the site to protect foundations against the effects of frost heave. **Comment Due Date: August 21, 2017.**

Solicitation for a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement for the Transfer and Use of a Unique Infrared Laser

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Reference IEEE

The U.S. Army's Aviation and Missile Research, Development, and Engineering Center (AMRDEC) announces its intent to enter into a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) and seeks inquiries and proposals from potential partners. The goal of this CRADA will be the transfer of a one-of-a-kind infrared laser from AMRDEC to the partner's facilities and the cooperative demonstration of a new remote sensing methodology using this laser. **Preliminary inquiries and comments from potential partners must be received by August 1, 2017.**

Spartan Motors USA, Inc., Grant of Petition for Decision of Inconsequential Noncompliance

Published 6/23/2017

Reference NFPA

Spartan Motors USA, Inc. (Spartan), has determined that certain model year (MY) 2017 Spartan Emergency Response Metro Star motor vehicles do not fully comply with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 120, Tire selection and rims and motor home/recreation vehicle trailer load carrying capacity information for motor vehicles with a GVWR of more than 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds). Spartan filed a noncompliance information report dated December 6, 2016. Spartan also petitioned NHTSA on January 4, 2017, for a decision that the subject noncompliance is inconsequential as it relates to motor vehicle safety.

Curtis-Strauss LLC: Application for Expansion of Recognition

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Reference UL

In this notice, OSHA announces the application of Curtis-Strauss LLC for expansion of its recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) and presents the Agency's preliminary finding to grant the application. **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 6, 2017.**