

U.S. Federal Register Update: June 26 – June 30, 2017

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[Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to the Central Bay Operations and Maintenance Facility Project](#)

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Reference ANSI, ISO

NMFS has received a request from the San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA) for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to construction activities as part of its Central Bay Operations and Maintenance Facility project. Pursuant to the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), NMFS is requesting public comment on its proposal to issue an incidental harassment authorization (IHA) to WETA to incidentally take marine mammals, by Level A and Level B harassment only, during the specified activity. NMFS will consider public comments prior to making any final decision on the issuance of the requested MMPA authorizations and a agency responses will be summarized in the final notice of our decision. **Comments and information must be received no later than July 31, 2017.**

[Occupational Exposure to Beryllium and Beryllium Compounds in Construction and Shipyard Sectors](#)

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Reference ANSI

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) proposes to revoke the ancillary provisions for the construction and the shipyard sectors that OSHA adopted on January 9, 2017 but retain the new lower permissible exposure limit (PEL) of 0.2 µg/m³ and the short term exposure limit (STEL) of 2.0 µg/m³ for each sector. OSHA will not enforce the January 9, 2017 shipyard and construction standards without further notice while this new rulemaking is underway. This proposal does not affect the general industry beryllium standard published on January 9, 2017. **Written comments. Written comments, including comments on the information collection determination described in Section VII of the preamble (OMB Review under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995), must be submitted (postmarked, sent, or received) by August 28, 2017.**

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

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Reference AHAM , UL

The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") is initiating a data collection process through this request for information to consider whether to amend DOE's test procedures for consumer refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers, and freezers. To inform interested parties and to facilitate this process, DOE has gathered data, identifying several issues associated with the currently applicable test procedures on which DOE is interested in receiving comment. The issues outlined in this document mainly concern testing products with newly-available features, the inclusion of automatic icemaker energy use, built-in product test configuration, any issues with the current test procedure that need to be addressed, and any additional topics that may inform DOE's decisions in a future test procedure rulemaking, including methods to reduce regulatory burden while ensuring the procedure's accuracy. DOE welcomes written comments from the public on any subject within the scope of this document (including topics not raised in this request for information). **Written comments and information are requested and will be accepted on or before July 31, 2017.**

[Energy Labeling Rule](#)

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Reference AHAM, ASME

The Commission issues amendments to the Energy Labeling Rule to eliminate certain marking requirements for plumbing products and to exempt certain ceiling fans from labeling requirements. Additionally, the amendments update the Rule to include labeling requirements for electric instantaneous water heaters. The Commission also makes non-substantive, conforming changes to the testing provisions for LED covered lamps and minor corrections to other provisions. **This rule is effective on December 26, 2017, except for the amendments to Sec. 305.13, which are effective on September 17, 2018, and the amendments to Sec. 305.16, which are effective on July 28, 2017.**

[Finished Carbon Steel Flanges From India: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination](#)

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Reference ASME, ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Department) determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of finished carbon steel flanges (flanges) from India. The period of investigation is April 1, 2015, through March 31, 2016. **Effective June 29, 2017.**

[Finished Carbon Steel Flanges From Italy: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value](#)

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Reference ASME, ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Department) determines that imports of finished carbon steel flanges (flanges) from Italy are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The final estimated weighted-average dumping margins of sales at LTFV are listed below in the section entitled "Final Determination." The period of investigation is April 1, 2015, through March 31, 2016. **Effective June 29, 2017.**

[Finished Carbon Steel Flanges From India: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value](#)

Published 6/29/2017

Reference ASME, ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Department) determines that imports of finished carbon steel flanges (flanges) from India are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The final estimated weighted-average dumping margins of sales at LTFV are listed below in the section entitled "Final Determination." The period of investigation is April 1, 2015, through March 31, 2016. **Effective June 29, 2017.**

[Welded ASTM A-312 Stainless Steel Pipe From South Korea and Taiwan: Continuation of Antidumping Duty Orders](#)

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Reference ASTM

The Department of the Commerce (the Department) and the International Trade Commission (the ITC) have determined that revocation of the antidumping duty (AD) orders on certain welded stainless steel pipe from South Korea and Taiwan would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and material injury to an industry in the United States. Therefore, the Department is publishing a notice of continuation for these AD orders.

[Hazardous Materials: Notice of Applications for Special Permits](#)

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Reference ISO

In accordance with the procedures governing the application for, and the processing of, special permits from the Department of Transportation's Hazardous Material Regulations, notice is hereby given that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety has received the application described herein. Each mode of transportation for which a particular special permit is requested is indicated by a number in the "Nature of Application" portion of the table below as follows: 1—Motor vehicle, 2—Rail freight, 3—Cargo vessel, 4—Cargo aircraft only, 5—Passenger-carrying aircraft. **Comments must be received on or before July 11, 2017.**

[Orders Granting Authority To Import and Export Natural Gas, To Import and Export Liquefied Natural Gas, and Vacating Prior Authorization During April 2017](#)

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Reference ISO

The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy gives notice that during April 2017, it issued orders granting authority to import and export natural gas, to import and export liquefied natural gas (LNG), and vacating authority. These orders are summarized in the attached appendix and may be found on the FE Web site at <http://energy.gov/fe/listing-doefe-authorizations-orders-issued-2017>.
