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Electric Reliability Organization Proposal To Retire Requirements in Reliability Standards Under the NERC Standards Efficiency Review
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Reference ANSI
The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) approves the retirement of 18 Reliability Standard requirements identified by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), the Commission-certified Electric Reliability Organization. The Commission also remands proposed Reliability Standard FAC-008-4 for further consideration by NERC. The Commission takes no action at this time on the proposed retirement of 56 MOD A Reliability Standard requirements. This rule is effective December 14, 2020.

Pipeline Safety: Class Location Change Requirements
Published 10/14/2020
Reference ANSI, ASME
In response to public input received as part of the rulemaking process, PHMSA is proposing to revise the Federal Pipeline Safety Regulations to amend the requirements for gas transmission pipeline segments that experience a change in class location. Under the existing regulations, pipeline segments located in areas where the population density has significantly increased must perform one of the following actions: Reduce the pressure of the pipeline segment, pressure test the pipeline segment to higher standards, or replace the pipeline segment. This proposed rule would add an alternative set of requirements operators could use, based on implementing integrity management principles and pipe eligibility criteria, to manage certain pipeline segments where the class location has changed from a Class 1 location to a Class 3 location. Through required periodic assessments, repair criteria, and other extra preventive and mitigative measures, PHMSA expects this alternative approach would provide long-term safety benefits consistent with the current natural gas pipeline safety rules while also providing cost savings for pipeline operators. Persons interested in submitting written comments on this proposed rule must do so by December 14, 2020. Late-filed comments will be considered to the extent practicable.

Miscellaneous Corrections
Published 10/16/2020
Reference ASME
The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is amending its regulations to make miscellaneous corrections. These changes include redesignating footnotes, correcting references, typographical errors, nomenclature, titles, email addresses, and contact information. This document is necessary to inform the public of these non-substantive amendments to the NRC’s regulations. This final rule is effective on November 16, 2020.

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet from Slovenia: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Postponement of Final Determination, and Extension of Provisional Measures
Published 10/15/2020
Reference ASTM
The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Slovenia is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. Applicable October 15, 2020.

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From South Africa: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Postponement of Final Determination, and Extension of Provisional Measures
Published 10/15/2020
Reference ASTM
The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from South Africa is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of
The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from the Republic of Korea (Korea) is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation (POI) is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. **Applicable October 15, 2020.**

**Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Indonesia: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Critical Circumstances**

Published 10/15/2020  
Reference ASTM  
The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Indonesia is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation (POI) is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. **Applicable October 15, 2020.**

**Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Romania: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value**

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Reference ASTM  
The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Romania is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. **Applicable October 15, 2020.**

**Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Taiwan: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Preliminary Negative Determination of Critical Circumstances, Postponement of Final Determination, and Extension of Provisional Measures**

Published 10/15/2020  
Reference ASTM  
The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Taiwan is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. **Applicable October 15, 2020.**

**Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Spain: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Postponement of Final Determination, and Extension of Provisional Measures**

Published 10/15/2020  
Reference ASTM  
The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Spain is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. **Applicable October 15, 2020.**

**Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Bahrain: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Postponement of Final Determination, and Extension of Provisional Measures**

Published 10/15/2020  
Reference ASTM  
The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Bahrain is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is
The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Greece is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation (POI) is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. **Applicable October 15, 2020.**

**Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Egypt: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Postponement of Final Determination, and Extension of Provisional Measures**

*Published 10/15/2020*

*Reference ASTM*

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Egypt is being, or is likely to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. **Applicable October 15, 2020.**

**Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Croatia: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Postponement of Final Determination, and Extension of Provisional Measures**

*Published 10/15/2020*

*Reference ASTM*

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Croatia is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. **Applicable October 15, 2020.**

**Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From the Sultanate of Oman: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Negative Determination of Critical Circumstances, and Postponement of Final Determination**

*Published 10/15/2020*

*Reference ASTM*

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from the Sultanate of Oman (Oman) is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. **Applicable October 15, 2020.**

**Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Serbia: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Postponement of Final Determination, and Extension of Provisional Measures**

*Published 10/15/2020*

*Reference ASTM*

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Serbia is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. **Applicable October 15, 2020.**

**Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Germany: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Postponement of Final Determination, and Extension of Provisional Measures**

*Published 10/15/2020*

*Reference ASTM*

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Germany is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. **Applicable October 15, 2020.**
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Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Italy: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Postponement of Final Determination, and Extension of Provisional Measures  
Published 10/15/2020  
Reference ASTM  
The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Italy is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation (POI) is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. Applicable October 15, 2020.

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Brazil: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Postponement of Final Determination, and Extension of Provisional Measures  
Published 10/15/2020  
Reference ASTM  
The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Brazil is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. Applicable October 15, 2020.

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Turkey: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Preliminary Negative Determination of Critical Circumstances, Postponement of Final Determination, and Extension of Provisional Measures  
Published 10/15/2020  
Reference ASTM  
The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Turkey is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. Applicable October 15, 2020.

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From India: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Postponement of Final Determination, and Extension of Provisional Measures  
Published 10/15/2020  
Reference ASTM  
The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from India is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. Applicable October 15, 2020.

Rule Modifications Reflecting New Address Location of Commission Headquarters  
Published 10/13/2020  
Reference ASTM  
In this document, the Office of Managing Director of the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) adopts an Order that amends the Commission’s rules to reflect the upcoming new address of the Commission’s headquarters, 45 L Street NE, Washington, DC 20554. It also makes changes to clarify that certain documents are now available for inspection through the Commission’s website, removes references to a Commission copy contractor, and performs minor formatting corrections. Effective October 13, 2020.

Select Updates for Biocompatibility of Certain Devices in Contact With Intact Skin; Draft Guidance for Industry and Food and Drug Administration Staff; Availability  
Published 10/15/2020  
Reference ISO
The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or Agency) is announcing the availability of the draft guidance entitled “Select Updates for Biocompatibility of Certain Devices in Contact with Intact Skin.” FDA has developed this draft guidance to propose select updates to FDA’s current thinking regarding the type of biocompatibility information that should be provided in a premarket submission for certain devices made from common polymers and fabrics that are in contact with intact skin. This draft guidance is not final nor is it in effect at this time. Submit either electronic or written comments on the draft guidance by December 14, 2020 to ensure that the Agency considers your comment on this draft guidance before it begins work on the final version of the guidance.

Request for Nominations for Voting Members on Public Advisory Panels or Committees; Device Good Manufacturing Practice Advisory Committee and the Medical Devices Advisory Committee

Published 10/15/2020
Reference ISO

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is requesting nominations for voting members to serve on the Device Good Manufacturing Practice Advisory Committee (DGMPAC) and the Medical Devices Advisory Committee (MDAC) device panels in the Center for Devices and Radiological Health. This annual notice is also in accordance with the 21st Century Cures Act, which requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services (the Secretary) to provide an annual opportunity for patients, representatives of patients, and sponsors of medical devices that may be specifically the subject of a review by a classification panel to provide recommendations for individuals with appropriate expertise to fill voting member positions on classification panels. FDA seeks to include the views of women and men, members of all racial and ethnic groups, and individuals with and without disabilities on its advisory committees, and therefore, encourages nominations of appropriately qualified candidates from these groups. Nominations received on or before December 14, 2020 will be given first consideration for membership on the DGMPAC and Panels of the MDAC. Nominations received after December 14, 2020 will be considered for nomination to the committee as later vacancies occur.

Medicare and Medicaid Programs: Application from DNV-GL Healthcare USA, Inc. for Continued Approval of its Critical Access Hospital Accreditation Program

Published 10/16/2020
Reference NFPA

This final notice announces our decision to approve DNV-GL Healthcare USA, Inc. (DNV-GL) for continued recognition as a national accrediting organization for critical access hospitals that wish to participate in the Medicare or Medicaid programs. The approval announced in this notice is effective December 23, 2020 through December 23, 2024.

Flow Cytometry Standards Consortium

Published 10/13/2020
Reference NIST

The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), an agency of the United States Department of Commerce, in support of efforts to develop standards for regenerative medicine and advanced therapies, is establishing the Flow Cytometry Standards Consortium (“Consortium”). The Consortium will bring together stakeholders to identify and address measurement and standards needs related to flow cytometry used in the characterization and testing of cell and gene therapies. The Consortium efforts are intended to develop measurement solutions and standards to improve measurement confidence, establish measurement traceability, and enable comparability in flow cytometry measurements. Participation fees will be at least $25,000 annually or in-kind contributions of equivalent value. Participants will be required to sign a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA). The Consortium’s activities will commence on December 1, 2020 (“Commencement Date”). NIST will accept letters of interest to participate in this Consortium on an ongoing basis.

Proposed Amendments to the National Market System Plan Governing the Consolidated Audit Trail To Enhance Data Security

Published 10/16/2020
Reference NIST

The Securities and Exchange Commission is proposing amendments to the national market system plan governing the consolidated audit trail. The proposed amendments are designed to enhance the security of the consolidated audit trail. Comments should be received on or before November 30, 2020.
Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations
Published 10/13/2020
Reference NIST
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as part of its continuing effort to reduce public burden and maximize the utility of government information, invites the general public and other Federal agencies the opportunity to comment on a proposed and/or continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This notice invites comment on a proposed information collection project titled The National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System (NNDSS). The NNDSS is the nation's public health surveillance system that monitors the occurrence and spread of diseases and conditions that are nationally notifiable or under standard surveillance. CDC must receive written comments on or before December 14, 2020.

Revision of Delegations of Authority
Published 10/15/2020
Reference NIST
This document revises the delegations of authority from the Secretary of Agriculture and general officers of the Department of Agriculture (USDA) to reflect changes and additions to the delegations required by the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 and for other purposes, as summarized below. Effective October 15, 2020.