

## U.S. Federal Register Update: April 20 – April 24, 2020

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### [Energy Efficiency Program for Industrial Equipment: Test Procedures for Fans, Notice of Petition for Rulemaking](#)

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**Reference** ANSI, ASHRAE, ISO

This document announces receipt of a petition received by DOE on January 10, 2020, from the Air Movement and Control Association (AMCA), International, Air Conditioning Contractors of America, and Sheet Metal & Air Conditioning Contractors of America requesting that DOE establish a Federal test procedure for commercial and industrial fans. The petition, which appears at the end of this document, requests that DOE resume a previous DOE rulemaking effort to establish a Federal test procedure for commercial and industrial fans, and that such test procedure be based on an upcoming industry test method. This document summarizes the substantive aspects of this position and requests public comments on the merits of the petition. **DOE will accept comments, data, and information with respect to the AMCA Petition until May 26, 2020.**

### [Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Single Package Vertical Units](#)

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**Reference** ANSI, ASHRAE

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is initiating an effort to determine whether to amend the current energy conservation standards for single package vertical air conditioners (SPVACs) and single package vertical heat pumps (SPVHPs), collectively referred to as single package vertical units (SPVUs). This request for information (RFI) solicits information from the public to help DOE determine whether amended standards for SPVUs, a category of covered commercial equipment, would result in significant additional energy savings and whether such standards would be technologically feasible and economically justified. DOE welcomes written comments from the public on any subject within the scope of this document (including those topics not specifically raised in this RFI), as well as the submission of data and other relevant information. **Written comments and information are requested and will be accepted on or before June 23, 2020.**

### [Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Alaska Marine Lines Lutak Dock Project, Haines, Alaska](#)

**Published** 4/21/2020

**Reference** ANSI

In accordance with the regulations implementing the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) as amended, notification is hereby given that NMFS has issued an incidental harassment authorization (IHA) to Alaska Marine Lines, Inc. (AML) to incidentally harass, by Level A and Level B harassment, marine mammals during pile driving activities associated with the Lutak Dock Project in Haines, Alaska. **This authorization is effective from June 15, 2020 through June 14, 2021.**

### [Revisions to Safety Standard for Sling Carriers](#)

**Published** 4/20/2020

**Reference** ASTM

In January 2017, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) published a consumer product safety standard for sling carriers under section 104 of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA). The standard incorporated by reference the ASTM voluntary standard that was in effect for sling carriers at the time, with an additional requirement for warning label attachment. ASTM has since revised the voluntary standard for sling carriers. The CPSIA provides a process for when a voluntary standards organization updates a standard that the Commission incorporated by reference in a section 104 rule. Consistent with that process, this direct final rule revises the mandatory standard for sling carriers to incorporate by reference the updated version of the ASTM standard, while retaining the additional requirement for warning label attachment. **The rule is effective on July 6, 2020, unless CPSC receives a significant adverse comment by May 20, 2020. If CPSC receives such a comment, it will publish a document in the Federal Register, withdrawing this direct final rule before its effective date. The incorporation by reference of the publication listed in this rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of July 6, 2020.**

### [Certain Non-Refillable Steel Cylinders From the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation](#)

Published 4/22/2020

Reference ISO

On March 27, 2020, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) received an antidumping duty (AD) petition concerning imports of certain non-refillable steel cylinders (non-refillable cylinders) from the People's Republic of China (China), filed in proper form on behalf of Worthington Industries (the petitioner). The Petition was accompanied by a countervailing duty (CVD) petition concerning imports of non-refillable cylinders from China. **Applicable April 16, 2020.**

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### [Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology](#)

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Reference NIST

National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)'s Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology (VCAT or Committee) will meet on Tuesday, June 9, 2020, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, and Wednesday, June 10, 2020, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time. **The VCAT will meet on Tuesday, June 9, 2020, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Wednesday, June 10, 2020, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time.**

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### [Electronic Prescriptions for Controlled Substances](#)

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Reference NIST

The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) published an interim final rule in the Federal Register on March 31, 2010, which provides practitioners with the option of writing prescriptions for controlled substances electronically. Since publishing the interim final rule, DEA has received questions and requests for clarification on various issues concerning the implementation and technical requirements for the electronic prescribing of controlled substances. DEA is therefore reopening the March 31, 2010, interim final rule to solicit comments from the public on specific issues outlined below regarding the electronic prescribing of controlled substances in anticipation of subsequently publishing a final rule on these topics. **DEA is reopening a comment period for the interim final rule published March 31, 2010, at 75 FR 16236, which became effective June 1, 2010. Electronic comments must be submitted, and written comments must be postmarked, on or before June 22, 2020. Commenters should be aware that the electronic Federal Docket Management System will not accept comments after 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the last day of the comment period.**

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### [Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records](#)

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Reference NIST

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission or Agency) has modified and renamed an existing system of records, FCC/PSHSB-1, FCC Emergency and Continuity Alerts and Contacts System (ECACS) (formerly: FCC/PSHSB-1, FCC Emergency and Continuity Contacts System (ECCS)), subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended. This action is necessary to meet the requirements of the Privacy Act to publish in the Federal Register notice of the existence and character of records maintained by the Agency. The FCC's Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (PSHSB) uses the information in ECACS to prepare for and coordinate crisis response activities wherever they occur in the United States and its territories. PSHSB is modifying FCC/PSHSB-1 to include information it will use to evaluate the effectiveness of Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA), including participating Commercial Mobile Service Providers' ("providers") implementation of enhanced geo-targeting for WEA. **This action will become effective on April 24, 2020. Written comments on the system's routine uses are due by May 26, 2020. The routine uses in this action will become effective on May 26, 2020 unless written comments are received that require a contrary determination.**

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**Reference** NIST

Individuals Submitting Invoices-Vouchers for Payment and Accounting Transactional Data-VA is a compilation of records received, controlled, managed, and employed for payment processing; general accounting; benefit payment distribution to veterans and their families; commercial vendor invoices for contract and reimbursement expenditures; and payroll payments. **Comments on this modified system of records must be received no later than 30 days after date of publication in the Federal Register. If no public comment is received during the period allowed for comment or unless otherwise published in the Federal Register by VA, the modified system of records will become effective a minimum of 30 days after date of publication in the Federal Register. If VA receives public comments, VA shall review the comments to determine whether any changes to the notice are necessary.**

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### [Expanding Flexible Use of the 3.7 to 4.2 GHz Band](#)

**Published** 4/23/2020

**Reference** NIST

In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) adopts rules to reform the use of the 3.7-4.2 GHz band, also known as the C-Band. By repacking existing satellite operations into the upper 200 megahertz of the band (and reserving a 20 megahertz guard band), the Commission makes 280 megahertz of spectrum available for flexible use throughout the contiguous United States, and does so in a manner that ensures the continuous and uninterrupted delivery of services currently offered in the band. The Commission will hold a public auction to ensure that the public recovers a substantial portion of the value of this resource. And the Commission schedules that auction for later this year, with a robust transition schedule to ensure that a significant amount of spectrum is made available quickly for upcoming 5G deployments. This action is the next critical step in advancing American leadership in 5G and implementing the Commission's comprehensive 5G FAST Plan. The Commission modified the Report and Order released on March 3, 2020 with an erratum released on March 27, 2020 and a second erratum released on April 16, 2020. The changes from the first and second errata are included in this document. **Effective date: June 22, 2020.**

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