Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for General Service Fluorescent Lamps, General Service Incandescent Lamps, Incandescent Reflector Lamp

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The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") is initiating a data collection process through this RFI to consider whether to amend DOE's test procedures for general service fluorescent lamps, general service incandescent lamps, and incandescent reflector lamps. 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 updating industry references in and making clarifications to DOE's test procedures for general service fluorescent lamps, general service incandescent lamps, and incandescent reflector lamps; 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 procedures' accuracy. DOE welcomes written comments from the public on any subject within the scope of this document (including topics not raised in this RFI). Written comments and information are requested and will be accepted on or before September 7, 2017.

Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Dedicated-Purpose Pool Pumps

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On September 20, 2016, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NOPR) to establish a new metric, as well as new definitions, test procedures, certification requirements, enforcement testing procedures, and labeling provisions for dedicated-purpose pool pumps (DPPPs). That proposed rulemaking serves as the basis for the final rule. Specifically, DOE is adopting a test procedure for measuring the weighted energy factor (WEF) for certain varieties of dedicated-purpose pool pumps. This final rule incorporates by reference certain sections of the industry test standard Hydraulic Institute (HI) 40.6-2014, “Methods for Rotodynamic Pump Efficiency Testing” as the basis of the adopted test procedure. The definitions, test procedures, certification requirements, enforcement testing procedures, and labeling provisions are based on the recommendations of the DPPP Working Group, which was established under the Appliance Standards Rulemaking Federal Advisory Committee (ASRAC). The effective date of this rule is September 6, 2017. Compliance with the final rule will be mandatory for representations of WEF and other metrics addressed by the adopted test procedure made on or after February 5, 2018. The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in this rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register on September 6, 2017.

Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to US 101/Chehalis River Bridge-Scour Repair in Washington State

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NMFS has received a request from Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to US 101/Chehalis River Bridge-Scour Repair in Washington State. 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 September 11, 2017.

Public Workshop on Marine Technology and Standards

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The American Society of Mechanical Engineers, in coordination with the United States Coast Guard, is sponsoring a two-day public workshop on marine technology and standards in Washington, DC. This document provides information regarding the workshop, including registration information. The workshop will provide a unique opportunity for industry groups, classification societies, standards development organizations, government organizations, and other interested members of the public to come together for a professional exchange of information on topics ranging from technological impacts on the
marine industry, corresponding coverage in related codes and standards, and government regulations. The two-day workshop will be held on Monday, October 16, 2017, and Tuesday, October 17, 2017. The deadline for advance registration is Monday, October 2, 2017.

**Cast Iron Soil Pipe Fittings From the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation**
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The product covered by this investigation is soil pipe fittings from the PRC. For a full description of the scope of this investigation, see the “Scope of the Investigation,” in the Appendix to this notice. **Applicable August 2, 2017.**

**Cast Iron Soil Pipe Fittings From the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair Value Investigation**
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*Reference ASTM*
The product covered by this investigation is soil pipe fittings from the PRC. For a full description of the scope of this investigation, see the “Scope of the Investigation,” in the Appendix to this notice. **Applicable August 2, 2017.**

**Certain Steel Nails From Malaysia: Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2014-2016**
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*Reference ASTM*
The Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain steel nails from Malaysia. The period of review covers December 29, 2014, through June 30, 2016. The review covers three producers/exporters of the subject merchandise. We preliminarily determine that sales of subject merchandise by the collapsed entities Inmax and Region, both of which were selected for individual examination, were made at less than normal value during the period of review. We are rescinding the review with respect to 16 companies for which the request for review was timely withdrawn. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results. **Applicable August 7, 2017.**