

U.S. Federal Register Update: March 21 – March 25, 2022

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[Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Test Procedures for Central Air Conditioners and Heat Pumps](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASHRAE

The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") proposes to amend the test procedures for central air conditioners and heat pumps that will be required for certification of compliance with applicable energy conservation standards starting January 1, 2023 to address a limited number of specific issues. DOE is seeking comment from interested parties on the proposal. **DOE will accept comments, data, and information regarding this proposal no later than May 23, 2022. See section V, "Public Participation," for details. DOE will hold a webinar on Monday, April 18, 2022, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. See section V, "Public Participation," for webinar registration information, participant instructions, and information about the capabilities available to webinar participants.**

[Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Water Closets and Urinals](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASME, CSA

This final rule amends the test procedures for water closets and urinals to reference the most recent update to the relevant industry standard, American Society of Mechanical Engineers ("ASME") Standard A112.19.2-2018. In this final rule, the Department of Energy ("DOE") is also amending certain definitions and adding definitions for certain terms that are currently used in the Federal test procedures but are not defined. **The effective date of this rule is April 22, 2022. The final rule changes will be mandatory for product testing starting September 19, 2022. The incorporation by reference of certain material listed in this rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of April 22, 2022.**

[Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to the Replacement of Pier 3 at Naval Station Norfolk in Norfolk, Virginia](#)

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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 IHA to the United States Department of the Navy (Navy) to incidentally harass marine mammals during pile driving activities associated with the replacement of Pier 3 at Naval Station Norfolk, in Norfolk, Virginia. **This Authorization is effective from April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023.**

[Certain Carbon and Alloy Steel Cut-To-Length Plate From the People's Republic of China: Final Results of the Expedited First Sunset Review of the Countervailing Duty Order](#)

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Reference ASTM

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) finds that revocation of the countervailing duty (CVD) order on certain carbon and alloy steel cut-to-length plate (CTL plate) from the People's Republic of China (China) would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of countervailing subsidies at the levels indicated in the "Final Results of Sunset Review" section of this notice. **Applicable March 25, 2022.**

[Limited Approval, Limited Disapproval of California Air Plan Revisions; South Coast Air Quality Management District; Refinery Flares](#)

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Reference ASTM

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing a limited approval and limited disapproval of revisions to the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) portion of the California State Implementation Plan (SIP). These revisions concern emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and oxides of nitrogen (NOX) from refinery flares. We are

proposing action on a local rule to regulate these emission sources under the Clean Air Act (CAA or the Act). We are taking comments on this proposal and plan to follow with a final action. **Comments must be received on or before April 25, 2022.**

[National Flood Insurance Program \(NFIP\); Assistance to Private Sector Property Insurers, Notice of FY 2023 Arrangement](#)

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Reference IEC, ISO, NIST

The Federal Emergency Management Agency announces the Fiscal Year 2023 Financial Assistance/Subsidy Arrangement for private property insurers interested in participating in the National Flood Insurance Program's Write Your Own Program.

Interested insurers must submit intent to subscribe or re-subscribe to the Arrangement by June 21, 2022.

[International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Consolidation and Restructuring of Purposes and Definitions](#)

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Reference ISO, NIST

The Department of State is amending the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) to better organize the purposes and definitions of the regulations. This rule consolidates and co-locates authorities, general guidance, and definitions.

Effective date: This interim final rule is effective September 6, 2022. Comment due date: The Department of State will accept comments on this interim final rule until May 9, 2022.

[Cybersecurity Risk Management, Strategy, Governance, and Incident Disclosure](#)

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Reference NIST

The Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") is proposing rules to enhance and standardize disclosures regarding cybersecurity risk management, strategy, governance, and cybersecurity incident reporting by public companies that are subject to the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Specifically, we are proposing amendments to require current reporting about material cybersecurity incidents. We are also proposing to require periodic disclosures about a registrant's policies and procedures to identify and manage cybersecurity risks, management's role in implementing cybersecurity policies and procedures, and the board of directors' cybersecurity expertise, if any, and its oversight of cybersecurity risk. Additionally, the proposed rules would require registrants to provide updates about previously reported cybersecurity incidents in their periodic reports. Further, the proposed rules would require the cybersecurity disclosures to be presented in Inline eXtensible Business Reporting Language ("Inline XBRL"). The proposed amendments are intended to better inform investors about a registrant's risk management, strategy, and governance and to provide timely notification of material cybersecurity incidents. **Comments should be received on or before May 9, 2022.**

[Airworthiness Directives; British Aerospace \(Operations\) Limited and British Aerospace Regional Aircraft Airplanes](#)

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Reference SAE

The FAA proposes to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for all British Aerospace (Operations) Limited Model Jetstream Model 3101 and British Aerospace Regional Aircraft Model Jetstream Model 3201 airplanes. This proposed AD was prompted by mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI) originated by an aviation authority of another country to identify and correct an unsafe condition on an aviation product. The MCAI identifies the unsafe condition as stress corrosion cracking of the primary flight control cable terminals. This proposed AD would require repetitively inspecting the turnbuckle type control cable terminals in the rudder and elevator primary flight control circuits for corrosion, pitting, and cracking and, depending on the inspection results, replacing an affected cable assembly. The FAA is proposing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products. **The FAA must receive comments on this proposed AD by May 6, 2022.**

[SGS North America, Inc.: Application for Expansion of Recognition](#)

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Reference UL

In this notice, OSHA announces the application of SGS North America, Inc., for expansion of 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 April 5, 2022.**
