

## U.S. Federal Register Update: May 9 – May 13, 2022

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### [Energy Conservation Program: Definitions for General Service Lamps](#)

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Reference ANSI, NEMA

On January 19, 2017, the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") published two final rules adopting revised definitions of general service lamp ("GSL") and general service incandescent lamp ("GSIL"), and other supplemental definitions, to go into effect January 1, 2020. ("January 2017 Final Rules"). Prior to that effective date, on September 5, 2019, DOE withdrew the revised definitions of GSL, GSIL, and the other supplemental definitions. Upon further review and consideration, on August 19, 2021, DOE published a notice of proposed rulemaking ("NOPR") proposing to amend the definitions of GSL, GSIL and the other supplemental definitions as previously set forth in the January 2017 Final Rules. DOE responds to comments received on the NOPR in this final rule and adopts the definitions of GSL and GSIL and the associated supplemental definitions set forth in the January 2017 Final Rules as proposed in the NOPR. **The effective date of this rule is July 8, 2022. The incorporation by reference of other material listed in this rulemaking was approved by the Director of the Federal Register on March 23, 2009.**

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### [Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Consumer Furnace Fans](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASHRAE, ASTM, CSA, IEC

The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") proposes to amend the test procedure for consumer furnace fans to: Clarify the scope of applicability; incorporate by reference the most recent version of industry test methods; establish a test method for furnace fans incapable of operating at the required external static pressure; clarify testing of certain products, including furnace fans with modulating controls, furnace fans and modular blowers tested with electric heat kits, certain two-stage furnaces that operate at reduced input only for a preset period of time, dual-fuel furnaces, and certain oil-fired furnaces; and make updates to improve test procedure repeatability and reproducibility. DOE is seeking comment from interested parties on the proposals. **DOE will accept comments, data, and information regarding this proposal no later than July 12, 2022. See section V, "Public Participation," for details. DOE will hold a webinar on Thursday, May 19, 2022, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. See section V, "Public Participation," for webinar registration information, participant instructions, and information about the capabilities available to webinar participants.**

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### [Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for General Service Lamps](#)

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Reference ANSI, NEMA

In this final rule, the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") is codifying in the Code of Federal Regulations the 45 lumens per watt ("lm/W") backstop requirement for general service lamps ("GSLs") that Congress prescribed in the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended. DOE has determined this backstop requirement applies because DOE failed to complete a rulemaking regarding GSLs in accordance with certain statutory criteria. This final rule represents a departure from DOE's previous determination published in 2019 that the backstop requirement was not triggered. **The effective date of this rule is July 25, 2022.**

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### [Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Tugs Towing Drill Rig in Cook Inlet, Alaska](#)

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Reference ANSI

NMFS has received a request from Hilcorp Alaska LLC (Hilcorp) for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to tugboats towing a drill rig in Cook Inlet, Alaska. Pursuant to the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), NMFS is requesting comments on its proposal to issue two successive incidental harassment authorizations (IHAs) to incidentally take marine mammals during the specified activities. NMFS is also requesting comments on a possible one-time, one-year renewal that could be issued under certain circumstances and if all requirements are met, as described in Request for Public Comments at the end of this notice. NMFS will consider public comments prior to making any final decision on the issuance

of the requested MMPA authorizations and agency responses will be summarized in the final notice of our decision. **Comments and information must be received no later than June 8, 2022.**

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[Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Marine Site Characterization Surveys Off New Jersey by NextEra Energy Transmission MidAtlantic Holdings, LLC](#)

**Published** 5/9/2022

**Reference** ANSI

NMFS has received a request from NextEra Energy Transmission MidAtlantic Holdings, LLC (NEETMA) for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to high-resolution geophysical (HRG) site characterization surveys off the coast of New Jersey. Pursuant to the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), NMFS is requesting comments on its proposal to issue an incidental harassment authorization (IHA) to incidentally take marine mammals during the specified activities. NMFS is also requesting comments on a possible one-time, one-year Renewal that could be issued under certain circumstances and if all requirements are met, as described in Request for Public Comments at the end of this notice. NMFS will consider public comments prior to making any final decision on the issuance of the requested MMPA authorization and agency responses will be summarized in the final notice of our decision. **Comments and information must be received no later than June 8, 2022.**

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[Promoting Efficient Use of Spectrum Through Improved Receiver Interference Immunity Performance](#)

**Published** 5/13/2022

**Reference** ANSI, IEEE

This document invites comments from all stakeholders in connection with the development of an up-to-date record on the role of receivers in spectrum management and how the Federal Communications Commission (Commission or FCC) might best promote improvements in receiver interference immunity performance that would serve the public interest. The Commission seeks to build upon the progress, including technological advances, in recent years that has enabled better receiver interference immunity performance, and the Commission seeks comment on where those efforts and advances have been most successful. The Commission also seeks to learn lessons from recent Commission proceedings in which receiver performance concerns have been prominent, to better inform the Commission as it considers how to ensure valuable and innovative services are able to thrive across the frequency range. **Comments are due on or before June 27, 2022, and reply comments are due on or before July 27, 2022.**

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[Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Small Electric Motors; Extension of Comment Period](#)

**Published** 5/11/2022

**Reference** AHAM, NEMA

On April 20, 2022, the U.S. Department of Energy (“DOE”) published a request for information (“RFI”) regarding energy conservation standards for small electric motors. The RFI provided an opportunity for submitting written comments, data, and information by May 20, 2022. DOE received requests from the European Committee of Manufacturers of Electrical Machines and Power Electronics on April 29, 2022, the National Electrical Manufacturers Association on May 3, 2022, the Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers also on May 3, 2022, and the Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute on May 4, 2022, each asking DOE to extend the public comment period for an additional 30 days. DOE has reviewed these requests and is granting an extension of the public comment period to allow comments to be submitted until June 20, 2022. **The comment period for the RFI published on April 20, 2022 (87 FR 23471), is extended. DOE will accept comments, data, and information regarding the RFI received no later than June 20, 2022.**

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[Welded Stainless Pressure Pipe From India: Continuation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders](#)

**Published** 5/12/2022

**Reference** ASTM

The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) and the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) have determined that revocation of the antidumping duty (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) orders on welded stainless pressure pipe from India would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping, net countervailable subsidies, and material injury to an industry in the United States. Therefore, Commerce is publishing a notice of continuation of these AD and CVD orders. **Applicable May 12, 2022.**

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[Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Uninterruptible Power Supplies; Correction](#)

**Published** 5/11/2022

**Reference** IEC

On December 12, 2016, the U.S. Department of Energy (“DOE”) published a final rule that added a test procedure for uninterruptible power supplies (UPSs) to the existing DOE test procedure for battery chargers. This document corrects an error in the amended regulatory text as it appeared in the December 2016 final rule. Neither the error nor the correction in this document affect the substance of the rulemaking or any conclusions reached in support of the final rule. **Effective May 11, 2022.**

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#### [Safety Zones; Recurring Marine Events and Fireworks Displays Within the Fifth Coast Guard District](#)

**Published** 5/13/2022

**Reference** NFPA

The Coast Guard is amending its safety zones established for recurring marine events and fireworks displays that take place within the Fifth Coast Guard District area of responsibility. This action is necessary to address minor revisions to the listing of events that informs the public of regularly scheduled fireworks displays that require additional safety measures provided by regulations. Through this final rule, the current list of recurring marine events requiring safety zones will be updated with two additional events that take place in the Sector Virginia area of responsibility. This regulation prohibits persons and vessels from being in the safety zones unless authorized by the Captain of the Port Virginia or a designated representative.

**This rule is effective June 13, 2022.**

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

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**Reference** NIST

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) publishes this notice of a modified system of records entitled the “Congressional Relations and Correspondence Records,” formerly named the “Congressional Relations, Inquiries and Travel Records,” and this rescindment of a system of records notice entitled “Public Information Records.” The modified system of records replaces the system of records entitled “Public Information Records.” USAID proposes the rescission to eliminate the duplicative reporting. The records contained in the Public Information Records will be covered by the modified “Congressional Relations and Correspondence Records” and the USAID SORN entitled, “Freedom of Information Act, Privacy Act, and Mandatory Declassification Review Requests Records.” **Submit comments on or before 10 June 2022. This modified system of records will be effective 10 June 2022 upon publication. The Routine Uses are effective at the close of the comment period.**

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