

U.S. Federal Register Update: June 20 – June 24, 2022

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[Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Metal Halide Lamp Fixtures](#)

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Reference ANSI, IEC, NEMA

In this final rule, the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") is adopting amendments to its test procedure for metal halide lamp fixtures ("MHLFs") to incorporate by reference new relevant industry standards as well as update to latest versions of existing references; clarify the selection of reference lamps used for testing; specify the light output level at which to test dimming ballasts; revise definitions and reorganize the content of the test procedure for better readability and clarity; and revise the standby mode test method for MHLFs. **The effective date of this rule is July 25, 2022. The final rule changes will be mandatory for product testing starting December 21, 2022. The incorporation by reference of certain material listed in this rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register on July 25, 2022.**

[Revisions and Confidentiality Determinations for Data Elements Under the Greenhouse Gas Reporting Rule](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASTM, CSA, ISO, NEMA

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to amend specific provisions in the Greenhouse Gas Reporting Rule to improve the quality and consistency of the data collected under the rule, streamline and improve implementation, and clarify or propose minor updates to certain provisions that have been the subject of questions from reporting entities. These proposed changes include revisions to improve the existing calculation, recordkeeping, and reporting requirements by incorporating updates to existing emissions estimation methodologies and providing for collection of additional data to understand new source categories or new emission sources for specific sectors. The proposed changes would improve understanding of the sector-specific processes or other factors that influence greenhouse gas emissions rates, improve verification of collected data, and complement or inform other EPA programs. The EPA is also proposing revisions that would improve implementation of the Greenhouse Gas Reporting Rule such as updates to applicability estimation methodologies, providing flexibility for or simplifying calculation and monitoring methodologies, streamlining recordkeeping and reporting, and other minor technical corrections or clarifications. This action also proposes to establish and amend confidentiality determinations for the reporting of certain data elements to be added or substantially revised in these proposed amendments. Further, this action includes a request for comment to solicit information that may aid in potential future revisions to the Greenhouse Gas Reporting Rule. **Comments must be received on or before August 22, 2022. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), comments on the information collection provisions are best assured of consideration if the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) receives a copy of your comments on or before August 22, 2022. Public hearing: The EPA does not plan to conduct a public hearing unless requested. If anyone contacts us requesting a public hearing on or before June 27, 2022, we will hold a virtual public hearing. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for information on requesting and registering for a public hearing.**

[Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Packaged Terminal Air Conditioners and Packaged Terminal Heat Pumps](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASHRAE

The Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended ("EPCA"), prescribes energy conservation standards for various consumer products and certain commercial and industrial equipment, including Packaged Terminal Air Conditioners ("PTACs") and Packaged Terminal Heat Pumps ("PTHPs"). EPCA also requires the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") to periodically review standards. In this notification of proposed determination ("NOPD"), DOE has preliminarily determined that it lacks clear and convincing evidence that more-stringent standards for PTACs and PTHPs would be economically justified. As such, DOE has preliminarily determined that energy conservation standards for PTACs and PTHPs do not need to be amended. DOE requests comment on this proposed determination and the associated analyses and results. **Meeting: DOE will hold a public meeting via webinar on Wednesday, July 20, 2022, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. See section VII, "Public Participation," for webinar registration information, participant instructions, and information about the**

capabilities available to webinar participants. **Comments:** Written comments and information are requested and will be accepted on or before August 23, 2022.

[New Source Performance Standards Review for Industrial Surface Coating of Plastic Parts for Business Machines](#)

Published 6/21/2022

Reference ANSI, ASTM

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing amendments to the Standards of Performance for Industrial Surface Coating of Plastic Parts for Business Machines as the preliminary results of the review of the new source performance standards required by the Clean Air Act. Specific to affected facilities that commence construction, modification, or reconstruction after June 21, 2022, the EPA is, in new subpart TTTa, proposing volatile organic compound (VOC) emission limitations for prime, color, texture, and touch-up coating operations. We are also proposing in subparts TTTa and TTT to include a requirement for electronic submission of periodic compliance reports. **Comments must be received on or before August 22, 2022. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), comments on the information collection provisions are best assured of consideration if the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) receives a copy of your comments on or before July 21, 2022. Public hearing: If anyone contacts us requesting a public hearing on or before June 27, 2022, we will hold a virtual public hearing. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for information on requesting and registering for a public hearing.**

[Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Marine Geophysical Surveys at the Cascadia Subduction Zone and Juan de Fuca Plate in the Northeast Pacific Ocean](#)

Published 6/23/2022

Reference ANSI, ISO

NMFS has received a request from Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory (L-DEO) for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to geophysical surveys at the Cascadia Subduction Zone and Juan de Fuca Plate in the Northeast Pacific Ocean. 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 July 25, 2022.**

[Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Dedicated-Purpose Pool Pump Motors](#)

Published 6/21/2022

Reference ANSI, CSA, IEC, NEMA, UL

The Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended, prescribes energy conservation standards for various consumer products and certain commercial and industrial equipment, including electric motors. In this notice of proposed rulemaking ("NOPR"), the Department of Energy (DOE) proposes to establish energy conservation standards for dedicated-purpose pool pump motors, a category of electric motors, and also announces a public meeting to receive comment on these proposed standards and associated analyses and results. **Comments: DOE will accept comments, data, and information regarding this NOPR no later than August 22, 2022. Comments regarding the likely competitive impact of the proposed standard should be sent to the Department of Justice contact listed in the ADDRESSES section on or before July 21, 2022. Meeting: DOE will hold a public meeting via webinar on Tuesday, July 26, 2022, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. See section IV, "Public Participation," for webinar registration information, participant instructions and information about the capabilities available to webinar participants.**

[Safety Standard for Infant Bath Tubs](#)

Published 6/24/2022

Reference ASTM

In March 2017, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) published a consumer product safety standard for infant bath tubs under section 104 of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA). The standard incorporated by reference the 2017 ASTM voluntary standard for infant bath tubs that was in effect at the time. The CPSIA sets forth a process for updating mandatory standards for durable infant or toddler products that are based on a voluntary standard, when the voluntary standards organization revises the standard. Consistent with the CPSIA's update process, the Commission issued a direct final rule in October 2018, that revised the incorporation by reference for the mandatory

standard for infant bath tubs to reflect ASTM's revised 2018 voluntary standard. Also consistent with the CPSIA's update process, this direct final rule again updates the mandatory standard for infant bath tubs to incorporate by reference ASTM's 2022 version of the voluntary standard. **The rule is effective on September 24, 2022, unless CPSC receives a significant adverse comment by July 25, 2022. 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 September 24, 2022.**

Information Collection Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission Under Delegated Authority

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Reference IEC

As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. Comments are requested concerning: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees. The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid OMB control number. **Written PRA comments should be submitted on or before August 22, 2022. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.**

Event Data Recorders

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Reference IEEE, SAE

NHTSA is proposing to amend its regulations regarding Event Data Recorders (EDRs) to extend the EDR recording period for timed data metrics from 5 seconds of pre-crash data at a frequency of 2 Hz to 20 seconds of pre-crash data at a frequency of 10 Hz (i.e., increase from 2 samples per second to 10 samples per second). This NPRM begins the process of fulfilling the mandate of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) to establish the appropriate recording period in NHTSA's EDR regulation. **You should submit your comments early enough to be received not later than August 22, 2022. We are proposing an effective date of the first September 1st one year from the publication of the final rule.**

National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Formula Program

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Reference ISO, SAE

The FHWA proposes to establish regulations setting minimum standards and requirements for projects funded under the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program and projects for the construction of publicly accessible electric vehicle (EV) chargers under certain statutory authorities. The standards and requirements proposed would apply to the installation, operation, or maintenance of EV charging infrastructure; the interoperability of EV charging infrastructure; traffic control device or on-premises signage acquired, installed, or operated in concert with EV charging infrastructure; data, including the format and schedule for the submission of such data; network connectivity of EV charging infrastructure; and information on publicly available EV charging infrastructure locations, pricing, real-time availability, and accessibility through mapping applications. **Comments must be received on or before August 22, 2022.**

Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval;

Comment Request; Generic Clearance for Community Resilience Data Collections

Published 6/21/2022

Reference NIST

The Department of Commerce will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the

public's reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the Federal Register on March 15, 2022 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

Information Collection Requirements; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS); Cyber Incident Reporting and Cloud Computing

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Reference NIST

In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. DoD invites comments on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved this information collection for use through September 30, 2022. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for use for three additional years beyond the current expiration date. **DoD will consider all comments received by August 22, 2022.**

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

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Reference NIST

In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) proposes to establish a new system of records titled "OPM/Central-26, FEDVIP, FLTCIP, and FSAFEDS Records." This system of records contains information about individuals and their family members who have applied for, are enrolled in, or have been enrolled in any of three benefit programs administered by OPM: the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP), the Federal Long Term Care Insurance Program (FLTCIP), and the Federal Flexible Spending Account Program (FSAFEDS). This newly established system of records will be included in OPM's inventory of record systems. **Please submit comments on or before July 21, 2022. This new system is effective upon publication in the Federal Register, with the exception of the routine uses, which become effective July 26, 2022.**
