

U.S. Federal Register Update: May 30 – June 3, 2022

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[Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Faucets and Showerheads](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASME, ASTM, CSA

The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") proposes to amend the test procedures for faucets and showerheads to incorporate the current version of the referenced industry standard, American Society of Mechanical Engineers Standard A112.18.1-2018, "Plumbing Fixture Fittings." DOE also proposes to add definitions for low-pressure water dispensers and pot fillers, and exclude them from the faucet definition. Finally, DOE proposes to provide further detail for conducting the flow rate measurement. DOE is seeking comment from interested parties on the proposal. **Meeting: DOE will hold a webinar on Wednesday, June 22, 2022, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. See section V, "Public Participation," for webinar registration information, participant instructions, and information about the capabilities available to webinar participants. Comments: DOE will accept comments, data, and information regarding this proposal no later than August 1, 2022. See section V, "Public Participation," for details.**

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

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Reference ANSI, NEMA

The Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended ("EPCA"), prescribes energy conservation standards for various consumer products and certain commercial and industrial equipment, including general service fluorescent lamps ("GSFLs"). EPCA also requires the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") to periodically determine whether more-stringent, amended standards would be technologically feasible and economically justified, and would result in significant energy savings. In this notice of proposed determination ("NOPD"), DOE has initially determined that amended energy conservation standards for GSFLs do not need to be amended and requests comment on this proposed determination and the associated analyses and results. **Meeting: DOE will hold a webinar on Monday, July 11, 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 1, 2022.**

[Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Manufactured Housing](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASHRAE, IEC, ISO

The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE" or "the Department") is publishing a final rule to establish energy conservation standards for manufactured housing pursuant to the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007. This document presents standards based on the 2021 version of the International Energy Conservation Code ("IECC") and comments received during interagency consultation with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, as well as from stakeholders. The adopted standards would provide a set of "tiered" standards based on size that would apply the 2021 IECC-based standards to manufactured homes, except that single-section manufactured homes would be subject to less stringent building thermal envelope requirements compared to multi-section manufactured homes. **The effective date of this rule is August 1, 2022. Compliance with the adopted standards established for manufactured housing in this final rule is required on and after May 31, 2023. The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in this rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register on August 1, 2022.**

[Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Residential and Commercial Clothes Washers](#)

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Reference ANSI, IEC, NIST, UL

This final rule amends the U.S. Department of Energy's ("DOE") test procedures for residential and commercial clothes washers to further specify test conditions, instrument specifications, and test settings; address large clothes container capacities; add product-specific enforcement provisions; delete obsolete provisions; and consolidate all test cloth-related provisions and codify additional test cloth material verification procedures used by industry. This final rule also establishes a

new test procedure for residential and commercial clothes washers with additional modifications for certain test conditions, measurement of average cycle time, required test cycles, tested load sizes, semi-automatic clothes washer provisions, new performance metrics, and updated usage factors. The new test procedure will be used for the evaluation and issuance of updated efficiency standards, as well as to determine compliance with the updated standards, should such standards be established. **The effective date of this rule is July 1, 2022. The amendments will be mandatory for product testing starting November 28, 2022. Manufacturers will be required to use the amended test procedure until the compliance date of any final rule establishing amended energy conservation standards based on the newly established test procedure. At such time, manufacturers will be required to begin using the newly established test procedure. The incorporation by reference of certain materials listed in this rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register on July 1, 2022.**

[Notice of Availability and Request for Comment: Revision to the Voluntary Standard for Sling Carriers](#)

Published 6/3/2022

Reference ASTM

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission's (Commission or CPSC) mandatory rule, Safety Standard for Sling Carriers, incorporates by reference ASTM F2907-19, Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Sling Carriers. The Commission has received notice of a revision to this incorporated voluntary standard. CPSC seeks comment on whether the revision improves the safety of the consumer product covered by the standard. **Comments must be received by June 17, 2022.**

[Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New York; Revision to 6 NYCRR Part 235 Consumer Products](#)

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Reference ASTM

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve a revision to the New York State Implementation Plan (SIP) for the purposes of implementing control of air pollution for volatile organic compounds (VOC). The proposed SIP revision consists of amendments to New York's Codes, Rules, and Regulations (NYCRR) that implement control measures for Consumer Products. The intended effect of this action is to approve control strategies which will result in VOC emission reductions that will help attain and maintain the national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for ozone. These actions are being taken in accordance with the requirements of the Clean Air Act. **Written comments must be received on or before July 5, 2022.**

[Increasing Market and Planning Efficiency Through Improved Software; Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference on Increasing Real-Time and Day-Ahead Market and Planning Efficiency Through Improved Software](#)

Published 6/3/2022

Reference IEEE

As first announced in the Notice of Technical Conference issued in this proceeding on February 24, 2022, Commission staff will convene a technical conference on June 21, 22, and 23, 2022 to discuss opportunities for increasing real-time and day-ahead market and planning efficiency of the bulk power system through improved software. Attached to this Supplemental Notice is a final agenda for the technical conference and speakers' summaries of their presentations.

[Pacific Wind Lease Sale 1 \(PACW-1\) for Commercial Leasing for Wind Power on the Outer Continental Shelf in California-Proposed Sale Notice](#)

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Reference ISO

This document is the proposed sale notice (PSN) for the sale of commercial wind energy leases on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) in the Humboldt Wind Energy Area (WEA) and Morro Bay WEA offshore California. The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) proposes to offer multiple lease areas (Lease Areas) for sale in each WEA and to conduct simultaneous auctions for Lease Areas within each WEA using a multiple-factor bidding auction format. The PSN contains information pertaining to the areas available for leasing, certain provisions and conditions of the lease, auction details, lease forms, criteria for evaluating competing bids, award procedures, appeal procedures, and lease execution procedures. The issuance of any lease resulting from this sale would not constitute approval of project-specific plans to develop offshore wind energy. Such plans, if submitted by the Lessee, would be subject to subsequent environmental, technical, and public reviews prior to a BOEM decision on whether the proposed development should be authorized. **Comments should be submitted electronically or postmarked no later than August 1, 2022. For prospective bidders who want to participate in this lease sale: Unless you have received confirmation from BOEM that you are qualified to participate in a California**

lease sale, your qualification materials must be submitted during the comment period and must be submitted electronically or postmarked no later than August 1, 2022.

[Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes](#)

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Reference NEMA, SAE

The FAA proposes to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for all The Boeing Company Model 747-100, 747-100B, 747-100B SUD, 747-200B, 747-200C, 747-200F, 747-300, 747SR, and 747SP series airplanes. This proposed AD was prompted by significant changes, including new or more restrictive requirements, made to the airworthiness limitations (AWLs) related to fuel tank ignition prevention. This proposed AD would require revising the existing maintenance or inspection program, as applicable, to incorporate the latest revision of the AWLs. The FAA is proposing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products. **The FAA must receive comments on this proposed AD by July 18, 2022.**

[Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993-National Fire Protection Association](#)

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Reference NFPA

Notice is hereby given that, on April 28, 2022, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 et seq. ("the Act"), National Fire Protection Association ("NFPA") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing additions or changes to its standards development activities. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Specifically, NFPA has provided an updated and current list of its standards development activities, related technical committee and conformity assessment activities.

[Board of Overseers of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award and Judges Panel of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award](#)

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Reference NIST

The Board of Overseers of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award (Board of Overseers) and the Judges Panel of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award (Judges Panel) will meet in open session on Thursday, June 16, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern time. The Board of Overseers, appointed by the Secretary of Commerce, reports the results of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award (Award) activities to the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) each year, along with its recommendations for the improvement of the Award process. The Judges Panel, also appointed by the Secretary of Commerce, ensures the integrity of the Award selection process and recommends Award recipients to the Secretary of Commerce. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and review information received from the National Institute of Standards and Technology and from the Chair of the Judges Panel. The agenda will include: Baldrige Program Update, Baldrige Foundation Update, Baldrige Judges Panel Update, Ethics Review, suspension of the 2022 Baldrige Award Process, and New Business/Public Comment. **The meeting will be held on Thursday, June 16, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time until 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time. The meeting will be open to the public.**

[Open Meeting of the Information Security and Privacy Advisory Board](#)

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Reference NIST

The Information Security and Privacy Advisory Board (ISPAB) will meet Wednesday, July 13, 2022, and Thursday, July 14, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time. All sessions will be open to the public. **The meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 13, 2022, and Thursday, July 14, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time.**

[Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Depository Trust Company; Notice of Filing of a Proposed Rule Change To Require Applicants and Members To Maintain or Upgrade Their Network or Communications Technology](#)

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Reference NIST

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") and Rule 19-4 thereunder, notice is hereby given that on May 11, 2022, The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II and III below, which Items have been prepared by the

clearing agency. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

[Self-Regulatory Organizations; National Securities Clearing Corporation; Notice of a Proposed Rule Change To Require Applicants and Members To Maintain or Upgrade Their Network or Communications Technology](#)

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Reference NIST

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”) and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, notice is hereby given that on May 11, 2022, National Securities Clearing Corporation (“NSCC”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II and III below, which Items have been prepared by the clearing agency. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

[Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget \(OMB\) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; iEdison System](#)

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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 October 25, 2021, during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

[Self-Regulatory Organizations; Fixed Income Clearing Corporation; Notice of Filing of a Proposed Rule Change To Require Applicants and Members To Maintain or Upgrade Their Network or Communications Technology](#)

Published 5/31/2022

Reference NIST

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”) and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, notice is hereby given that on May 20, 2022, Fixed Income Clearing Corporation (“FICC”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II and III below, which Items have been prepared by the clearing agency. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

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

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Reference NIST

In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission or Agency) is modifying a system of records, FCC/OSP-1, Broadband Dead Zone Report and Consumer Broadband Test, subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended. This action is necessary to implement the Broadband Data Collection (BDC) program. The modified system, now known as FCC/OEA-6, Broadband Data Collection system of records (BDC system), will collect granular, detailed information on the availability and quality of service of fixed and mobile broadband internet access service from service providers, as well as verified broadband availability data from other Federal agencies, from State, local, and Tribal governmental entities that are primarily responsible for mapping or tracking broadband service coverage, and from other third parties. The BDC will additionally give the FCC, industry, Federal, State, local and Tribal government entities, and consumers the tools they need to continuously refine and improve the accuracy of these new mapping data. A number of broadband deployment funding mechanisms will rely upon BDC data, including the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) program, administered by the Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), the FCC's 5G Fund for Rural America, and potentially other broadband infrastructure deployment funding programs. **In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(4) and (11), this notice is effective upon publication, subject to a 30-day period in which to comment on the routine uses, described below. Please submit any comments by June 30, 2022.**

[Agency Forms Undergoing Paperwork Reduction Act Review](#)

Published 6/2/2022

Reference NIST

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has submitted the information collection request titled “National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System (NNDSS)” to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. CDC previously published a “Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations” notice on February 14, 2022 to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. CDC did not receive comments related to the previous notice. This notice serves to allow an additional 30 days for public and affected agency comments.

[Grant of Petitions for Temporary Exemption From Shoulder Belt Requirement for Side-Facing Seats on Motorcoaches](#)

Published 6/1/2022

Reference SAE

In accordance with the procedures in our regulations, NHTSA is granting 13 petitions from various final stage manufacturers (the petitioners) of motorcoaches for a temporary exemption from a shoulder belt requirement of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 208, “Occupant crash protection,” for side-facing seats. This grant permits the petitioners to install Type 1 seat belts (lap belt only) at side-facing seating positions, instead of Type 2 seat belts (lap and shoulder belts). After reviewing the petitions and the comments received, the agency has determined that the requested exemption is warranted to enable the petitioners to sell a vehicle whose overall level of safety or impact protection is at least equal to that of a nonexempted vehicle. **This exemption applies to the petitioner's motorcoaches produced from June 1, 2022 until June 1, 2024.**

[Request for Information on Transit Bus Automation Research and Demonstrations](#)

Published 6/2/2022

Reference SAE

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) continues to research Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS) and Automated Driving Systems (ADS) in public transportation use cases. In 2018, FTA completed its five-year Strategic Transit Automation Research Plan (STAR Plan). In preparation for the next five-year plan, FTA is issuing this request for information (RFI). This RFI seeks input from public and industry stakeholders on the next phase of research, collaboration and engagement, technology development, and demonstration of ADS or ADAS necessary to improve the safe, efficient, equitable and climate-friendly provision of public transportation and sustain the associated workforce. Comments received through this RFI will provide critical information for FTA to develop STAR Plan 2.0. **Comments are requested by August 1, 2022. Comments received after the closing date will be considered to the extent practicable.**
