U.S. Federal Register Update: November 4 – November 8, 2019

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SGS North America, Inc.: Applications for Expansion of Recognition and Proposed Modification to the NRTL Program’s List of Appropriate Test Standards
Published 11/5/2019
Reference ANSI, CSA, UL
In this notice, OSHA announces the application of SGS North America, Inc., for expansion of the scope of recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) and presents the agency's preliminary finding to grant the application. Additionally, OSHA proposes to add three test standards to the NRTL Program's list of appropriate test standards. Submit comments, information, and documents in response to this notice, or requests for an extension of time to make a submission, on or before November 20, 2019.

Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Astoria Waterfront Bridge Replacement Phase 2 Project
Published 11/6/2019
Reference ANSI, ISO
NMFS has received a request from the City of Astoria (City) for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to pile driving and construction work in Astoria, OR. 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-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 December 6, 2019.

Laboratory Accreditation for Analyses of Foods
Published 11/4/2019
Reference ANSI, IEC, ISO
The Food and Drug Administration (FDA, Agency, or we) is proposing to amend its regulations to establish a program for the testing of food in certain circumstances by accredited laboratories, as required under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act). Establishing such a program will help FDA improve the safety of the U.S. food supply and protect U.S. consumers by helping ensure that certain food testing of importance to public health is conducted subject to appropriate oversight and in accordance with appropriate model standards, and produces reliable and valid test results. Submit either electronic or written comments on the proposed rule by March 3, 2020. Submit comments on information collection issues under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 by March 3, 2020 (see the “Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995” section of this document).

Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to a Low-Energy Geophysical Survey in the South Atlantic Ocean
Published 11/7/2019
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 incidental harassment authorization (IHA) to the Scripps Institute of Oceanography (SIO) to incidentally harass, by Level B harassment only, marine mammals during a low-energy marine geophysical survey in the South Atlantic Ocean. This Authorization is applicable from November 3, 2019 through November 2, 2020.

Performance Requirements for Residential Gas Furnaces and Boilers; Notice of Reopening of Comment Period
Published 11/7/2019
Reference ANSI, CSA
The Consumer Product Safety Commission (Commission or CPSC) voted to publish an advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPR) in the Federal Register on August 19, 2019, concerning residential gas furnaces and boilers. The ANPR
invited the public to submit written comments during a comment period that would close 60 days after the date of publication of the ANPR in the Federal Register. In response to a request for an extension, the Commission is reopening the comment period. Submit comments by January 6, 2020.

Accreditation and Approval of Inspectorate America Corporation (Beaumont, TX) as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory
Published 11/5/2019
Reference ASTM
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Inspectorate America Corporation (Beaumont, TX), has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of April 10, 2019. Inspectorate America Corporation (Beaumont, TX) was approved and accredited as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of April 10, 2019. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for April 2022.

Accreditation and Approval of Saybolt LP (Houston, TX) as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory
Published 11/5/2019
Reference ASTM
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Saybolt LP (Houston, TX), has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of March 13, 2019. Saybolt LP (Houston, TX) was approved and accredited as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of March 13, 2019. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for March 2022.

Accreditation and Approval of Inspectorate America Corporation (Peñuelas, PR) as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory
Published 11/5/2019
Reference ASTM
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Inspectorate America Corporation (Peñuelas, PR), has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of September 26, 2018. Inspectorate America Corporation (Peñuelas, PR) was approved and accredited as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of September 26, 2018. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for September 2021.

Accreditation and Approval of Inspectorate America Corporation (St. Croix, USVI) as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory
Published 11/5/2019
Reference ASTM
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Inspectorate America Corporation (St. Croix, USVI), has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of June 6, 2019. Inspectorate America Corporation (St. Croix, USVI) was approved and accredited as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of June 6, 2019. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for June 2022.

Accreditation and Approval of Camin Cargo Control, Inc. (Gonzales, LA) as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory
Published 11/5/2019
Reference ASTM
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Camin Cargo Control, Inc. (Gonzales, LA), has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of April 9, 2019. Camin Cargo Control, Inc., was accredited and approved as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of April 9, 2019. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for April 2022.

Accreditation and Approval of AmSpec LLC (Tampa, FL) as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory
Published 11/5/2019
Reference ASTM
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that AmSpec LLC (Tampa, FL), has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of June 18, 2019. AmSpec LLC (Tampa, FL) was approved and accredited as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of June 18, 2019. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for June 2022.
Accreditation and Approval of SGS North America, Inc. (Seabrook, TX), as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory
Published 11/5/2019
Reference ASTM
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that SGS North America, Inc. (Seabrook, TX), has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of October 24, 2018. SGS North America, Inc., was accredited and approved as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of October 24, 2018. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for October 2021.

Accreditation and Approval of Intertek USA, Inc. (Chickasaw, AL) as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory
Published 11/5/2019
Reference ASTM
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Intertek USA, Inc. (Chickasaw, AL), has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of May 15, 2019. Intertek USA, Inc. (Chickasaw, AL) was approved and accredited as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of May 15, 2019. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for May 2022.

Accreditation and Approval of Camin Cargo Control, Inc. (Nederland, TX), as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory
Published 11/5/2019
Reference ASTM
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Camin Cargo Control, Inc. (Nederland, TX), has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of March 14, 2019. Camin Cargo Control, Inc., was accredited and approved as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of March 14, 2019. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for March 2022.

Accreditation and Approval of Camin Cargo Control, Inc. (Kenner, LA), as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory
Published 11/5/2019
Reference ASTM
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Camin Cargo Control, Inc. (Kenner, LA), has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of April 10, 2019. Camin Cargo Control, Inc., was accredited and approved as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of April 10, 2019. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for April 2022.

Energy Conservation Program: Decision and Order Granting a Waiver to Anker Innovations Limited From the Department of Energy External Power Supplies Test Procedure
Published 11/4/2019
Reference IEC
The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") gives notice of a Decision and Order (Case Number 2019-005) that grants to Anker Innovations Limited ("Anker") a waiver from specified portions of the DOE test procedure for determining the energy efficiency of a specified external power supply basic model. Under the Decision and Order, Anker is required to test and rate the specified basic model in accordance with the alternate test procedure specified in the Decision and Order. The Decision and Order is effective on November 4, 2019. The Decision and Order will terminate upon the compliance date of any future amendment to the test procedure for external power supplies.

Toyota Motor North America, Inc., Receipt of Petition for Decision of Inconsequential Noncompliance
Published 11/7/2019
Reference SAE

Modification to the List of Appropriate NRTL Program Test Standards and the Scopes of Recognition of Several NRTLs
Published 11/5/2019
Reference UL
In this notice, OSHA announces the final decision to: (1) Add a new test standard to the Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratories (NRTL) Program’s list of appropriate test standards and (2) update the scopes of recognition of several NRTLs. The actions contained in this notice will become effective on November 5, 2019.