

U.S. Federal Register Update: April 6 – April 10, 2020

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[60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards Act Park Model RV Exemption Notice: OMB Control No. 2502-0616](#)

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Reference ANSI, NFPA

HUD is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD is requesting comment from all interested parties on the proposed collection of information. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment. **Comments Due Date: June 9, 2020.**

[Human Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields](#)

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Reference ANSI, IEEE

In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) seeks comment on expanding the range of frequencies for which its radiofrequency (RF) exposure limits apply; on applying localized exposure limits above 6 GHz in parallel to the localized exposure limits already established below 6 GHz; on specifying the conditions and methods for averaging the RF exposure, in both time and area, during evaluation for compliance with the RF exposure limits in the rules; on addressing new RF exposure issues raised by wireless power transfer (WPT) devices; and on the definition of a WPT device. **Comments are due on or before May 6, 2020, and reply comments are due on or before May 21, 2020.**

[Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to a Marine Geophysical Survey in the Northeast Pacific Ocean](#)

Published 4/7/2020

Reference ANSI, ISO

NMFS has received a request from the Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory of Columbia University (L-DEO) for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to a marine geophysical survey 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-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 May 7, 2020.**

[Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Construction of the Port of Alaska's Petroleum and Cement Terminal, Anchorage, Alaska](#)

Published 4/6/2020

Reference ANSI

In accordance with the regulations implementing the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) as amended, notification is hereby given that we have issued two successive incidental harassment authorizations (IHA) to the Port of Alaska (POA), authorizing the take of small numbers of marine mammals incidental to construction of the Petroleum and Cement Terminal (PCT), Anchorage, Alaska. **The Phase 1 IHA is effective April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021. The Phase 2 IHA is effective April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022.**

[Energy Labeling Rule](#)

Reference AHAM

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The Federal Trade Commission ("FTC" or "Commission") proposes amending the Energy Labeling Rule ("Rule") to require EnergyGuide labels for portable air conditioners and seeks comment on these proposed requirements, particularly the proposed effective date. The Commission also proposes conforming amendments to reflect upcoming Department of

Energy (“DOE”) changes to efficiency descriptors for central air conditioners. In addition, the Commission seeks comment on the labeling requirements in our regulations. Comments must be received by June 9, 2020.

Notice of Recent Specifications Review and Request for Information on WaterSense Program

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Reference ASABE, ASME, ASSE, CSA, IAPMO, NIST

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing the completion of the review of WaterSense product performance criteria as required under the America's Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA) of 2018. The AWIA required the EPA to consider for review and revision, if necessary, specifications which were released prior to 2012. The EPA has completed its review and made the decision not to revise any specifications. A summary of the review and findings are included in this document. Additionally, this document announces that the EPA is seeking input and requesting information on any data, surveys, or studies to help assess consumer satisfaction with WaterSense labeled products, which could inform future product specification development. The EPA is also seeking input on how to design a study or studies to inform future reviews that incorporate customer satisfaction considerations. The results of these studies could inform future Agency action when developing criteria for labeling products in the WaterSense program. The EPA is also requesting input on whether it should include consumer satisfaction criteria into the WaterSense program guidelines and, if included, what criteria should be considered and how. **Comments on these items must be received on or before June 9, 2020.**

Carbon and Alloy Steel Threaded Rod From India: Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Antidumping Duty Order

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Reference ASME, ASTM

Based on affirmative final determinations by the Department of Commerce (Commerce) and the International Trade Commission (ITC), we are issuing an antidumping duty order on carbon and alloy steel threaded rod (threaded rod) from India. Additionally, we are amending our final affirmative determination of sales at less than fair value (LTFV) for carbon and alloy steel threaded rod from India as a result of a ministerial error. **Applicable April 9, 2020.**

Carbon and Alloy Steel Threaded Rod From India and the People's Republic of China: Countervailing Duty Orders

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Reference ASME, ASTM

Based on affirmative final determinations by the Department of Commerce (Commerce) and the International Trade Commission (ITC), Commerce is issuing the countervailing duty orders on carbon and alloy steel threaded rod (steel threaded rod) from India and the People's Republic of China (China). **Applicable April 9, 2020.**

Hazardous Materials: Notice of Actions on Special Permits

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Reference ASME, ISO

In accordance with the procedures governing the application for, and the processing of, special permits from the Department of Transportation's Hazardous Material Regulations, notice is hereby given that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety has received the application described herein. **Comments must be received on or before May 8, 2020.**

Alloy and Certain Carbon Steel Threaded Rod From the People's Republic of China: Antidumping Duty Order

Published 4/9/2020

Reference ASTM, ISO, SAE

Based on affirmative final determinations by the Department of Commerce (Commerce) and the International Trade Commission (ITC), we are issuing an antidumping duty order on alloy and certain carbon steel threaded rod (threaded rod) from the People's Republic of China (China). **Applicable April 9, 2020.**

Anchoring Components and Structural Supports in Concrete

Published 4/9/2020

Reference ASTM

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing Revision 1 to Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.199, “Anchoring Components and Structural Supports in Concrete.” The guide was revised to endorse updated versions of the codes and standards that were endorsed in Revision 0 of the guide. Revision 1 to RG 1.199 is available on April 9, 2020.

National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Phosphoric Acid Manufacturing

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Reference ASTM

This action proposes to amend the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for the Phosphoric Acid Manufacturing source category. The proposed amendment is in response to a petition for rulemaking by an industry stakeholder on the mercury emission limit based on the maximum achievable control technology (MACT) floor for existing sources set in a rule that was finalized on August 19, 2015 ("2015 Rule"). All six of the existing calciners used to set this MACT floor were located at the PCS Phosphate Company, Inc. ("PCS Phosphate") facility in Aurora, North Carolina ("PCS Aurora"). PCS Phosphate asserted that data received since the rule's promulgation indicate that the MACT floor did not accurately characterize the average emission limitation achieved by the units used to set the standard. Based on these new data, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposes to revise the mercury MACT floor for existing calciners.

Comments must be received on or before May 22, 2020.

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Bahrain, Brazil, Croatia, Egypt, Germany, Greece, India, Indonesia, Italy, Republic of Korea, Oman, Romania, Serbia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Taiwan and the Republic of Turkey: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations

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Reference ASTM

On March 9, 2020, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) received antidumping duty (AD) petitions concerning imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Bahrain, Brazil, Croatia, Egypt, Germany, Greece, India, Indonesia, Italy, Korea, Oman, Romania, Serbia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Taiwan, and Turkey filed in proper form on behalf the petitioners, domestic producers of aluminum sheet. The Petitions were accompanied by countervailing duty (CVD) petitions concerning imports of aluminum sheet from Bahrain, Brazil, India and Turkey. **Applicable March 30, 2020.**

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From Bahrain, Brazil, India, and the Republic of Turkey: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigations

Published 4/7/2020

Reference ASTM

On March 9, 2020, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) received countervailing duty (CVD) petitions concerning imports of common alloy aluminum sheet (aluminum sheet) from Bahrain, Brazil, India, and Turkey, filed in proper form on behalf of the Aluminum Association Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet Working Group (petitioners). The Petitions were accompanied by antidumping duty (AD) petitions concerning imports of aluminum sheet from Bahrain, Brazil, Croatia, Egypt, Germany, Greece, India, Indonesia, Italy, Republic of Korea, Oman, Romania, Serbia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Taiwan, and Turkey. **Applicable March 30, 2020.**

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Fixed Income Clearing Corporation; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change To Amend the Government Securities Division Rulebook Relating to the Legal Entity Identifier Requirement

Published 4/9/2020

Reference ISO

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 March 25, 2020, 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.

Fire Protection Compensatory Measures

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Reference NFPA

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is denying Petition for Rulemaking (PRM)-50-115, "Petition for Rulemaking—Fire Protection Compensatory Measures," dated May 1, 2017, submitted by David Lochbaum and Paul Gunter (the petitioners) on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists and Beyond Nuclear, respectively. The petitioners request that the NRC issue regulations that establish acceptable conditions for the use of compensatory measures (e.g., fire watches, surveillance cameras) during periods when fire protection regulations are not met, as well as define the maximum duration that compensatory measures may be relied upon. The NRC staff concludes that the petitioners did not present sufficient new information or arguments to warrant the requested changes to the regulations in light of the NRC's relevant

past decisions and current policies. Therefore, the NRC is denying PRM-50-115. The docket for PRM-50-115 is closed as of April 8, 2020.

Biweekly Notice; Applications and Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses and Combined Licenses Involving No Significant Hazards Considerations

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Reference NFPA

Pursuant to section 189.a.(2) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is publishing this regular biweekly notice. The Act requires the Commission to publish notice of any amendments issued, or proposed to be issued, and grants the Commission the authority to issue and make immediately effective any amendment to an operating license or combined license, as applicable, upon a determination by the Commission that such amendment involves no significant hazards consideration, notwithstanding the pendency before the Commission of a request for a hearing from any person. This biweekly notice includes all amendments issued, or proposed to be issued, from approximately March 10, 2020, to March 23, 2020. The last biweekly notice was published on March 24, 2020. **Comments must be filed by May 7, 2020. A request for a hearing or petitions for leave to intervene must be filed by June 8, 2020.**
