

## U.S. Federal Register Update: September 11 – September 15, 2017

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### [Amendment to Standard for All-Terrain Vehicles; Notice of Proposed Rulemaking](#)

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**Reference** ANSI

The Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA) required the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC or the Commission) to publish, as a mandatory consumer product safety standard, the American National Standard for Four-Wheel All-Terrain Vehicles Equipment Configuration, and Performance Requirements, developed by the Specialty Vehicle Institute of America (ANSI/SVIA 1-2007). CPSC published that mandatory consumer product safety standard on November 14, 2008. ANSI/SVIA issued a 2017 edition of its standard in June 2017. In accordance with the CPSIA, CPSC proposes to amend the Commission's mandatory ATV standard to reference the 2017 edition of the ANSI/SVIA standard. **Submit comments by November 27, 2017.**

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### [MET Laboratories, Inc.: Grant of Expansion of Recognition and Update to the NRTL Program's List of Appropriate Test Standards](#)

**Published** 9/13/2017

**Reference** ANSI, UL

In this notice, OSHA announces its final decision to expand the scope of recognition for MET Laboratories, Inc., as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL). Additionally, OSHA announces its final decision to add two new test standards to the NRTL Program's List of Appropriate Test Standards. **The expansion of the scope of recognition becomes effective on September 13, 2017.**

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### [Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to a Pile Driving Activities for Waterfront Repairs at the U.S. Coast Guard Station Monterey, Monterey, California](#)

**Published** 9/13/2017

**Reference** ANSI

NMFS has received a request from the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to pile driving activities for waterfront repairs at the USCG Monterey Station in Monterey, California. Pursuant to the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), NMFS is requesting comments on its proposal to issue an incidental harassment authorization (IHA) to take marine mammals during the specified activities. 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 October 13, 2017.**

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### [Biweekly Notice: Applications and Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses and Combined Licenses Involving No Significant Hazards Considerations](#)

**Published** 9/12/2017

**Reference** ASME

Pursuant to Section 189a.(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 notices of amendments issued, or proposed to be issued, from August 15, 2017 to August 28, 2017. The last biweekly notice was published on August 29, 2017. **Comments must be filed by October 12, 2017. A request for a hearing must be filed by November 13, 2017.**

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### [Stainless Steel Flanges From India and the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations](#)

**Published** 9/11/2017

**Reference ASME, ASTM**

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On August 18 and 21, 2017, the Department requested supplemental information pertaining to certain areas of the Petitions. The petitioners filed responses to these requests on August 22, 2017. The petitioners filed revised scope language on August 30, 2017.

In accordance with section 732(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), the petitioners allege that imports of stainless steel flanges from India and the PRC are likely to be sold in the United States at less than fair value within the meaning of section 731 of the Act, and that such imports are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, the domestic industry producing stainless steel flanges in the United States. Also, consistent with section 732(b)(1) of the Act, the Petitions are accompanied by information reasonably available to the petitioners supporting their allegations.

The Department finds that the petitioners filed these Petitions on behalf of the domestic industry because the petitioners are interested parties as defined in sections 771(9)(C) and (F) of the Act. The Department also finds that the petitioners demonstrated sufficient industry support with respect to the initiation of the AD investigations that the petitioners are requesting. **Effective September 11, 2017.**

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**[Amendment to Standards and Practices for All Appropriate Inquiries Under CERCLA](#)****Published 9/15/2017****Reference ASTM**

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or the agency) is taking final action to amend the Standards and Practices for All Appropriate Inquiries to update an existing reference to a standard practice revised by ASTM International, a widely recognized standards development organization. Specifically, this final rule amends the All Appropriate Inquiries Rule to reference ASTM International's E2247-16 "Standard Practice for Environmental Site Assessments: Phase I Environmental

Site Assessment Process for Forestland or Rural Property” and allow for its use to satisfy the statutory requirements for conducting all appropriate inquiries under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA). **This final rule is effective on March 14, 2018.**

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#### [Accreditation of Intertek USA, Inc., Yabucoa, PR, as a Commercial Laboratory](#)

**Published** 9/12/2017

**Reference** ASTM

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Intertek USA, Inc., Yabucoa, PR, has been accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of July 7, 2016. **As of July 7, 2016, Intertek USA, Inc., Yabucoa, PR, was reaccredited as a Customs-accredited laboratory. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for July 2019.**

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#### [Accreditation and Approval of Intertek USA, Inc., Savannah, GA, as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory](#)

**Published** 9/12/2017

**Reference** ASTM

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Intertek USA, Inc., Savannah, GA, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of September 22, 2016. **As of September 22, 2016, Intertek USA, Inc., Savannah, GA, was reapproved as a Customs-approved commercial gauger and reaccredited as a Customs-accredited laboratory. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for September 2019.**

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#### [Airworthiness Directives; Honeywell International Inc. Turboprop and Turboshaft Engines](#)

**Published** 9/13/2017

**Reference** ASTM, IEC, ISO

We propose to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain Honeywell International Inc. TPE331 turboprop and TSE331 turboshaft engines. This proposed AD was prompted by recent reports of failures of the direct drive fuel control gears and bearings in the hydraulic torque sensor gear assembly, part number (P/N) 3101726-3. This proposed AD would require initial and repetitive engine oil filter sampling and analysis of the affected engines. This proposed AD would also require inspection of hydraulic torque sensor gear assemblies that do not meet oil filter inspection requirements. This proposed AD would further require improved component overhaul procedures that would remove from service, by attrition, certain P/N hydraulic torque sensor gear assemblies. We are proposing this AD to correct the unsafe condition on these products. **We must receive comments on this proposed AD by October 30, 2017.**

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#### [Importation of Bone-In Ovine Meat From Uruguay](#)

**Published** 9/12/2017

**Reference** ISO

We are amending the regulations governing the importation of certain animals, meat, and other animal products by allowing, under certain conditions, the importation of bone-in ovine meat from Uruguay. Based on the evidence in a risk assessment that we prepared, we believe that bone-in ovine meat can safely be imported from Uruguay provided certain conditions are met. This final rule will provide for the importation of bone-in ovine meat from Uruguay into the United States, while continuing to protect the United States against the introduction of foot-and-mouth disease. **Effective October 12, 2017.**

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#### [Automated Driving Systems: A Vision for Safety](#)

**Published** 9/15/2017

**Reference** SAE

NHTSA is releasing new voluntary guidance on automated driving systems—Automated Driving Systems: A Vision for Safety. The new voluntary guidance is based on public comments received on the Federal Automated Vehicles Policy (FAVP) released in September 2016. The purpose of this new voluntary guidance is to support industry innovators, States and other key stakeholders as they consider and design best practices relative to the testing and deployment of automated vehicle technologies, while informing and educating the public and improving roadway safety. NHTSA invites public comment on the voluntary guidance and additional ways to improve its usefulness.

This new voluntary guidance is an important part of DOT's multi-modal efforts to support the introduction of automation technologies that hold the promise of fulfilling NHTSA's mission of reducing the number of injuries and fatalities on our

roads. As an update to the FAVP this new voluntary guidance serves as NHTSA's current operating guidance for Automated Driving Systems (ADSs—SAE International Automation Levels 3-5). NHTSA intends to continue to revise and refine the guidance periodically to reflect continued public input, experience, research, and innovation, and will address significant comments in preparing future iterations of the guidance. This guidance supports that effort. **You should submit your comments early enough to ensure that Docket Management receives them no later than November 14, 2017.**

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#### Reports, Forms, and Recordkeeping Requirements

**Published** 9/15/2017

##### **Reference** SAE

Before a Federal agency may collect certain information from the public, it must receive approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Under procedures established by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before seeking OMB approval, Federal agencies must solicit public comment on proposed collections of information, including extensions and reinstatements of previously approved collections. This document describes a modification of an existing collection of information for which NHTSA intends to seek OMB approval. **Comments must be received on or before November 14, 2017.**

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#### Volkswagen Group of America; Receipt of Petition for Temporary Exemption From FMVSS No. 108

**Published** 9/11/2017

##### **Reference** SAE

In accordance with the procedures, Volkswagen Group of America (Volkswagen, or Petitioner) has petitioned the agency for a temporary exemption from certain headlamp requirements of FMVSS No. 108 to allow the use of adaptive driving beam headlights. Volkswagen requests the exemption on the basis that it would facilitate the development or field evaluation of a new motor vehicle safety feature providing a safety level at least equal to that of the standard. NHTSA has made no judgment on the merits of the application. This notice of receipt of an application for a temporary exemption is published in accordance with statutory and administrative provisions. **You should submit your comments not later than October 11, 2017.**

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