U.S. Federal Register Update: July 15 – July 19, 2019

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Taking of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specific Activities; Taking of Marine Mammals Incidental To Pile Driving Activities During Construction of a Ferry Terminal at Seaplane Lagoon, Alameda Point, San Francisco, California
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Reference ANSI, ISO
NMFS has received a request from the City of Alameda (City) for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to pile driving activities during construction of a ferry terminal at Seaplane Lagoon, Alameda Point, San Francisco, California. 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 August 19, 2019.

Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Dishwashers, Grant of Petition for Rulemaking
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Reference ANSI, AHAM
The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) received a petition from the Competitive Enterprise Institute (CEI) to define a new product class under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended (EPCA), for residential dishwashers. The new product class would cover dishwashers with a cycle time for the normal cycle of less than one hour from washing through drying. DOE published this petition and request for comments in the Federal Register on April 24, 2018. Based upon its evaluation of the petition and careful consideration of the public comments, DOE has decided to grant this petition for rulemaking and propose a dishwasher product class with a cycle time for the normal cycle of less than one hour. DOE intends to consider appropriate energy and water use limits for such a product class, if adopted, in a separate rulemaking. Written comments and information are requested on or before and will be accepted on or before September 16, 2019.

Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Ferry Berth Improvements in Tongass Narrows, Alaska
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Reference ANSI
NMFS has received a request from the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (ADOT&PF) for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to two years of activity related to ferry berth improvements and construction in Tongass Narrows, near Ketchikan, AK. Pursuant to the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), NMFS is requesting comments on its proposal to issue two consecutive incidental harassment authorizations (IHAs) to incidentally take marine mammals during the specified activities. The marine construction associated with the proposed activities will occur during two distinct year-long phases, and incidental take associated with these phases would be authorized in separate, consecutive IHAs. NMFS is also requesting comments on a possible one-year renewal for each IHA 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 August 16, 2019.

Hazardous Materials: Notice of Applications for Special Permits
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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 August 15, 2019.**

**Pure Magnesium From the People's Republic of China: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2017-2018**

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**Reference ASTM**
The Department of Commerce (Commerce) continues to find that Tianjin Magnesium International, Co., Ltd. (TMI) and Tianjin Magnesium Metal Co., Ltd. (TMM) (collectively, TMI/TMM) had no shipments of subject merchandise covered by the antidumping duty order on pure magnesium from the People's Republic of China (China) for the period of review (POR) May 1, 2017 through April 31, 2018. **Applicable July 18, 2019.**

**Notice of Scope Rulings**
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**Reference ASTM**
The Department of Commerce (Commerce) hereby publishes a list of scope rulings and anti-circumvention determinations made between January 1, 2018, and March 31, 2018, inclusive. We intend to publish future lists after the close of the next calendar quarter. **Applicable July 16, 2019.**

**Energy Conservation Program: Petition for Waiver of Anker Innovations Limited From the Department of Energy External Power Supply Test Procedure and Grant of Interim Waiver**

**Published 7/17/2019**
**Reference IEC**
This document announces receipt of and publishes a petition for waiver from Anker Innovations Limited (“Anker”), which seeks a waiver from the U.S. Department of Energy (“DOE”) test procedure used for determining the energy efficiency of a specified EPS basic model. Anker asserts that testing under the current DOE test procedure does not reflect actual use of EPSs that meet the USB Power Delivery Specification and seeks to use an alternate test procedure. DOE is granting to Anker an interim waiver from the DOE test procedure for the specified basic model, subject to use of the alternate test procedure as set forth in the Interim Waiver Order. DOE solicits comments, data, and information concerning Anker's petition and its suggested alternate test procedure, as well as the alternate test procedure specified in the interim waiver, to inform its final decision on Anker's waiver request. **Written comments and information are requested and will be accepted on or before August 16, 2019.**

**Electronic Submission; Data Standards; Support for Geopolitical Entities, Names, and Codes**

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**Reference ISO**
The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or Agency) is announcing the adoption of the current version of the Geopolitical Entities, Names, and Codes (GENC) Standard on December 17, 2020. The GENC Standard is the U.S. Government profile of International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 3166 “Codes for the Representation of Names of Countries and Their Subdivisions.” It specifies an authoritative set of country codes and names for use by the U.S. Government for information exchange, using ISO 3166 names and code elements wherever possible, with modifications only when necessary to comply with U.S. law and U.S. Government recognition policy. Adopting the GENC Standard will enable FDA to be in conformance with U.S. Government naming and recognition policies. You may submit comments at any time regarding the appropriateness or timing of FDA’s adoption of the GENC Standard.

**Kinder Morgan Louisiana Pipeline LLC; Notice of Application**

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**Reference ISO**
Take notice that on June 28, 2019, Kinder Morgan Louisiana Pipeline LLC (Kinder Morgan), at 1001 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas 77002, filed an application in the above reference docket an application pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) to construct certain facilities. Kinder Morgan proposes to construct, and operate the Acadiana Project (Project). The Project involves the: (1) Installation of three (3) new gas fired compressor units totaling 95,700 International Organization for Standardization (ISO) horsepower at Kinder Morgan's existing Compressor Station No. 760 in Acadia Parish, Louisiana, (2) modifications to meter piping at Kinder Morgan's existing Columbia Gulf Transmission Meter Station in Evangeline Parish, Louisiana, and (3) the installation of auxiliary facilities at both locations, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission’s website at http://www.ferc.gov using the “eLibrary” link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC at FERConlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (866) 208-3676 or TYY, (202) 502-8659.

Centers of Excellence for Domestic Maritime Workforce Training and Education Designation Program Guidance: Proposed New Policy and Information Collection Request

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Reference ISO
This notice provides interested parties with the opportunity to comment on the Maritime Administration’s (MARAD) new program designating eligible and qualified training entities as Centers of Excellence for Domestic Maritime Workforce Training and Education (CoE). The National Defense Authorization Act of 2018 (the Act), provided the Secretary of Transportation with the discretionary authority to designate eligible and qualified entities as CoEs. CoE designations will serve to assist the maritime industry in obtaining and maintaining the highest quality workforce. On May 31, 2018, MARAD published a notice in the Federal Register seeking public comment regarding the development of a guide for applicants seeking CoE designation. MARAD received a total of eighteen comments which have been considered and are examined in the Supplementary Information section below. Now, MARAD is proposing to implement a voluntary program to identify and recommend qualified training providers for CoE designation. MARAD invites public comment on this new program and its application guidance. Comments must be received on or before September 17, 2019. MARAD will consider comments filed after this date to the extent practicable.

Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Requirements for Long-Term Care Facilities: Regulatory Provisions To Promote Efficiency, and Transparency

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Reference NFPA
This proposed rule would reform the Medicare and Medicaid long-term care requirements that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has identified as unnecessary, obsolete, or excessively burdensome. This rule would increase the ability of health care professionals to apportion resources to improving resident care by eliminating or reducing requirements that impede quality care or that divert resources away from providing high quality care. To be assured consideration, comments must be received at one of the addresses provided, no later than 5 p.m. on September 16, 2019.