

U.S. Federal Register Update: June 24 – June 28, 2019

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[Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Site Characterization Surveys Off the Coast of North Carolina](#)

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Reference ANSI

In accordance with the regulations implementing the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) as amended, notification is hereby given that we have issued an incidental harassment authorization (IHA) to Avangrid Renewables, LLC (Avangrid) to take small numbers of marine mammals, by harassment, incidental to high-resolution geophysical (HRG) survey investigations associated with marine site characterization activities off the coast of North Carolina in the area of the Commercial Lease of Submerged Lands for Renewable Energy Development on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS-A 0508) (the Lease Area) and the coastal waters off North Carolina and Virginia where one or more cable route corridors will be established. **This authorization is effective from June 1, 2019, through May 31, 2020.**

[QPS Evaluation Services, Inc.: Grant of Expansion of Recognition](#)

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Reference ANSI, UL

In this notice, OSHA announces its final decision to expand the scope of recognition for QPS Evaluation Services, Inc., as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL). **The expansion of the scope of recognition becomes effective on June 28, 2019.**

[Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Alaska Liquefied Natural Gas \(LNG\) Project in Cook Inlet](#)

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Reference ANSI, SAE

NMFS has received a request from the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation (AGDC) for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to Alaska LNG Project in Cook Inlet, over the course of five years (2020-2025). Pursuant to the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), NMFS is proposing regulations to govern that take, and requests comments on the proposed regulations. 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 July 29, 2019.**

[Semiannual Regulatory Agenda](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASTM, NFPA, UL

In this document, the Commission publishes its semiannual regulatory flexibility agenda. In addition, this document includes an agenda of regulatory actions that the Commission expects to be under development or review by the agency during the next year. This document meets the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act and Executive Order 12866. The Commission welcomes comments on the agenda and on the individual agenda entries. **Comments should be received in the Division of the Secretariat on or before July 24, 2019.**

[National Primary Drinking Water Regulations: Perchlorate](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASTM

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing a drinking water regulation for perchlorate and a health-based Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) in accordance with the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). The EPA is proposing to set both the enforceable Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for the perchlorate regulation and the perchlorate MCLG at 0.056 mg/L (56 µg/L). The EPA is proposing requirements for water systems to conduct monitoring and reporting for perchlorate and to provide information about perchlorate to their consumers through public notification and consumer confidence reports. This proposal includes requirements for primacy agencies that implement the public water system

supervision program under the SDWA. This proposal also includes a list of treatment technologies that would enable water systems to comply with the MCL, including affordable compliance technologies for small systems serving 10,000 persons or less. **Comments must be received on or before August 26, 2019. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), comments on the information collection provisions are best assured of consideration if the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) receives a copy of your comments on or before July 26, 2019.**

[Aluminum Wire and Cable From China; Scheduling of the Final Phase of Countervailing Duty and Anti-Dumping Duty Investigations](#)

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Reference ASTM, UL

The Commission hereby gives notice of the scheduling of the final phase of antidumping and countervailing duty investigation Nos. 701-TA-611 and 731-TA-1428 (Final) pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930 ("the Act") to determine whether an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury, or the establishment of an industry in the United States is materially retarded, by reason of imports of aluminum wire and cable from China, provided for in subheading 8544.49.90 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, preliminarily determined by the Department of Commerce ("Commerce") to be subsidized and sold at less-than-fair-value.

[Circular Welded Carbon-Quality Steel Pipe From the People's Republic of China: Continuation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders](#)

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Reference ASTM

As a result of the determinations by the Department of Commerce (Commerce) and the International Trade Commission (ITC) that revocation of the antidumping duty (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) orders on circular welded carbon-quality steel pipe (CWP) from the People's Republic of China (China) would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping, countervailable subsidies, and material injury to an industry in the United States, Commerce is publishing a notice of continuation of the AD and CVD orders. **Applicable June 26, 2019.**

[National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Solvent Extraction for Vegetable Oil Production Residual Risk and Technology Review](#)

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Reference ASTM

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing amendments to the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for Solvent Extraction for Vegetable Oil Production. The source category addressed in this action is the Solvent Extraction for Vegetable Oil Production source category. The EPA is proposing the results of the residual risk and technology review (RTR) that the EPA is required to conduct in accordance with the Clean Air Act (CAA). Based on the results of the EPA's risk review, the Agency is proposing that risk due to emissions of air toxics from this source category is acceptable and that the current NESHAP provides an ample margin of safety to protect public health. Under the technology review, the EPA is proposing there are no developments in practices, processes, or control technologies that necessitate revision of the standards. Therefore, the EPA is proposing no revisions to the numerical emission limits based on these analyses. However, the EPA is proposing to revise provisions pertaining to emissions during periods of startup, shutdown, and malfunction (SSM); add requirements for electronic reporting of certain notifications and reports and performance test results; and make other minor clarifications and corrections. Although the proposed amendments would not result in reductions in emissions of hazardous air pollutants (HAP), if finalized, they would result in improved compliance and implementation of the rule. **Comments must be received on or before August 12, 2019. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), comments on the information collection provisions are best assured of consideration if the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) receives a copy of your comments on or before July 29, 2019.**

[Regulatory Agenda](#)

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Reference IEC

The Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 and Executive Order (E.O.) 12866 require the semiannual issuance of an inventory of rulemaking actions under development throughout the Department, offering for public review summarized information about forthcoming regulatory actions.

Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions-Spring 2019

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Reference IEC, ISO, NEMA

Twice a year, in spring and fall, the Commission publishes in the Federal Register a list in the Unified Agenda of those major items and other significant proceedings under development or review that pertain to the Regulatory Flexibility Act (U.S.C. 602). The Unified Agenda also provides the Code of Federal Regulations citations and legal authorities that govern these proceedings. The complete Unified Agenda will be published on the internet in a searchable format at www.reginfo.gov.

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Application

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Reference ISO

Take notice that on June 6, 2019, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, filed in Docket No. CP19-479-000 an application pursuant to section 7 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations, requesting authorization to abandon in-place Northern's A-line and J-line located in Clay, Cloud, Ellsworth, Lincoln, Ottawa, and Rice Counties, Kansas, and to construct and operate certain compression facilities at Northern's existing Tescott Compressor Station (CS) in Ottawa County, Kansas (A-line Replacement Project), all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.
