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

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TUV SUD America, 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 TUV SUD America, Inc., as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL). The expansion of the scope of recognition becomes effective on February 7, 2019.

Instrument Sensing Lines
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Reference ANSI, ISO
The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing for public comment draft regulatory guide (DG), DG-1352, “Instrument Sensing Lines.” DG-1352 describes an approach that is acceptable to the staff of the NRC to meet regulatory requirements for instrument sensing lines in nuclear power plants. The DG would endorse, with certain clarifications, standards that were updated and corrected subsequent to the last time the NRC endorsed them. More information on updates can be found in the “Additional Information” section below. Submit comments by April 9, 2019. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date. Although a time limit is given, comments and suggestions in connection with items for inclusion in guides currently being developed or improvements in all published guides are encouraged at any time.

Hazardous Materials: Notice of Applications for Special Permits
Published 2/6/2019
Reference ASME
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. Each mode of transportation for which a particular special permit is requested is indicated by a number in the “Nature of Application” portion of the table below as follows: 1—Motor vehicle, 2—Rail freight, 3—Cargo vessel, 4—Cargo aircraft only, 5—Passenger-carrying aircraft. Comments must be received on or before March 8, 2019.

Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From the People’s Republic of China: Antidumping Duty Order
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Reference ASTM
Based on affirmative final determinations by the Department of Commerce (Commerce) and the International Trade Commission (ITC), Commerce is issuing an antidumping duty (AD) order on common alloy aluminum sheet (common alloy sheet) from the People’s Republic of China (China). Applicable January 8, 2019.

Accreditation of AmSpec LLC (New Haven, CT), as a Commercial Laboratory
Published 2/4/2019
Reference ASTM
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that AmSpec LLC (New Haven, CT), has been accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes as of November 8, 2018. **AmSpec LLC (New Haven, CT) was accredited, as a commercial laboratory as of November 8, 2018. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for August 2021.**

**Accreditation and Approval of Inspectorate America Corporation (Corpus Christi, TX) as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory**
*Published 2/4/2019*
*Reference ASTM*
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Inspectorate America Corporation (Corpus Christi, 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 February 14, 2017. **Inspectorate America Corporation (Corpus Christi, TX) was approved and accredited as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of February 14, 2017. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for February 2020.**

**Accreditation of Dixie Services Inc. (Galena Park, TX) as a Commercial Laboratory**
*Published 2/4/2019*
*Reference ASTM*
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Dixie Services Inc. (Galena Park, TX), has been accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of August 28, 2018. **Dixie Services Inc. (Galena Park, TX) was accredited as a commercial laboratory as of August 28, 2018. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for August 2021.**

**Accreditation and Approval of Spectrum International LLC (Roselle, NJ) as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory**
*Published 2/4/2019*
*Reference ASTM*
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Spectrum International LLC (Roselle, NJ), 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 July 23, 2018. **Spectrum International LLC (Roselle, NJ) was approved and accredited as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of July 23, 2018. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for July 2021.**

**Accreditation and Approval of Certispec Services USA, Inc. (Texas City, TX) as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory**
*Published 2/4/2019*
*Reference ASTM*
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Certispec Services USA, Inc. (Texas City, 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 3, 2017. **Certispec Services USA, Inc. (Texas City, TX) was approved and accredited as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of April 3, 2017. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for April 2020.**

**Accreditation and Approval of Intertek USA, Inc. (Texas City, TX) as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory**
*Published 2/4/2019*
*Reference ASTM*
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Intertek USA, Inc. (Texas City, 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 February 28, 2018. **Intertek USA, Inc. (Texas City, TX) was approved and accredited as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of February 28, 2018. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for February 2021.**
Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From the People's Republic of China: Countervailing Duty Order

Published 2/6/2019
Reference ASTM

Based on affirmative final determinations by the Department of Commerce (Commerce) and the International Trade Commission (ITC), Commerce is issuing a countervailing duty order on common alloy aluminum sheet (common alloy sheet) from the People's Republic of China (China). Applicable February 6, 2019.

Energy Conservation Program: Petition for Waiver of Beghelli North America From the Department of Energy Illuminated Exit Signs Test Procedure

Published 2/6/2019
Reference IEC

This document announces receipt of and publishes a petition for waiver from Beghelli North America ("Beghelli"), which seeks a waiver from the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") test procedure used for determining the energy consumption of specified illuminated exit sign basic models. Beghelli seeks to use an alternate test procedure to address issues involved in testing the basic models identified in its petition. Beghelli contends that the design characteristics of its combination illuminated exit signs prevent them from being accurately tested using the currently applicable DOE test procedure. Beghelli has suggested an alternate test procedure to test and rate the Beghelli basic models specified in its petition. For the reasons discussed in this document DOE is proposing a different alternate test procedure. DOE solicits comments, data, and information concerning Beghelli’s petition, its suggested alternate test procedure, and DOE’s proposed alternate test procedure to inform its decision on Beghelli’s waiver request. Written comments and information are requested and will be accepted on or before March 8, 2019.

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993-National Fire Protection Association

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Reference NFPA

Notice is hereby given that, on December 21, 2018, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 et seq. (“the Act”), National Fire Protection Association (“NFPA”) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing additions or changes to its standards development activities. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act’s provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Specifically, NFPA has provided an updated and current list of its standards development activities, related technical committee and conformity assessment activities. Information concerning NFPA regulations, technical committees, current standards, standards development and conformity assessment activities are publicly available at nfpa.org.

SGS North America, Inc.: Application for Expansion of Recognition and Proposed Modification to the NRTL Program’s List of Appropriate Test Standards

Published 2/7/2019
Reference UL

In this notice, OSHA announces the application of SGS North America, Inc. for expansion of its recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) and presents the agency’s preliminary finding to grant the application. Additionally, OSHA proposes to add fourteen 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 February 22, 2019.

Proposed Modification to the List of Appropriate NRTL Program Test Standards and the Scopes of Recognition of Several NRTLs

Published 2/7/2019
Reference UL
In this notice, OSHA proposes to: (1) Remove and replace a test standard from the NRTL Program’s list of appropriate test standards; and (2) update the scopes of recognition of several NRTLs. Submit comments, information, and documents in response to this notice, or requests for an extension of time to make a submission, on or before March 11, 2019. All submissions must bear a postmark or provide other evidence of the submission date.

Intertek Testing Services NA, Inc.: Application for Expansion of Recognition
Published 2/5/2019
Reference UL
In this notice, OSHA announces the application of Intertek Testing Services NA, Inc., for expansion of recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) and presents the agency’s preliminary finding to grant the application. Submit comments, information, and documents in response to this notice, or requests for an extension of time to make a submission, on or before February 20, 2019.