U.S. Federal Register Update: October 29 – November 2, 2018

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Energy Conservation Program: Decision and Order Granting a Waiver to AHT Cooling Systems GmbH and AHT Cooling Systems USA Inc. From the Department of Energy Commercial Refrigerator, Freezer, and Refrigerator-Freezer Test Procedure
Published 10/30/2018
Reference ASHRAE
The U.S. Department of Energy (“DOE”) gives notice of a Decision and Order (Case Number 2017-007) that grants AHT Cooling Systems GmbH and AHT Cooling Systems USA Inc. (“AHT”) a waiver from specified portions of the DOE test procedure for determining the energy consumption of specified commercial refrigerators, freezers, and refrigerator-freezers (collectively “commercial refrigeration equipment”) basic models. Under the Decision and Order, AHT is required to test and rate the specified basic models of its commercial refrigeration equipment in accordance with the alternate test procedure specified in the Decision and Order. The Decision and Order is effective on October 30, 2018. The Decision and Order will terminate upon the compliance date of any future amendment to the test procedure for commercial refrigeration equipment located at 10 CFR part 431, subpart C, appendix B that addresses the issues presented in this waiver. At such time, AHT must use the relevant test procedure for this equipment for any testing to demonstrate compliance with standards, and any other representations of energy use.

Technical Issues-Formaldehyde Emission Standards for Composite Wood Products
Published 11/1/2018
Reference ASTM, IEC, ISO
EPA is proposing to amend the regulations promulgated in a final rule that published in the Federal Register on December 12, 2016, concerning formaldehyde emission standards for composite wood products. EPA is publishing these proposed amendments to address certain technical issues and to further align the final rule requirements with the California Air Resources Board (CARB) Airborne Toxic Control Measures (ATCM) Phase II program. Addressing these technical issues would add clarity for regulated entities. These revisions to the existing rule would also streamline compliance programs and help to ensure continued smooth transitions for supply chains to comply with the requirements associated with regulated composite wood products. Comments must be received on or before December 3, 2018.

Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Certification of Airmen for the Operation of Light-Sport Aircraft
Published 10/31/2018
Reference ASTM
In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on August 27, 2018.

This collection involves the submission of forms and other reporting and recordkeeping activities. The information to be collected is necessary to ensure compliance with regulations governing the manufacture and certification of light-sport aircraft, the training and certification of light-sport pilots and instructors, and the certification of light-sport aircraft Designated Pilot Examiners. Written comments should be submitted by November 30, 2018.