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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Occupational Safety and Health Administration**

[Docket No. OSHA-2006-0040]

**SGS North America, Inc.: Grant of Expansion of Recognition and Modification to the NRTL Program's List of Appropriate Test Standards**

**AGENCY:** Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, OSHA announces the final decision to expand the scope of recognition for SGS North America, Inc., as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL). Additionally, OSHA announces the addition of three test standards to the NRTL Program's List of Appropriate Test Standards.

**DATES:** The expansion of the scope of recognition becomes effective on March 24, 2020.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Information regarding this notice is available from the following sources:

*Press inquiries:* Contact Mr. Frank Meilinger, Director, OSHA Office of Communications, U.S. Department of Labor; telephone: (202) 693-1999; email: [meilinger.francis2@dol.gov](mailto:meilinger.francis2@dol.gov).

*General and technical information:* Contact Mr. Kevin Robinson, Director, Office of Technical Programs and Coordination Activities, Directorate of Technical Support and Emergency Management, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor; telephone: (202) 693-2110; email: [robinson.kevin@dol.gov](mailto:robinson.kevin@dol.gov). OSHA's web page includes information about the NRTL Program (see <http://www.osha.gov/dts/otpc/nrtl/index.html>).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Notice of Final Decision**

OSHA hereby gives notice of the expansion of the scope of recognition of SGS of North America, Inc. (SGS), as a NRTL. SGS's expansion covers the addition of twelve test standards to its scope of recognition. Additionally, OSHA announces the addition of three test standards to the NRTL Program's List of Appropriate Test Standards.

OSHA recognition of a NRTL signifies that the organization meets the

requirements specified by 29 CFR 1910.7. Recognition is an acknowledgment that the organization can perform independent safety testing and certification of the specific products covered within the scope of recognition and is not a delegation or grant of government authority. As a result of recognition, employers may use products properly approved by the NRTL to meet OSHA standards that require testing and certification of the products.

The agency processes applications by a NRTL for initial recognition, or for expansion or renewal of this recognition, following requirements in Appendix A to 29 CFR 1910.7. This appendix requires that the agency publish two notices in the **Federal Register** in processing an application. In the first notice, OSHA announces the application and provides a preliminary finding and, in the second notice, the agency provides the final decision on the application. These notices set forth the NRTL's scope of recognition or modifications of that scope. OSHA maintains an informational web page for each NRTL that details the scope of recognition. These pages are available from the agency's website at <http://www.osha.gov/dts/otpc/nrtl/index.html>.

SGS submitted two applications, one dated February 14, 2018 (OSHA-2006-0040-0049), another dated October 2, 2018 (OSHA-2006-0050), which was revised on March 9, 2019 (OSHA-2006-0040-0051), to expand its scope of recognition to include the addition of twelve test standards. OSHA staff performed a detailed analysis of the application packet and reviewed other pertinent information. OSHA did not perform any on-site reviews in relation to these applications.

OSHA published the preliminary notice announcing SGS's expansion application and proposed addition to the NRTL Program's List of Appropriate Test Standards in the **Federal Register** on November 5, 2019 (84 FR 59649). The agency requested comments by November 20, 2019, but it received no comments in response to this notice. OSHA now is proceeding with this final notice to grant expansion of SGS's scope of recognition.

To obtain or review copies of all public documents pertaining to SGS's applications, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> or contact the Docket Office, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Room N-3653, Washington, DC 20210. Docket No. OSHA-2006-0040 contains

all materials in the record concerning SGS's recognition.

**II. Final Decision and Order**

OSHA staff examined SGS's expansion applications, the capability to meet the requirements of the test standards, and other pertinent information. Based on a review of this evidence, OSHA finds that SGS meets the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.7 for expansion of the recognition, subject to the specified limitation and conditions listed. OSHA, therefore, is proceeding with this final notice to grant expansion of SGS's scope of recognition. OSHA limits the expansion of SGS's scope of recognition to testing and certification of products for demonstration of conformance to the test standard listed in Table 1.

TABLE 1—LIST OF APPROPRIATE TEST STANDARDS FOR INCLUSION IN SGS'S NRTL SCOPE OF RECOGNITION

Test standard	Test standard title
UL 22 .....	Standard for Amusement and Gaming Machines.
UL 430 .....	Electric Waste Disposers.
UL 466 .....	Standard for Electric Scales.
UL 574 .....	Standard for Electric Oil Heaters.
UL 826 .....	Standard for Electric Clocks.
UL 1740 .....	Robots and Robotic Equipment.
UL 2524 .....	In-Building 2-Way Emergency Radio Communication Enhancement Systems.
ANSI Z83.26 ..	Gas-Fired Outdoor Infrared Patio Heaters.
ANSI Z21.58 ..	Outdoor Cooking Gas Appliances.
ANSI Z21.89 ..	Outdoor Cooking Specialty Gas Appliances.
ANSI Z83.7 ....	American National Standard/CSA Standard for Gas-Fired Construction Heaters.
ANSI Z21.1 ....	Household Cooking Gas Appliances.

In this notice, OSHA also announces the addition of three new test standards to the NRTL Program's List of Appropriate Test Standards. Table 2, below, lists the test standards that are new to the NRTL Program. OSHA has determined that these test standards are appropriate test standards and will include it in the NRTL Program's List of Appropriate Test Standards.

TABLE 2—TEST STANDARDS OSHA IS ADDING TO THE NRTL PROGRAM'S LIST OF APPROPRIATE TEST STANDARDS

Test standard	Test standard title
UL 2524 .....	In-Building 2-Way Emergency Radio Communication Enhancement Systems.
ANSI Z83.26 ..	Gas-Fired Outdoor Infrared Patio Heaters.
ANSI Z21.89 ..	Outdoor Cooking Specialty Gas Appliances.

OSHA's recognition of any NRTL for a particular test standard is limited to equipment or materials for which OSHA standards require third-party testing and certification before using them in the workplace. Consequently, if a test standard also covers any products for which OSHA does not require such testing and certification, a NRTL's scope of recognition does not include these products.

#### A. Conditions

In addition to those conditions already required by 29 CFR 1910.7, SGS must abide by the following conditions of the recognition:

1. SGS must inform OSHA as soon as possible, in writing, of any change of ownership, facilities, or key personnel, and of any major change in the operations as a NRTL, and provide details of the change(s);

2. SGS must meet all the terms of the recognition and comply with all OSHA policies pertaining to this recognition; and

3. SGS must continue to meet the requirements for recognition, including all previously published conditions on SGS's scope of recognition, in all areas for which it has recognition.

Pursuant to the authority in 29 CFR 1910.7, OSHA hereby expands the scope of recognition of SGS, subject to the limitation and conditions specified above. OSHA also adds one new test standard to the NRTL Program's List of Appropriate Test Standards.

### III. Authority and Signature

Loren Sweatt, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, authorized the preparation of this notice. Accordingly, the agency is issuing this notice pursuant to 29 U.S.C. 657(g)(2), Secretary of Labor's Order No. 1-2012 (77 FR 3912, Jan. 25, 2012), and 29 CFR 1910.7.

Signed at Washington, DC, on March 18, 2020.

**Loren Sweatt,**

*Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. OSHA-2013-0012]

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

**AGENCY:** Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, OSHA announces the final decision to: (1) Add one new test standard to the Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratories (NRTL) Program's list of appropriate test standards; (2) delete or replace several test standards from the NRTL Program's list of appropriate test standards; and (3) update the scope of recognition of several NRTLs.

**DATES:** The actions contained in this notice will become effective on March 24, 2020.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

The NRTL Program recognizes organizations that provide product-safety testing and certification services to manufacturers. These organizations perform testing and certification for purposes of the program, to U.S. consensus-based product-safety test standards. The products covered by the NRTL Program consist of those items for which OSHA safety standards require

“certification” by a NRTL. The requirements affect electrical products and 38 other types of products. OSHA does not develop or issue these test standards, but generally relies on standards development organizations (SDOs), which develop and maintain the standards using a method that provides input and consideration of views of industry groups, experts, users, consumers, governmental authorities and others having broad experience in the safety field involved.

#### *Addition of New Test Standards to the NRTL List of Appropriate Test Standards*

Periodically, OSHA will add new test standards to the NRTL list of appropriate test standards following an evaluation of the test standard document. To qualify as an appropriate test standard, the agency evaluates the document to (1) verify it represents a product category for which OSHA requires certification by a NRTL, (2) verify the document represents an end product and not a component, and (3) verify the document defines safety test specifications (not installation or operational performance specifications). OSHA becomes aware of new test standards through various avenues. For example, OSHA may become aware of new test standards by: (1) Monitoring notifications issued by certain SDOs; (2) reviewing applications by NRTLs or applicants seeking recognition to include a new test standard in their scopes of recognition; and (3) obtaining notification from manufacturers, manufacturing organizations, government agencies, or other parties that a new test standard may be appropriate to add to the list of appropriate standards. OSHA may determine to include a new test standard in the list, for example, if the test standard is for a particular type of product that another test standard also covers, addresses a type of product that no standard previously covered, or is otherwise new to the NRTL Program.

#### *SDO Deletion and Replacement of Test Standards*

The NRTL Program regulations require that appropriate test standards be maintained and current (29 CFR 1910.7(c)). A test standard withdrawn by a standards development organization is no longer considered an appropriate test standard (CPL 01-00-004, NRTL Program Policies, Procedures and Guidelines Directive, Chapter 2, IX). It is OSHA's policy to remove recognition of withdrawn test standards by issuing a correction notice in the **Federal Register** for all NRTLs