INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
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Government in the Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

TIME AND DATE: May 3, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.
STATUS: Open to the public.
MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:
1. Agendas for future meetings: None.
2. Minutes.
3. Ratification List.
5. Outstanding action jackets: None. In accordance with Commission policy, subject matter listed above, not disposed of at the scheduled meeting, may be carried over to the agenda of the following meeting.
By order of the Commission.
William Bishop,
Supervisory Hearings and Information Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Occupational Safety and Health Administration
[Docket No. OSHA–2007–0083]

Applied Research Laboratories of South Florida, LLC: Grant of Recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In this notice, OSHA announces its final decision to grant recognition to Applied Research Laboratories of South Florida, LLC, as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL).

DATES: Recognition as a NRTL becomes effective on April 25, 2018.

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.francis@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, telephone: (202) 693–2110; email: robinson.kevin@dol.gov. OSHA's web page includes information about the NRTL Program (see http://www.osha.gov/dts/otpca/nrtl/index.html).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
I. Background

Many of OSHA's workplace standards require that a NRTL test and certify certain types of equipment as safe for use in the workplace. NRTLs are independent laboratories that meet OSHA's requirements for performing safety testing and certification of products used in the workplace. To obtain and retain OSHA recognition, the NRTLs must meet the requirements in the NRTL Program regulations at 29 CFR 1910.7. More specifically, to be recognized by OSHA, an organization must: (1) Have the appropriate capability to test, evaluate, and approve products to assure their safe use in the workplace; (2) be completely independent of employers subject to the tested equipment requirements, and manufacturers and vendors of products for which OSHA requires certification; (3) have internal programs that ensure proper control of the testing and certification process; and (4) have effective reporting and complaint handling procedures. Recognition is an acknowledgement by OSHA that the NRTL has the capabilities to perform independent safety testing and certification of the specific products covered within the NRTL's scope of recognition. Recognition of a NRTL by OSHA also allows employers to use products certified by that NRTL to meet those OSHA standards that require product testing and certification.

The Agency processes applications for initial recognition following requirements in Appendix A of 29 CFR 1910.7. This appendix requires OSHA to publish two notices in the Federal Register in processing an application. In the first notice, OSHA announces the application, provides its preliminary finding, and solicits comments on its preliminary findings. In the second notice, the Agency provides its final decision on the application. These notices set forth the NRTL's scope of recognition.

II. Notice of Final Decision

OSHA hereby gives notice of the Agency's decision to grant recognition to Applied Research Laboratories of South Florida, LLC (ARL), as a NRTL. According to its public information (see http://www.arl-test.com), ARL states that it is an internationally accredited testing laboratory. In its application, ARL lists the current address of its headquarters as: Applied Research Laboratories of South Florida, LLC, 5371 SW 161 Street, Miami, Florida 33104.

Each NRTL's scope of recognition has three elements: (1) The type of products the NRTL may test, with each type specified by its applicable test standard; (2) the recognized site(s) that have the technical capability to perform the product-testing and product-certification activities for the applicable test standards within the NRTL's scope of recognition; and (3) the supplemental program(s) that the NRTL may use, each of which allows the NRTL to rely on other parties to perform activities necessary for testing and certification.

ARL applied on March 5, 2014, for initial recognition as a NRTL. In its initial application, ARL requested recognition for two test standards, one site, and two supplemental programs (OSHA–2007–0083–0051). This application was amended on December 1, 2014, to add one additional test standard (OSHA–2007–0083–0051).1

OSHA published the preliminary notice announcing ARL's application for recognition in the Federal Register on February 23, 2018 (83 FR 8113). The Agency requested comments by March 26, 2018, but it received no comments in response to this notice, OSHA now is proceeding with this final notice to grant recognition to ARL as a NRTL.

To obtain or review copies of all public documents pertaining to ARL's application, go to www.regulations.gov or contact the Docket Office, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Room N–2625, Washington, DC 20210. Docket No. OSHA–2007–0083 contains all materials in the record concerning ARL's recognition.

1 ARL requested recognition for UL 1995, UL 1996, and UL 96. OSHA denies ARL's UL 96 application. OSHA is, on the date of publication of the current notice in the Federal Register, also issuing a Federal Register Notice removing UL 96 from OSHA's List of Appropriate Test Standards because UL 96 is not an appropriate test standard. That notice can be accessed via www.regulations.gov under Docket ID OSHA–2013–0012.