DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Announcement of the American Petroleum Institute’s Standards Activities

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The American Petroleum Institute (API), with the assistance of other interested parties, continues to develop standards, both national and international, in several areas. This notice lists the standardization efforts currently being conducted by API committees. The publication of this notice by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) on behalf of API is being undertaken as a public service. NIST does not necessarily endorse, approve, or recommend the standards referenced.

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Committee on Refining

Corrosion & Materials:

RP 651 Cathodic Protection of Aboveground Petroleum Storage Tanks
RP 652 Lining of Aboveground Petroleum Storage Tanks
New RP 938–C Use of Duplex Stainless Steels in the Oil Refining Industry

Inspection:

Std 510 Pressure Vessel Inspection Code
RP 375 Inspection of Atmospheric and Low Pressure Storage Tanks

Pressure Vessel and Tanks:

Std 620 Design & Construction of Large, Welded, Low-Pressure Storage Tanks
Std 650 Welded Tanks for Oil Storage
Std 653 Tank Inspection, Repair, Alteration, and Reconstruction

Electrical Equipment:

New Std 547 General Purpose Form-Wound Squirrel-cage Induction Motors larger than 250 HP
Std 541 Form-Wound Squirrel-cage Induction Motors 500 HP and Larger

Mechanical Equipment:

Std 672 Packaged, Integrally Geared Centrifugal Air Compressors for Petroleum, Chemical, and Gas Industry Services
Std 618 Reciprocating Compressors for Petroleum, Chemical, and Gas Industry Services
Std 619 Rotary Type Positive Displacement Compressors
Std 677 General Purpose Gear Units
Std 684 Tutorial on Rotor Dynamics and Balancing
Std 686 Machinery Installation and Installation Design
Std 610, National Adoption of ISO 13709, Centrifugal Pumps for
Hyatt Regency Atlanta, Atlanta, Georgia, Refining Meeting will be held at the Grand Hyatt, San Diego, California, Meeting will be held at the Manchester Grand Hotel, Los Angeles, California, Meetings/Conferences: The Spring Meeting will take place at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta, Atlanta, Georgia, March 29-April 2, 2004. The Fall Meeting will take place at the Wilshire Grand Hotel, Los Angeles, California, September 20-24, 2004. Interested parties may visit the API Web site at http://www.api.org/events for more information regarding participation in these meetings.

Committee on Petroleum Measurement

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Manual of Petroleum Measurement Standards:

New Chapter 2.2E Tank Calibration—Manual Methods (National Adoption of ISO 12917–2)
New Chapter 2.2F Tank Calibration—Calibration of Horizontal Cylindrical Tanks by the Internal Electro-optical Distance-ranging Method (National Adoption of ISO 12917–2)
Chapter 4.1 Introduction to Proving Systems
New Chapter 4.9.1 Introduction to Determination of the Volume of Displacement and Tank Provers
New Chapter 4.9.2 Determination of the Volume of Displacement and Tank Provers by the Waterdraw Method of Calibration
New Chapter 4.9.3 Determination of the Volume of Displacement and Tank Provers by the Master Meter Method of Calibration
New Chapter 4.9.4 Determination of the Volume of Displacement and Tank Provers by the Gravimetric Method
New 12.1.3 Calculation Procedures for Liquefied Petroleum Gases (New document)
New Chapter 17.9 Vessel Experience Factors
New Chapter 17.10 Measurement of Refrigerated and Pressurized Cargo on Marine Tank Vessels
New MPMS Technical Report: Multiphase Flowmeters
Chapter 6.2 3rd Edition Loading Rack and Tank Truck Metering Systems for Non-LPG Products

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API/ASTM/GPA Standards

MPMS Ch. 10.6/ASTM D1796 Water & Sediment in Fuel Oils by Centrifuge
MPMS Ch. 11.2.4/GPA TP–27/ASTM Temperature Correction for the Volume of NGL and LPG Tables 23E, 24E, 53E, 54E, 59E, 60E
MPMS Ch. 11.2.5/GPA TP–15/ASTM Simplified Vapor Pressure Correlation for Commercial NGLs

RP 2219 Safe Operation of Vacuum Trucks in Petroleum Service (possible reaffirmation)
RP 2220 Improving Owner and Contractor Safety Performance
RP 2221 Managers Guide to Implementing a Contractor Safety and Health Program
RP 2350 Overfill Protection for Petroleum Storage Tanks

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Committee on Exploration and Production

Production Equipment:
Addendum, Spec 6D Specification for Pipeline Valves
Spec 6A718, 1st edition Specification of Nickel Base Alloy 718 (UNS N07718) for Oil and Gas Drilling and Production Equipment
Oil Country Tubular Goods:
Addendum, RP 5B1 Threading, Gauging, and Thread Inspection of Casing, Tubing and Line Pipe Threads
Spec 5L, 43rd edition Specification for Line Pipe
OCTG Tonnage Reports
Line Pipe Tonnage Reports

Offshore Structures, Drill Through Equipment, and Subsea Production Equipment:
Spec 2C, new edition Specification for Offshore Cranes
Bulletin 2V, new edition Bulletin on Design of Flat Plate Structures
RP 2X, new edition Recommended Practice for Ultrasonic and Magnetic Examination of Offshore Structural Fabrication and Guidelines for Qualification of Technicians
RP 17H, 1st edition, National Adoption of ISO 13628–8, Recommended Practice for Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROVs) Interfaces on Subsea Production Systems
RP 17M, 1st edition, National Adoption of ISO 13628–9, Recommended Practice for Remotely Operated Tool (ROT) Intervention Systems
Drilling Operations and Equipment:
RP 4G, new edition, Recommended Practice for Use and Procedures for Inspections, Maintenance, and Repair of Drilling and Well Servicing Structures
RP 10B, new edition, National Adoption of ISO 10426–2, Recommended Practice for Testing Well Cements
RP 10X, new edition, National Adoption of ISO 10426–3, Recommended Practice for Deep Water Cementing
RP 13B–2, new edition, National Adoption of ISO 10414–2, Recommended Practice for Standard Procedures for Field Testing Oil-based Drilling Fluids
Spec 16A, new edition, National Adoption of ISO 13533, Specification for Drill-through Equipment
RP 56/58/60 combine as adopt back of 13503–2 Recommended Practice for Frac Sands, Proppants, and Gravel Packing Materials

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Meetings/Conferences: The 2003 Summer Standardization Conference on Oilfield Equipment & Materials will take place at the Hyatt Regency Dallas, Dallas, Texas, June 14–18, 2004. Interested parties may visit the API Web site at http://www.api.org/events for more information regarding participation in this meeting.

Executive Committee on Drilling and Production Operations
RP59, RP on Well Control
RP75, RP on Safety and Environmental Management Program
New RP76, RP on Contractor Safety for Oil and Gas Drilling and Production Operations

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The groundfish subcommittee of the Pacific Fishery Management Council’s (Council) Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will hold a work session to review analytical portions of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Groundfish Essential Fish Habitat (EFH). The work session is open to the public.

DATES: The SSC groundfish subcommittee will meet from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Monday, February 23, 2004. The meeting will continue on Tuesday, February 24, 2004 from 9 a.m. until business for the day is completed.

ADDRESSES: The groundfish subcommittee work session will be held at NMFS Alaska Fisheries Science Center, Traynor Seminar Room, 7600 Sand Point Way N.E., Building 4, Seattle, WA 98115; telephone: 206–526–4000.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 200, Portland, OR 97220–1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Dan Waldeck, Staff Officer: 503–820–2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NMFS, in cooperation with the Council, is developing an EIS for EFH under the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan. As a precursor to the EFH EIS, a risk assessment is being developed. A significant output of the risk assessment is an analytical tool composed of geo-referenced Bayesian Network models designed to assist the Council in developing (and comparing the consequences of) management alternatives related to the EFH EIS. Through a series of public meetings, the Council’s Ad Hoc Technical Review Committee has facilitated development of the risk assessment process.

Currently, as the Council prepares for actions related to the EFH EIS, the SSC, in their role of ensuring Council decisions are informed by the best available science, will review the risk assessment process and analytical tool. The SSC will report their findings at the April 2004 Council meeting.

Entry to the Alaska Fisheries Science Center requires identification with a photograph (such as a student ID, state drivers license, etc.) A security guard will review the identification and issue a Visitor’s Badge valid for the date of the meeting. Although non-emergency issues not contained in this notice may come before the SSC groundfish subcommittee for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. SSC groundfish subcommittee action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice, and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the subcommittee’s intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations
The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Carolyn Porter at 503–820–2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Tracey Thompson,
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The 85th meeting of the Western Pacific Fishery Council’s Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will convene February 24–26, 2004, in Honolulu, HI.