interested in the work of this advisory committee are advised to go to the Commission’s website, www.usccr.gov, or to contact the Eastern Regional Office at the above phone numbers, email or street address.

**Agenda: Thursday, September 5, 2019, at 12:00 p.m. (EDT)**

I. Welcome and Rollcall
II. Discuss Project and Hearing Planning
III. Other Business
IV. Next Planning Meeting
V. Public Comments
VI. Adjourn

**Exceptional Circumstance:** Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150, the notice for this meeting is given less than 15 calendar days prior to the meeting because of the exceptional circumstances of the federal government shutdown.

Dated: August 30, 2019.

David Mussatt,
Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Institute of Standards and Technology**

**Manufacturing Extension Partnership Advisory Board**

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) announces that the Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) Advisory Board will hold an open meeting on Sunday, September 15, 2019.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis, 265 Peachtree Center Avenue NE, Atlanta, GA 30303. Please note admittance instructions in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cheryl L. Gendron, Manufacturing Extension Partnership, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 4800, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899–4800; telephone number (301) 975–2785; email: cheryl.gendron@nist.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The MEP Advisory Board is authorized under Section 3003(d) of the America COMPETES Act (Pub. L. 110–69), as amended by the American Innovation and Competitiveness Act, Public Law 114–329, sec. 501 (2017), and codified at 15 U.S.C. 278k(m), in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App. The Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership Program (Program) is a unique program, consisting of Centers in all 50 states and Puerto Rico with partnerships at the state, federal, and local levels. By statute, the MEP Advisory Board provides the NIST Director with: (1) Advice on the activities, plans, and policies of the Program; and (2) assessments of the soundness of the plans and strategies of the Program; and (3) assessments of current performance against the plans of the Program.
Background information on the MEP Advisory Board is available at http://www.nist.gov/mep/about/advisory-board.cfm.

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App., notice is hereby given that the MEP Advisory Board will hold an open meeting on Sunday, September 15, 2019, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Eastern Time. The meeting agenda will include an update on the MEP programmatic operations, as well as provide guidance and advice on current activities related to the MEP National Network™ 2017–2022 Strategic Plan. The MEP Advisory Board will provide input to NIST on supply chain development with an emphasis on defense suppliers, in order to strengthen the defense industrial base. The final agenda will be posted on the MEP Advisory Board website at http://www.nist.gov/mep/about/advisory-board.cfm.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to the MEP Advisory Board’s business are invited to request a place on the agenda. Approximately 15 minutes will be reserved for public comments at the end of the meeting. Speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received but is likely to be no more than three to five minutes each. Requests must be received in writing by September 6, 2019 to be considered. The exact time for public comments will be included in the final agenda that will be posted on the MEP Advisory Board website at http://www.nist.gov/mep/about/advisory-board.cfm. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, those who wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, or those who are/ were unable to attend in person are invited to submit written statements to the MEP Advisory Board, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 4800, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899–4800, via fax at (301) 963–6556, or electronically by email to cheryl.gendron@nist.gov.

Admittance Instructions: Anyone wishing to attend the MEP Advisory Board meeting must submit their name, email address and phone number to Cheryl Gendron (Cheryl.Gendron@nist.gov) or (301) 975–2785 no later than Friday, September 6, 2019, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

Kevin Kimball,  
Chief of Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Proposed Voluntary Product Standard 1–09, Structural Plywood

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is soliciting public comment on a proposed revision to Voluntary Product Standard (PS) 1–09, Structural Plywood. The standard, prepared by the Committee for PS 1, establishes requirements (for those who choose to adhere to the standard) for the principal types and grades of structural plywood and provides a basis for common understanding among producers, distributors, and users of the product. This standard covers the wood species, veneer grading, adhesive bonds, panel construction and workmanship, dimensions and tolerances, marking, moisture content and packaging of structural plywood intended for construction and industrial uses. After conducting a review of the current standard, PS 1–09, the Committee for PS 1 determined that updates were needed to reflect current industry practices and developed the proposed revision to the standard. The proposed revision includes the following changes: editorial corrections, new and revised definitions, and updated references. A complete list of proposed changes can be found at https://www.nist.gov/standardsgov/voluntary-product-standards-program.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed revision of the standard has been developed and is being processed in accordance with Department of Commerce provisions in 15 CFR part 10, Procedures for the Development of Voluntary Product Standards, as amended (published June 20, 1986). The Committee for PS 1 is responsible for maintaining, revising, and interpreting the standard, and is comprised of producers, distributors, users, and others with an interest in the standard. Committee members voted on the revision and approved. The Committee then submitted a report to NIST along with the voting results and the draft revised standard. NIST has determined that the revised standard should be issued for public comment. Voluntary Product Standard PS 1–09 establishes requirements for the principal types and grades of structural plywood and provides a basis for common understanding among producers, distributors, and users of the product. The standard covers the wood species, veneer grading, adhesive bonds, panel construction and workmanship, dimensions and tolerances, marking, moisture content, and packaging of structural plywood intended for construction and industrial uses. After conducting a review of the current standard, PS 1–09, the Committee for PS 1 determined that updates were needed to reflect current industry practices and developed the proposed revision to the standard. The proposed revision includes the following changes: editorial corrections, new and revised definitions, and updated references. A complete list of proposed changes can be found at https://www.nist.gov/standardsgov/voluntary-product-standards-program.

Written comments should be submitted in accordance with the DATES and ADDRESSES sections of this notice. Attachments will be accepted in plain text, Microsoft Word, or Adobe PDF formats. Comments containing references, studies, research, and other empirical data that are not widely published should include copies or electronic links of the referenced materials. All submissions, including attachments and other supporting materials, will become part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. NIST reserves the right to publish comments publicly, unedited and in their entirety. Sensitive personal information, such as account numbers or Social Security numbers, or names of other individuals, should not be included. Submissions will not be edited to remove any identifying or contact information. Do not submit