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The docket web page can be found at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket?D=EERE-2014-BT-TP-0034>. The docket web page contains instructions on how to access all documents, including public comments, in the docket.

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For further information on how to submit a comment, review other public comments and the docket, or regarding a public meeting, contact the Appliance and Equipment Standards Program staff at (202) 287-1445 or by email: [ApplianceStandardsQuestions@ee.doe.gov](mailto:ApplianceStandardsQuestions@ee.doe.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On July 23, 2019, the U.S. Department of Energy (“DOE”) published in the **Federal Register** a notice of proposed rulemaking and request for comment regarding proposals to amend the test procedures for clothes dryers. 84 FR 35484. This notice also announced a webinar to be held on August 14, 2019, and stated that DOE would hold a public meeting to discuss the proposals if one was requested by August 6, 2019.

On July 29, 2019, DOE received a comment from the Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance (NEEA), the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), and Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) requesting that DOE hold an in-person public meeting regarding the proposed amendments to the clothes

dryers test procedures.<sup>1</sup> On August 2, 2019, DOE issued a pre-publication **Federal Register** notice announcing a public meeting and webinar to be held on August 28, 2019 and cancelled the previously announced webinar scheduled for August 14, 2019. 84 FR 39777.

On August 2, 2019 and August 5, 2019, DOE received subsequent comments from Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM) requesting to move the webinar and public meeting into September 2019.<sup>2</sup> On August 21, 2019, DOE published a notice in the **Federal Register** changing the public meeting from August 28, 2019 to September 17, 2019 and extending the public comment period for submitting comments and data on the NPR by 14 days to October 7, 2019. 84 FR 43529.

On September 20, 2019, DOE received a comment from NEEA, NRDC, and PG&E requesting an additional 60 day comment period extension.<sup>3</sup> DOE has reviewed the request and considered the benefit to stakeholders in providing additional time to review the NPR and gather information/data that DOE is seeking. Accordingly, DOE has determined that an extension of the comment period is appropriate, and is hereby extending the comment period by 30 days to November 6, 2019. DOE will be extending the original July 23, 2019 NPR comment period by an additional 44 days for a total of 104 days for this comment period.

Signed in Washington, DC, on September 27, 2019.

**Alexander N. Fitzsimmons,**

*Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.*

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<sup>1</sup> See document number 17 within docket EERE-2014-BT-TP-0034, available on <http://www.regulations.gov>.

<sup>2</sup> See document numbers 18 and 19 within docket EERE-2014-BT-TP-0034, available on <http://www.regulations.gov>.

<sup>3</sup> See document number 22 within docket EERE-2014-BT-TP-0034, available on <http://www.regulations.gov>.

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### 10 CFR Part 430

[EERE-2017-BT-STD-0014]

RIN 1904-AD98

### Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Residential Clothes Washers

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Reopening of public comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (“DOE”) is reopening the public comment period for its request for information (“RFI”) to solicit information from the public to help DOE determine whether to amend standards for residential clothes washers (“RCWs”). DOE published the RFI in the **Federal Register** on August 2, 2019 establishing a 30-day public comment period ending September 3, 2019. On August 2, 2019, DOE received a comment requesting a 30 day comment period extension. On August 26, 2019, DOE published a notice in the **Federal Register** extending the public comment on the RFI to receive comments no later than October 3, 2019. On September 20, 2019, DOE received a comment requesting an additional 14 day comment period extension; therefore, DOE is reopening the public comment period for submitting comments and data on the RFI by 14 days to October 17, 2019.

**DATES:** The comment period for the RFI published on August 2, 2019 (84 FR 37794), is reopening. DOE will accept comments, data, and information regarding this rulemaking received no later than October 17, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are encouraged to submit comments, identified by docket number EERE-2017-BT-STD-0014, by any of the following methods:

*Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

*Email:* [ConsumerClothesWasher2017STD0014@ee.doe.gov](mailto:ConsumerClothesWasher2017STD0014@ee.doe.gov). Include the docket number and/or RIN in the subject line of the message. Submit electronic comments in WordPerfect, Microsoft Word, PDF, or ASCII file format, and avoid the use of special characters or any form of encryption.

*Postal Mail:* Appliance and Equipment Standards Program, U.S. Department of Energy, Building Technologies Office, Mailstop EE-5B, 1000 Independence Avenue SW,

Washington, DC 20585–0121. If possible, please submit all items on a compact disc (“CD”), in which case it is not necessary to include printed copies.

**Hand Delivery/Courier:** Appliance and Equipment Standards Program, U.S. Department of Energy, Building Technologies Office, 950 L’Enfant Plaza SW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20024. Telephone: (202) 287–1445. If possible, please submit all items on a CD, in which case it is not necessary to include printed copies.

No telefacsimilies (faxes) will be accepted.

**Docket:** For access to the docket to read background documents, or comments received, go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docket> *Detail;D=EERE-2017-BT-STD-0014*.

The docket, which includes **Federal Register** notices, public meeting attendee lists and transcripts, comments, and other supporting documents/materials, is available for review at <http://www.regulations.gov>. All documents in the docket are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> index. However, some documents listed in the index may not be publicly available, such as those containing information that is exempt from public disclosure.

The docket web page can be found at: <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docket> *Detail;D=EERE-2017-BT-STD-0014*. The docket web page contains instructions on how to access all documents, including public comments, in the docket.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Bryan Berringer, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Building Technologies Office, EE–5B, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585–0121. Telephone: (202) 586–0371. Email: [ApplianceStandardsQuestions@ee.doe.gov](mailto:ApplianceStandardsQuestions@ee.doe.gov).

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On August 2, 2019, DOE published a notice in the **Federal Register** soliciting public comment on its RFI to help DOE

determine whether to amend standards for RCWs. 84 FR 37794. Comments were originally due on September 3, 2019. On August 2, 2019, DOE received a comment from Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM) requesting a 30 day comment period extension.<sup>1</sup> On August 26, 2019, DOE published a notice in the **Federal Register** extending the public comment on the RFI to receive comments no later than October 3, 2019. 84 FR 44557. On September 20, 2019, DOE received a comment from AHAM requesting an additional 14 day comment period extension.<sup>2</sup> DOE has reviewed the request and considered the benefit to stakeholders in providing additional time to review the RFI and gather information/data that DOE is seeking.

Accordingly, DOE has determined that an extension of the comment period is appropriate, and is hereby extending the comment period by 14 days, until October 17, 2019.

Signed in Washington, DC, on September 27, 2019.

**Alexander N. Fitzsimmons,**

*Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### 10 CFR Part 810

#### RIN 1994–AA05

#### Assistance to Foreign Atomic Energy Activities

**AGENCY:** National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA), Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** DOE proposes procedures for the imposition of civil penalties for violations of the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (AEA) that restrict participation by U.S. persons in the development or production of special nuclear material outside of the United States. This proposed rule provides procedures to implement a statutory amendment contained within the *John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019*.

**DATES:** Comments on this proposed rulemaking must be received on or before November 4, 2019.

<sup>1</sup> DOE has posted this comment to the docket at <https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=EERE-2017-BT-STD-0014-0003>.

<sup>2</sup> DOE has posted this comment to the docket at <https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=EERE-2017-BT-STD-0014-0007>.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by RIN 1994–AA05, by any of the following methods:

1. **Federal Rulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

2. **Email:** [Part810@nnsa.doe.gov](mailto:Part810@nnsa.doe.gov). Include RIN 1994–AA05 in the subject line of the message.

3. **Mail:** Katie Strangis, Office of Nonproliferation and Arms Control, NA–24, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585.

Due to potential delays in DOE’s receipt and processing of mail sent through the U.S. Postal Service, DOE encourages responders to submit comments electronically to ensure timely receipt.

All submissions must include the RIN for this rulemaking, RIN 1994–AA05. For detailed instructions on submitting comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, see the “Public Comment Procedures” heading of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Katie Strangis, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of Nonproliferation and Arms Control (NPAC), National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, telephone (202) 586–8623 or email: [Katie.Strangis@nnsa.doe.gov](mailto:Katie.Strangis@nnsa.doe.gov); Mr. Thomas Reilly, Office of the General Counsel, GC–53, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, telephone (202) 586–3417; or Mr. Zachary Stern, Office of the General Counsel, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, telephone (202) 586–8627.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

- I. Introduction
- II. Discussion of the Proposed Rule
- III. Public Comment Procedures
- IV. Regulatory Review
- V. Approval of the Office of the Secretary

#### **I. Introduction**

DOE’s 10 CFR part 810 regulation (Part 810) implements section 57 b.(2) of the AEA (42 U.S.C. 2077), as amended. Part 810 controls the export of unclassified nuclear technology and assistance. It enables peaceful nuclear trade by helping to ensure that nuclear technologies exported from the United States will not be used for non-peaceful purposes. Part 810 controls the export of nuclear technology and assistance by identifying some activities as “generally authorized” by the Secretary of Energy