

NRTL to demonstrate how it eliminates or minimizes such risks. OSHA staff performed a detailed analysis of EMT's application packet and reviewed other pertinent information to assess its independence. OSHA preliminarily determined that EMT has demonstrated independence through the following:

- EMT is a privately-owned organization, and OSHA found no information regarding ownership that would qualify as a conflict under OSHA's independence policy.
- EMT showed that it has none of the relationships described in OSHA's independence policy or any other relationship that could subject it to undue influence when testing for product safety.
- EMT has policies and procedures in place to identify risks to impartiality and when risks to impartiality are found, EMT has policies and procedures to eliminate or minimize such risks.

#### *D. Credible Reports and Complaint Handling*

Section 1910.7(b)(4) specifies that a NRTL must maintain effective procedures for producing credible findings and reports that are objective and free of bias. The NRTL must also have procedures for handling complaints and disputes under a fair and reasonable system. OSHA staff performed a detailed analysis of EMT's application packet and reviewed other pertinent information to assess its ability to produce credible results and handle complaints. OSHA preliminarily determined that EMT has demonstrated these capabilities through the following:

- EMT has detailed procedures describing the content of test reports, and other detailed procedures describing the preparation and approval of these reports.
- EMT has procedures for recording, analyzing, and processing complaints from users, manufacturers, and other parties in a fair manner.

OSHA's on-site assessments of EMT's facilities confirmed the capabilities described in its application packet. The assessors found some nonconformances with the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.7. EMT addressed these issues sufficiently to meet the applicable NRTL requirements.

OSHA's review of the application file and pertinent documentation, as well as the results of the on-site assessments, indicate that EMT can meet the requirements prescribed by 29 CFR 1910.7 for recognition as a NRTL for its site located in Irvine, California.

OSHA's preliminary finding does not constitute an interim or temporary approval of EMT's application.

#### **IV. Public Participation**

OSHA welcomes public comment as to whether EMT meets the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.7 for recognition as a NRTL. Comments should consist of pertinent written documents and exhibits.

Commenters needing more time to comment must submit a request in writing, stating the reasons for the request, for an extension by the due date for comments. OSHA will limit any extension to 10 days unless the requester justifies a longer time period. OSHA may deny a request for an extension if it is not adequately justified.

To review copies of the exhibits identified in this notice, as well as comments submitted to the docket, contact the Docket Office, U.S. Department of Labor. These materials also are generally available online at <http://www.regulations.gov> under Docket No. OSHA-2023-0013 (for further information, see the "Docket" heading in the section of this notice titled **ADDRESSES**).

OSHA staff will review all comments submitted to the docket in a timely manner and, after addressing the issues raised by these comments, will make a recommendation to the Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health regarding EMT's application for recognition as a NRTL. The Assistant Secretary will make the final decision on granting the application. In making this decision, the Assistant Secretary may undertake other proceedings prescribed in Appendix A to 29 CFR 1910.7.

OSHA will publish a public notice of this final decision in the **Federal Register**.

#### **V. Authority and Signature**

James S. Frederick, 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. 8-2020 (85 FR 58393, September 18, 2020) and 29 CFR 1910.7.

Signed at Washington, DC, on July 19, 2023.

**James S. Frederick,**

*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-2007-0039]

#### **Intertek Testing Services NA, 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 Intertek Testing Service NA, Inc., as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL). Additionally, OSHA announces the final decision to add one test standard to the NRTL Program's List of Appropriate Test Standards.

**DATES:** The expansion of the scope of recognition becomes effective on July 25, 2023.

**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 or 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) 693-2300 or email [robinson.kevin@dol.gov](mailto:robinson.kevin@dol.gov).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. Notice of Final Decision**

OSHA hereby gives notice of the expansion of the scope of recognition of Intertek Testing Services NA, Inc. (ITSNA) as a NRTL. ITSNA's expansion covers the addition of eighteen test standards to the NRTL scope of recognition.

OSHA recognition of a NRTL signifies that the organization meets the requirements specified in 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. Each NRTL's scope of recognition includes (1) the type of products the NRTL may test, with each type specified by the applicable test standard; and (2) the recognized site(s) that has/have the technical capability to perform the

product-testing and product-certification activities for test standards within the NRTL’s scope. Recognition is not a delegation or grant of government authority; however, recognition enables employers to use products approved by the NRTL to meet OSHA standards that require product testing and certification.

The agency processes an application by a NRTL for initial recognition and for an expansion or renewal of this recognition, following requirements in Appendix A, 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 the preliminary finding. 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, including ITSNA, which details the NRTL’s scope of recognition. These pages are available from the OSHA website at <http://www.osha.gov/dts/otpca/nrtl/index.html>.

ITSNA submitted two applications, one dated October 31, 2018 (OSHA–2007–0039–0040), requesting the

addition of twenty-three test standards to the NRTL scope of recognition and a second application, dated April 24, 2020 (OSHA–2007–0039–0041), requesting the addition of seven test standards to the NRTL scope of recognition. The first application was amended on April 5, 2023, to remove five standards from the original request (OSHA–2007–0039–0042). The second application was amended on December 9, 2022, to remove four standards from the original request (OSHA–2007–0039–0043). The first application was revised again on May 10, 2023, to remove three standards from the original application (OSHA–2007–0039–0045). This notice covers the remaining eighteen test standards across both applications. OSHA did not perform any on-site reviews in relation to these applications.

OSHA published the preliminary notice announcing ITSNA’s expansion application in the **Federal Register** on May 24, 2023 (88 FR 33651). The agency requested comments by June 8, 2023, but it received no comments in response to this notice. OSHA is now proceeding with this final grant of expansion of ITSNA’s NRTL recognition.

To obtain or review copies of all public documents pertaining to the ITSNA applications, go to [http://](http://www.regulations.gov)

[www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or contact the Docket Office, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor. Docket No. OSHA–2007–0039 contains all materials in the record concerning ITSNA’s recognition. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection through the OSHA Docket Office. Contact the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693–2350 for assistance in locating docket submissions.

**II. Final Decision and Order**

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

TABLE 1—APPROPRIATE TEST STANDARDS FOR INCLUSION IN ITSNA’S NRTL SCOPE OF RECOGNITION

Test standard	Test standard title
UL 283 .....	Air Fresheners and Deodorizers.
UL 1340 .....	Hoists.
UL 1598C .....	Standard for Light Emitting Diode (LED) Retrofit Luminaire Conversion Kits.
UL 2208 .....	Solvent Distillation Units.
UL 3730 * .....	Standard for Photovoltaic Junction Boxes.
UL 4703 .....	Standard for Photovoltaic Wire.
UL 60335–2–40 .....	Household and Similar Electrical Appliances, Part 2: Particular Requirements for Electrical Heat Pumps, Air-Conditioners and Dehumidifiers.
UL 60079–25 .....	Explosive Atmospheres—Part 25: Intrinsically Safe Electrical Systems.
UL 60079–28 .....	Standard for Explosive Atmospheres—Part 28: Protection of Equipment and Transmission Systems Using Optical Radiation.
UL 60079–31 .....	Standard for Explosive Atmospheres—Part 31: Equipment Dust Ignition Protection Enclosure “t”.
UL 60730–1 .....	Automatic Electrical Controls—Part 1: General Requirements.
UL 60730–2–5 .....	Automatic Electrical Controls for Household and Similar Use—Part 2–5: Particular Requirements for Laboratory Equipment for the Automatic Electrical Burner Control Systems.
UL 61010–2–081 .....	Safety Requirements for Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use—Part 2–081: Particular Requirements for Automatic and Semi-Automatic Laboratory Equipment for Analysis and Other Purposes.
UL 61010–2–091 .....	Standard for Safety Requirements for Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use—Part 2–091: Particular Requirements for Cabinet X-Ray Systems.
UL 61010–2–101 .....	Safety Requirements for Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use—Part 2–101: Particular Requirements for In Vitro Diagnostic (IVD) Medical Equipment.
UL 2054 .....	Standard for Household and Commercial Batteries.
UL 60730–2–8 .....	Automatic Electrical Controls for Household and Similar Use; Part 2: Particular Requirements for Electrically Operated Water Valves, Including Mechanical Requirements.
UL 62841–1 .....	Electric Motor-Operated Hand-Held Tools, Transportable Tools and Lawn and Garden Machinery—Safety—Part 1: General Requirements.

\* Represents the standard that OSHA will add to the NRTL Program’s List of Appropriate Test Standards.

In this notice, OSHA also announces the final decision to add one new test standard to the NRTL Program’s List of

Appropriate Test Standards. Table 2, below, lists the standard that is new to the NRTL Program. OSHA has

determined that this test standard is an appropriate test standard and will add

it to the NRTL Program’s List of Appropriate Test Standards.

TABLE 2—TEST STANDARD OSHA WILL ADD TO THE NRTL PROGRAM’S LIST OF APPROPRIATE TEST STANDARDS

Test standard	Test standard title
UL 3730 .....	Standard for Photovoltaic Junction Boxes.

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.

The American National Standards Institute (ANSI) may approve the test standards listed above as American National Standards. However, for convenience, we may use the designation of the standards-developing organization for the standard as opposed to the ANSI designation. Under the NRTL Program’s policy (see OSHA Instruction CPL 01–00–004, Chapter 2, Section VIII), any NRTL recognized for a particular test standard may use either the proprietary version of the test standard or the ANSI version of that standard. Contact ANSI to determine whether a test standard is currently ANSI-approved.

**A. Conditions**

Recognition is contingent on continued compliance with 29 CFR 1910.7, including, but not limited to, abiding by the following conditions of the recognition:

1. ITSNA must inform OSHA as soon as possible, in writing, of any change of ownership, facilities, or key personnel, and of any major change in its operations as a NRTL, and provide details of the change(s);
2. ITSNA must meet all the terms of its recognition and comply with all OSHA policies pertaining to this recognition; and
3. ITSNA must continue to meet the requirements for recognition, including all previously published conditions on ITSNA’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 ITSNA as a NRTL, subject to the limitations and conditions specified above. OSHA additionally adds one test standard to the NRTL Program’s List of Appropriate Test Standards.

**III. Authority and Signature**

James S. Frederick, 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. 8–2020 (85 FR 58393, Sept. 18, 2020), and 29 CFR 1910.7.

Signed at Washington, DC, on July 18, 2023.

**James S. Frederick,**  
*Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Veterans’ Employment and Training Service**

**Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request**

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. The Veterans’ Employment and Training Service (VETS) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed revision of the Competitive Grant Program Reporting information collection. A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the individual listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the

Addresses section of this notice on or before September 25, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments to Kate McCord, Management and Program Analyst, DOL–VETS via email at *hvrp@dol.gov*, subject line “2023 HVRP 1293–0014 ICR Comment.” Written comments also may be transmitted by email to *DOL\_PRA\_PUBLIC@dol.gov*, identified by OMB Control Number 1293–0014.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kate McCord, Management and Program Analyst, DOL–VETS, at (503) 806–4241 (this is not a toll-free number) or by email at *hvrp@dol.gov*, subject line “2023 HVRP 1293–0014 ICR Information.”

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

The Department of Labor’s VETS administers funds for the Homeless Veterans’ Reintegration Program (HVRP) grant on an annual basis. These competitive grants are codified under 38 U.S.C. 2021, 2021A, and 2023. VETS provides funds to grantees through annual Funding Opportunity Announcements and incremental funding throughout the grant’s three-year (12 quarters) period of performance. The total number of grantees varies from year to year based on the amount of available funds, awarded in grants up to \$500,000 each year or up to \$1.5 million in total.

The Assistant Secretary for Veterans’ Employment and Training monitors and supervises the distribution and use of those funds as required by 38 U.S.C. 2021(b) and 38 U.S.C. 2021A. Additionally, and in accordance with 38 U.S.C. 2021(e), the Secretary reviews performance and provides an annual report to Congress on the program, including an evaluation of the services furnished to veterans and an analysis of the information we have collected.

The forms and reports collect required programmatic and financial data from applicants and grantees. The continued use of standardized formats for collecting this information helps to ensure that requested data is provided in a uniform way, reporting burdens are minimized, the impact of collection requirements on respondents are properly assessed, collection