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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Occupational Safety and Health Administration**

**[Docket No. OSHA-2007-0042]**

**TUV Rheinland of North America, Inc.: Applications for Expansion of Recognition**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, OSHA announces the applications of TUV Rheinland of North America, Inc., for expansion of the scope of recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) and presents the agency's preliminary finding to grant the applications.

**DATES:** Submit comments, information, and documents in response to this notice, or requests for an extension of time to make a submission, on or before [INSERT DATE 15 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**ADDRESSES:**

*Electronically:* You may submit comments and attachments electronically at: <http://www.regulations.gov>, which is the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Follow the instructions online for submitting comments.

*Mail, hand delivery, express mail, messenger, or courier service:* When using this method, you must submit a copy of your comments and attachments to the OSHA Docket Office, Docket No. OSHA-2007-0042, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3653, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693-2350. OSHA's TTY number is (877) 889-5627. **Please note:** While OSHA's docket office is continuing to accept and process submissions by regular mail, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Docket Office is closed to the public

and not able to receive submissions to the rulemaking record by express delivery, hand delivery and messenger service.

*Instructions:* All submissions must include the agency name and OSHA docket number (OSHA-2007-0042). All comments, including any personal information you provide, such as social security numbers and date of birth, are placed in the public docket without change, and may be made available online at <https://www.regulations.gov>.

*Docket:* To read or download comments or other material in the docket, go to <https://www.regulations.gov> or the OSHA Docket Office at the above address. All documents in the docket (including this *Federal Register* notice) are listed in the <https://www.regulations.gov> index; however, some information (e.g., copyrighted material) is not publicly available to read or download through the website. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection through the OSHA Docket Office. You may also contact Kevin Robinson, Director Office of Technical Programs and Coordination Activities (OTPCA) at the below address.

**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.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, phone: (202) 693-2110 or email: [robinson.kevin@dol.gov](mailto:robinson.kevin@dol.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Notice of the Applications for Expansion**

OSHA is providing notice that TUV Rheinland of North America, Inc. (TUVRNA), is applying for expansion of the current recognition as a NRTL. TUVRNA requests the addition of fourteen 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 applications by a NRTL for initial recognition and for an expansion or renewal of this recognition, following requirements in Appendix A to 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 webpage for each NRTL, including TUVRNA, which details the NRTL's scope of recognition. These pages are available from the OSHA website at <https://www.osha.gov/dts/otpca/nrtl/index.html>.

TUVRNA currently has eight facilities (sites) recognized by OSHA for product testing and certification, with headquarters located at: TUV Rheinland of North America,

Inc., 12 Commerce Road, Newtown, Connecticut 06470. A complete list of TUVRNA sites recognized by OSHA is available at <https://www.osha.gov/dts/otpca/nrtl/tuv.html>.

## II. General Background on the Applications

TUVRNA submitted two applications, one dated April 28, 2017 (OSHA-2007-0042-0042) and another dated August 21, 2017 (OSHA-2007-0042-0043), to expand recognition to include the addition of fourteen test standards. OSHA staff performed a detailed analysis of the application packets and reviewed other pertinent information. OSHA did not perform any on-site reviews in relation to these applications.

Table 1 lists the appropriate test standards found in TUVRNA’s applications for expansion for testing and certification of products under the NRTL Program.

**Table 1**

**Proposed List of Appropriate Test Standards for Inclusion in TUVRNA’s  
NRTL Scope of Recognition**

| <b>Test Standard</b> | <b>Test Standard Title</b>  |
|----------------------|---|
| UL 9540              | Standard for Energy Storage Systems and Equipment   |
| UL 283               | Air Fresheners and Deodorizers  |
| UL 962               | Household and Commercial Furnishings  |
| UL 2089              | Vehicle Battery Adapters  |
| UL 2738              | Standard for Induction Power and Transmitters and Receivers for Use with Low Energy Products  |
| UL 8750              | Standard for Light Emitting Diode (LED) Equipment for Use in Lighting Products  |
| UL 8752              | Organic Light Emitting Diode (LED) Panels   |
| UL 60950-21          | Information Technology Equipment – Safety – Part 21: Remote Power Feeding   |
| UL 60950-22          | Information Technology Equipment – Safety – Part 22: Equipment to be Installed Outdoors   |
| UL 60950-23          | Information Technology Equipment – Safety – Part 23: Large Data Storage Equipment   |
| UL 61010-2-030       | Safety Requirements for Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use – Part 2-030: Particular Requirements for Testing and Measuring Circuits   |
| UL 61010-031         | Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use – Part 031: Safety Requirements for Hand-Held Probe Assemblies for Electrical Measurement and Test |

| Test Standard  | Test Standard Title  |
|----------------|--|
| UL 61010-2-81  | 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 | Safety Requirements for Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control and Laboratory Use – Part 2-091: Particular Requirements for Cabinet X-Ray Systems   |

### III. Preliminary Finding on the Applications

TUVRNA submitted two acceptable applications for expansion of the scope of recognition. OSHA’s review of the application files indicates that TUVRNA can meet the requirements prescribed by 29 CFR 1910.7 for expanding recognition to include the addition of these fourteen test standards for NRTL testing and certification. This preliminary finding does not constitute an interim or temporary approval of TUVRNA’s applications.

OSHA welcomes public comment as to whether TUVRNA meets the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.7 for expansion of 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 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 obtain or review copies of the exhibits identified in this notice, as well as comments submitted to the docket, contact the Docket Office, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, listed in “**ADDRESSES.**” These materials also are available online at <https://www.regulations.gov> under Docket No. OSHA-2007-0042.

OSHA staff will review all comments to the docket submitted in a timely manner. After addressing the issues raised by these comments, staff will make a recommendation to the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health on whether to

grant TUVRNA's applications for expansion of the scope of recognition. The Assistant Secretary will make the final decision on granting the applications. 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*.

**Authority and Signature**

Amanda L. Edens, 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 January 28, 2021.

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