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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. OSHA-2013-0030]

IAPMO Ventures, LLC dba IAPMO EGS: Application for Expansion of Recognition

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In this notice, OSHA announces the application of IAPMO Ventures, LLC dba IAPMO EGS for expansion of recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) and presents the agency's preliminary finding to grant the application.

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: Comments may be submitted as follows:

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

OSHA will place comments and requests for a hearing, including personal information, in the public docket, which will be available online. Therefore, OSHA cautions interested parties about submitting personal information such as Social Security numbers and birthdates.

Docket: To read or download comments or other material in the docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Documents in the docket are listed in the

<http://www.regulations.gov> index; however, some information (e.g., copyrighted material) is not publicly available to read or download through this website. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection through the OSHA Docket Office. Contact the OSHA Docket Office for assistance in locating docket submissions.

Instructions: All submissions must include the agency name and the OSHA docket number (OSHA-2013-0030). OSHA places comments and other materials, including any personal information, in the public docket without revision, and these materials will be available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Therefore, the agency cautions commenters about submitting statements they do not want made available to the public, or submitting comments that contain personal information (either about themselves or others) such as Social Security numbers, birth dates, and medical data.

Extension of comment period: Submit requests for an extension of the comment period on or before **[INSERT DATE 15 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]** to the Office of Technical Programs and Coordination Activities, Directorate of Technical Support and Emergency Management, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N-3653, Washington, DC 20210, or by fax to (202) 693-1644.

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, phone: (202) 693-1999 or email: meilinger.francis2@dol.gov.

General and technical information: Contact Mr. Kevin Robinson, Director, OSHA Office of Technical Programs and Coordination Activities, Directorate of Technical

Support and Emergency Management, U.S. Department of Labor, phone: (202) 693-2110 or email: robinson.kevin@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Notice of the Application for Expansion

OSHA is providing notice that IAPMO Ventures, LLC dba IAPMO EGS (IAPMO) is applying for an expansion of current recognition as a NRTL. IAPMO requests the addition of six 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 a 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 IAPMO, 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>.

IAPMO currently has one facility (site) recognized by OSHA for product testing and certification, with the headquarters located at: IAPMO Ventures, LLC dba IAPMO EGS, 5001 East Philadelphia Street, Ontario, California 91761. A complete list of IAPMO's scope of recognition is available at <https://www.osha.gov/dts/otpca/nrtl/iapmo.html>.

II. General Background on the Application

IAPMO submitted two applications to OSHA to expand their NRTL recognition. The first application to add one standard to the NRTL scope of recognition was received on September 29, 2019 (OSHA-2010-0030-0014), and this application was amended on November 25, 2020 (OSHA-2010-0030-0015), to add five additional standards. The applications would add six additional test standards to the NRTL scope of recognition. 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 IAPMO's application for expansion for testing and certification of products under the NRTL Program.

Table 1

**Proposed List of Appropriate Test Standards for Inclusion in
IAPMO's NRTL Scope of Recognition**

Test Standard	Test Standard Title
UL 197	Standard for Commercial Electric Cooking Appliances
UL 962	Standard for Household and Commercial Furnishings
UL 676	Standard for Underwater Luminaires and Submersible Junction Boxes
UL 73	Standard for Safety Motor-Operated Appliances
UL 763	Standard for Commercial Safety for Motor-Operated Commercial Food Preparing Machines
UL 399	Drinking Water Coolers

III. Preliminary Findings on the Application

IAPMO submitted acceptable applications for expansion of the scope of recognition. OSHA's review of the application files, and pertinent documentation, indicate that IAPMO can meet the requirements prescribed by 29 CFR 1910.7 for expanding the recognition to include the addition of the six test standards for NRTL testing and certification listed above. This preliminary finding does not constitute an interim or temporary approval of IAPMO's applications.

OSHA welcomes public comment as to whether IAPMO meets the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.7 for expansion of the 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. Commenters must submit the written request for an extension by the due date for comments. OSHA will limit any extension to 10 days unless the requester justifies a longer period. OSHA may deny a request for an extension if the request 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. These materials also are available online at <http://www.regulations.gov> under Docket No. OSHA-2010-0030.

OSHA staff will review all comments to the docket submitted 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 whether to grant IAPMO's application for expansion of the scope of recognition. 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 the final decision in the *Federal Register*.

IV. Authority and Signature

Amanda L. Edens, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210, authorized the preparation of this notice. Accordingly, the agency is issuing this notice pursuant to Section 29 U.S.C. 655(6)(d), Secretary of Labor's Order No. 8-2020 (85 FR 58393; Sept. 18, 2020), and 29 CFR 1905.11.

Signed at Washington, DC, on February 11, 2021.

Amanda L. Edens,

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.

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