

Docket Number: 96-149R. **Applicant:** University of Vermont, Department of Physical Therapy, 305 Rowell Building, Burlington, VT 05405-0068. **Instrument:** Motion Analysis System and Telemg System, Model Elite Plus. **Manufacturer:** Bioengineering Technology & Systems, Italy. **Intended Use:** Original notice of this resubmitted application was published in the **Federal Register** of February 11, 1997.

Docket Number: 97-046. **Applicant:** Purdue University, Accounts Payable, 1064 Frehafer Hall, West Lafayette, IN 47907-1064. **Instrument:** Stopped-Flow Spectrophotometer/Fluorimeter System, Model SF-61DX2/X. **Manufacturer:** Hi-Tech Scientific, United Kingdom. **Intended Use:** The instrument will be used for studies of a variety of enzymes important to cellular physiology in a variety of life forms. A number of experiments will be conducted involving the spectroscopic detection of molecular interactions between substrates of inhibitors of the particular enzymes of interest. **Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs:** June 4, 1997.

Docket Number: 97-047. **Applicant:** Emory University, Department of Biology, 2006 Rollins Research Center, 1510 Clifton Road, Atlanta, GA 30322. **Instrument:** Slice Physiology Setup, Model 240. **Manufacturer:** Luigs and Neumann, Germany. **Intended Use:** The instrument will be used for electrophysiological studies using rat brain slices with the objective of understanding neuronal activity and information processing in the mammalian brain. In addition, the instrument will be used for educational purposes in the course Biol. 498 in which both graduate and undergraduate students will be exposed to guided research training. **Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs:** June 5, 1997.

Docket Number: 97-048. **Applicant:** Kansas State University, Division of Biology, Ackert Hall, Manhattan, KS 66506-4901. **Instrument:** Electron Microscope, Model CM100. **Manufacturer:** Philips, The Netherlands. **Intended Use:** The instrument will be used for research involving three model systems in cellular and developmental biology which will focus on a unifying theme in gravity perception. In addition, the instrument will be used for educational purposes in the course BIOL 888—Electron Microscopy Techniques providing graduate students with the research resources necessary to make progress on their research

programs. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: June 6, 1997.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

University of Illinois at Chicago; Notice of Consolidated Decision on Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Electron Microscopes

This is a decision consolidated pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651, 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Docket Numbers: 97-031 and 97-032. **Applicant:** University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL 60612-7341. **Instrument:** (2) Electron Microscopes, Models JEM-1220 and JEM-3010. **Manufacturer:** JEOL, Ltd., Japan. **Intended Use:** See notice at 62 FR 27237, May 19, 1997. **Order Date:** September 19, 1996.

Docket Number: 97-035. **Applicant:** University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL 60612-7202. **Instrument:** Electron Microscope, Model JEM-2010F. **Manufacturer:** JEOL, Ltd., Japan. **Intended Use:** See notice at 62 FR 27722, May 21, 1997. **Order Date:** February 14, 1997.

Comments: None received. **Decision:** Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as these instruments are intended to be used, was being manufactured in the United States at the time the instruments were ordered. **Reasons:** Each foreign instrument is a conventional transmission electron microscope (CTEM) and is intended for research or scientific educational uses requiring a CTEM. We know of no CTEM, or any other instrument suited to these purposes, which was being manufactured in the United States at the time of order of each instrument.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (ETTAC)

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (ETTAC) will hold its tenth plenary meeting. The ETTAC was created on May 31, 1994, to promote a close working-relationship between government and industry and to expand export growth in priority and emerging markets for environmental products and services.

DATES AND PLACE: July 18, 1997 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The meeting will take place in Room 4830 of the Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230.

This program is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Office of Environmental Technologies Exports, Department of Commerce, Room 1003, Washington, D.C. 20230. Seating is limited and will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Office of Environmental Technologies Exports, Room 1003, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230, phone (202) 482-5225, facsimile (202) 482-5665 TDD 1-800-833-8723.

Dated: June 13, 1997.

Anne L. Alonzo,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Environmental Technologies Exports.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

National Fire Codes: Request for Comments On NFPA Technical Committee Reports

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) revises existing standards and adopts new standards twice a year. At its Fall Meeting in November or its Annual Meeting in

May, the NFPA acts on recommendations made by its technical committees. The purpose of this notice is to request comments on the technical reports which will be presented at NFPA's 1998 Annual Meeting.

The publication of this notice by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) on behalf of NFPA is being undertaken as a public service; NIST does not necessarily endorse, approve, or recommend any of the standards referenced in the notice.

DATES: The National Electrical Code (NEC) is published in a separate Report on Proposals and is available about June 30, 1997. Comments received on or before October 24, 1997 will be considered by the National Electrical Code Committee before NFPA takes final action on the proposals.

Forty-seven reports are published in the 1988 Annual Meeting Report on Proposals and will be available on August 1, 1997. Comments received on or before October 10, 1997 will be considered by the respective NFPA Committee before final action is taken on the proposals.

ADDRESSES: The 1998 Annual Meeting Report on Proposals and the 1998 NEC Report on Proposals are available from NFPA, Fulfillment Center, 11 Tracy Drive, Avon, MA 02322. Comments on the reports should be submitted to

Casey C. Grant, Secretary, Standards Council, NFPA, 1 Batterymarch Park, P.O. Box 9101, Quincy, Massachusetts 02269-9101.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Casey C. Grant, Secretary, Standards Council, NFPA, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02269-9101, (617) 770-3000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Standards developed by the technical committees of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) have been used by various Federal Agencies as the basis for Federal regulations concerning fire safety. The NFPA codes and standards are known collectively as the National Fire Codes. Often, the Office of the Federal Register approves the incorporation by reference of these standards under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR Part 51.

Revisions of existing standards and adoption of new standards are reported by the technical committees at the NFPA's Fall Meeting in November or at the Annual Meeting in May each year. The NFPA invites public comment on its Report on Proposals.

Request for Comments

Interested persons may participate in these revisions by submitting written data, views, or arguments to Casey C.

Grant, Secretary, Standards Council, NFPA, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, Massachusetts 02269-9101.

Commenters may use the forms provided for comments in the Reports of Proposals. Each person submitting a comment should include his or her name and address, identify the notice, and give reasons for any recommendations. Comments received on or before October 10, 1997 for the 1998 Annual Meeting Report on Proposals, or October 24, 1997 for the NEC Report on Proposals will be considered by the NFPA before final action is taken on the proposals.

Copies of all written comments received and the disposition of these comments by the NFPA committees will be published as the 1998 Annual Meeting Report on Comments by March 27, 1998 or April 10, 1998 for the NEC Report on Comments, prior to the Annual Meeting.

A copy of the Report of Comments will be sent automatically to each commenter. Action on the reports of the Technical Committees (adoption or rejection) will be taken at the Annual Meeting, May 18-21, 1998, in Cincinnati, Ohio, by NFPA members.

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 272.

Dated: June 20, 1997.

Elaine Bunten-Mines,
Director, Program Office.

1998 ANNUAL MEETING REPORT ON PROPOSALS

[P=Partial revision; W=Withdrawal; R=Reconfirmation; N=New; C=Complete Revision]

Doc No.	Title	Action
NFPA 22-1996	Water Tanks for Private Fire Protection	P
NFPA 30B-1994	Aerosol Products	P
NFPA 43D-1994	Pesticides (will be renumbered NFPA 434)	P
NFPA 52-1995	Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Vehicular Fuel Systems	P
NFPA 65-1993	Processing and Finishing of Aluminum (Being incorporated into NFPA 651)	W
NFPA 68-1994	Venting of Deflagrations	C
NFPA 70B-1994	Electrical Equipment Maintenance	P
NFPA 88A-1995	Parking Structures	C
NFPA 96-1994	Ventilation Control and Fire Protection of Commercial Cooking Operations	P
NFPA 231-1995	General Storage	P
NFPA 231C-1995	Rack Storage of Materials	P
NFPA 231D-1994	Storage of Rubber Tires	P
NFPA 260-1994	Cigarette Ignition Resistance of Components of Upholstered Furniture	R
NFPA 261-1994	Mock-Up Upholstered Furniture Material Assemblies to Ignition by Smoldering Cigarettes	R
NFPA 263-1994	Heat and Visible Smoke Release Rates for Materials and Products	W
NFPA 264-1995	Using an Oxygen Consumption Calorimeter (Being renumbered NFPA 271)	C
NFPA 265-1994	Evaluating Room Fire Growth Contribution of Textile Wall Coverings	C
NFPA 270-P*	Determination of Specific Optical Density of Smoke	N
NFPA 285-P*	Evaluation of Flammability Characteristics of Exterior Non-Load Bearing Wall Assemblies Containing Combustible Components Using the Intermediate Scale Multi-Story Test Apparatus.	N
NFPA 295-1991	Wildfire Control	C
NFPA 302-1994	Pleasure and Commercial Motor Craft	P
NFPA 318-1995	Protection of Cleanrooms	P
NFPA 403-1993	Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Services at Airports	P
NFPA 412-1993	Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Foam Equipment	P
NFPA 480-1993	Magnesium Solids and Powders	P
NFPA 490-1993	Ammonium Nitrate	P
NFPA 496-1993	Purged and Pressurized Enclosures for Electrical Equipment	P
NFPA 502-1996	Limited Access Highways, Tunnels, Bridges, Elevated Roadways, and Air Right Structures	C
NFPA 512-1994	Truck Fire Protection	W

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Doc No.	Title	Action
NFPA 513-1994	Motor Freight Terminals	P
NFPA 550-1995	Fire Safety Concepts Tree	W
NFPA 651-1993	Aluminum Powder	C
NFPA 664-1993	Wood Processing and Woodworking Facilities	C
NFPA 906-1993	Fire Incident Field Notes	R
NFPA 1002-1993	Fire Department Vehicle Driver/Operator Professional Qualifications	C
NFPA 1031-1993	Professional Qualifications for Fire Inspector	C
NFPA 1033-1993	Professional Qualifications for Fire Investigator	P
NFPA 1124-1995	Manufacture, Transportation, and Storage of Fireworks	P
NFPA 1127-1995	High Power Rocketry	P
NFPA 1141-1990	Fire Protection in Planned Building Groups	C
NFPA 1420-1993	Pre-Incident Planning for Warehouse Occupancies (Being incorporated into NFPA 1620)	W
NFPA 1620-P*	Pre-Incident Planning	N
NFPA 1921-1993	Fire Department Portable Pumping Units	W
NFPA 1941-P*	Marine Fire Fighting Vessels	N
NFPA 1963-1993	Fire Hose Connections	P
NFPA 1977-1993	Protective Clothing and Equipment for Wildland Fire Fighting	C
NFPA 1982-1993	Personal Alert Safety Systems (PASS) for Fire Fighters	C
NFPA 8506-1995	Heat Recovery Steam Generators	P

* Proposed NEW drafts are available from the NFPA Standards Administration Department, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02269.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Amendment of Export Visa Requirements for Certain Cotton Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Pakistan

June 24, 1997.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs amending visa requirements.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 9, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ross Arnold, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854).

In accordance with paragraph 5.F of the visa arrangement between the Governments of the United States and Pakistan, the U.S. Government has determined to eliminate visa requirements for cotton textile products in Categories 362 and 369-O (other than 369-F/369-P, 369-R and 369-S), produced or manufactured in Pakistan and entered into the United States on or

after September 9, 1997, regardless of the date of export.

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner of Customs to no longer require 362 and 369-O visa for goods exported from Pakistan.

See 48 FR 25257, published on June 6, 1983; and 52 FR 21611, published on June 8, 1987.

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

June 24, 1997.

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on May 27, 1983, as amended, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive directs you to prohibit entry of certain cotton, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Pakistan which were not properly visaed by the Government of Pakistan.

Effective on September 9, 1997, in accordance with paragraph 5.F of the existing visa arrangement between the Governments of the United States and Pakistan, effected by exchange of notes dated March 2 and March 6, 1987, cotton textile products in Categories 362 and 369-O¹ (other than 369-F/369-P, 369-R and 369-S), produced or manufactured in Pakistan and entered into the United States on or after September 9,

¹ Category 369-O: all HTS numbers except 6302.91.0045 (Category 369-F); 6302.60.0010, 6302.91.0005 (369-P); 6307.10.2020 (Category 369-R); and 6307.10.2005 (Category 369-S).

1997, regardless of the date of export, will no longer require a visa.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Chicago Board of Trade Proposed Futures and Option Contracts on the Dow Jones Industrial Average Index

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the terms and conditions of proposed commodity futures and option contracts.

SUMMARY: The Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT or Exchange) has applied for designation as a contract market in futures and futures options on the Dow Jones Industrial Average Index. The Acting Director of the Division of Economic Analysis (Division) of the Commission, acting pursuant to the authority delegated by Commission Regulation 140.96, has determined that publication of the proposal for comment is in the public interest, will assist the Commission in considering the views of interested persons, and is consistent