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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bernard Pasquet, Office of Technical Programs and Coordination Activities, NRTL Program, Room N3653 at the address shown immediately above for the program, or phone (202) 693-2110.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Notice of Application

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) hereby gives notice that Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) has applied for expansion of its recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL). UL's expansion requests cover the use of three additional sites. OSHA's current scope of recognition for UL may be found in the following informational Web page: <http://www.osha-slc.gov/dts/otpcanrtl/ul.html>.

OSHA recognition of an NRTL signifies that the organization has met the legal requirements in Section 1910.7 of Title 29, Code of Federal Regulations (29 CFR 1910.7). Recognition is an acknowledgment that the organization can perform independent safety testing and certification of the specific products covered within its scope of recognition and is not a delegation or grant of government authority. As a result of recognition, employers may use products "properly certified" by the NRTL to meet OSHA standards that require testing and certification.

The Agency processes applications by an NRTL for initial recognition or for 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 its preliminary finding and, in the second notice, the Agency provides its final decision on

the application. These notices set forth the NRTL's scope of recognition or modifications of that scope. We maintain an informational web page for each NRTL, which details its scope of recognition. These pages can be accessed from our Web site at <http://www.osha-slc.gov/dts/otpcanrtl/index.html>.

The most recent notices published by OSHA for UL's recognition covered a renewal and expansion of recognition, which became effective on May 8, 2002 (67 FR 30966).

The current address of the UL facilities (sites) already recognized by OSHA are:

Underwriters Laboratories Inc., 333 Pfingsten Road, Northbrook, Illinois 60062

Underwriters Laboratories Inc., 1285 Walt Whitman Road, Melville, Long Island, New York 11747

Underwriters Laboratories Inc., 1655 Scott Boulevard, Santa Clara, California 95050

Underwriters Laboratories Inc., 12 Laboratory Drive, P.O. Box 13995, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27709

Underwriters Laboratories Inc., 2600 N.W. Lake Road, Camas, Washington 98607

UL International Limited, Veristrong Industrial Centre, Block B, 14th Floor, 34 Au Pui Wan Street, Fo Tan Sha Tin, New Territories, Hong Kong

UL International Services, Ltd., Taiwan Branch, 4th Floor, 260 Da-Yeh Road, Pei Tou District Taipei City, Taiwan

UL International Demko A/S, Lyskaer 8, P.O. Box 514, DK-2730, Herlev, Denmark

Underwriters Laboratory International (U.K.) Ltd., Womersley House, The Guildway, Old Portsmouth Road Guildford, Surrey GU3 1LR, United Kingdom

Underwriters Laboratory International Italia S.r.l., Via Archimede 42, 1-20041 Agrate Brianza, Milan, Italy
Testing facility: Z.I. Preda Niedda st. 18, I-07100, Sassari, Italy

Underwriters Laboratories of Canada, 7 Crouse Road, Scarborough, Ontario, Canada M1R 3A9

UL Japan Co., Ltd., Shimbashi Ekimae Bldg.—1 Gohkan, 4th floor, Room 402, 2-20-15 Shimbashi Minato Ku, Tokyo 105-0004, Japan

The current addresses of the three additional UL sites covered by the expansion requests are:

UL Korea, Ltd., #805, Manhattan Building 36-2, Yeouidong, Yeoungdeungpo-gu, Seoul 150-010, Korea

UL International Germany GmbH, Frankfurter Strasse 229, D-63263 Neu-Isenburg, Germany
UL International (Netherlands) B.V., Landjuweel 52, NL-3905 PH Veenendaal, Netherlands

General Background on the Applications

UL has submitted an application, dated November 8, 2001 (see Exhibit 27), to expand its recognition to include a site in Seoul, Korea, and another application, dated March 15, 2002 (see Exhibit 27-1), to expand its recognition to include a site in Neu-Isenburg, Germany, and a site in Veenendaal, Netherlands. The applications contain information demonstrating that there are adequate procedures, equipment, and personnel to perform product safety testing and certification activities at the sites. Those procedures are in general use throughout UL operations. Also, the application information shows that all three sites are wholly-owned and operated by UL.

The NRTL Program staff performed an on-site review (assessment) of the Korea facility on March 11-14, 2002. In the on-site review report, dated May 23, 2002 (see Exhibit 28), the program staff recommended a "positive finding," which means a positive recommendation on the recognition to the Assistant Secretary. However, the Agency delayed consideration of the application in order to combine it for processing purposes with the application that had by then been received for the two additional sites listed above. The NRTL Program staff performed an on-site review (assessment) of the Netherlands facility on June 11-14, 2002, and an on-site review (assessment) of the Germany facility on June 18-21, 2002. In each on-site review report, dated September 27 and 30, 2002 (see Exhibits 28 and 28-1), respectively, the program staff recommended a "positive finding."

OSHA's recognition of the additional sites would not be limited to any particular test standards. However, recognition of these sites would be limited to performing product testing only to the test standards for which each site has the proper capability and programs, and for which OSHA has recognized UL. This treatment is consistent with the recognition that OSHA has granted to other NRTLs that operate multiple sites. In addition, OSHA would permit the sites to use all eight of the "supplemental" programs, although not all programs would necessarily be used in the near future. UL's scope of recognition already includes these programs.