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Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: December 2, 2003.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. NRTL4-93]

#### Underwriters Laboratories Inc., Expansion of Recognition

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the Agency's final decision to approve an expansion of its recognition of Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) to include an additional 19 test standards.

**DATES:** This recognition becomes effective on December 8, 2003 and, unless modified in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.7, continues in effect while UL remains recognized by OSHA as an NRTL.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bernard Pasquet or Roy Resnick, Office of Technical Programs and Coordination Activities, NRTL Program, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room N3653, Washington, DC 20210, or phone (202) 693-2110.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Notice of Final Decision

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) hereby gives notice of the expansion of recognition of Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL). UL's expansion covers the use of additional test standards. 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.

UL submitted an application, dated November 18, 2002 (see Exhibit 30), to expand its recognition to use 41 additional test standards. The NRTL Program staff determined that 10 of the 41 test standards cannot be included in the expansion because they are not "appropriate test standards," within the meaning of 29 CFR 1910.7(c), while an additional twelve are already included in UL's scope. The staff makes similar determinations in processing expansion requests from any NRTL. Therefore, OSHA approves 19 test standards for the expansion, which are listed below.

In connection with UL's expansion request, OSHA did not perform an on-site review (evaluation) of UL. However, an OSHA NRTL Program assessor reviewed information pertinent to this request and recommended that UL be granted the expansion (see Exhibit 31).

OSHA published the notice of its preliminary findings on the expansion request in the **Federal Register** on October 14, 2003 (68 FR 59209). The notice requested submission of any public comments by October 29, 2003. OSHA did not receive any comments pertaining to the application.

The previous notice published by OSHA for UL's recognition covered another expansion of recognition, which became effective on March 25, 2003 (68 FR 14432).

You may obtain or review copies of all public documents pertaining to the UL application by contacting the Docket Office, Occupational Safety and Health

Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room N2625, Washington, D.C. 20210. You should refer to Docket No. NRTL4-93, the permanent record of public information on UL's recognition.

The current addresses of the UL facilities 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 Guildford, 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;  
UL Korea, Ltd., #805, Manhattan Building 36-2, Yeouui-dong, 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.

#### Final Decision and Order

The NRTL Program staff has examined the application, the assessor's recommendation, and other pertinent information. Based upon this examination and the recommendation,