

## Background

On March 28, 2017, the Department of Commerce (Department) initiated a countervailing duty investigation (CVD) on certain aluminum foil from the People's Republic of China.<sup>1</sup> Currently, the preliminary determination of this investigation is due no later than June 1, 2017.

## Postponement of Preliminary Determination

Section 703(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires the Department to issue the preliminary determination in a CVD investigation within 65 days after the date on which the Department initiated the investigation. However, if the petitioner makes a timely request for a postponement, section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act allows the Department to postpone making the preliminary determination until no later than 130 days after the date on which the Department initiated the investigation.

On May 4, 2017, the petitioners<sup>2</sup> submitted a timely request pursuant to section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(e) to postpone the preliminary determination.<sup>3</sup> For the reasons stated above and because there are no compelling reasons to deny the request, the Department, in accordance with section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act, is postponing the deadline for the preliminary determination to no later than 130 days after the day on which the investigation was initiated. Accordingly, the Department will issue the preliminary determination no later than August 5, 2017. However, because August 5, 2017, falls on a Saturday, the preliminary determination is now due no later than August 7, 2017.<sup>4</sup> In accordance with section 705(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(1), the deadline for the final determination of this investigation will continue to be 75 days after the date of the preliminary determination, unless postponed at a later date.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 703(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(1).

Dated: May 11, 2017.

**Ronald K. Lorentzen,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Institute of Standards and Technology

#### Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology (VCAT or Committee), National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), will meet in an open session on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Eastern Time and Wednesday, June 14, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time. The VCAT is composed of not fewer than 9 members appointed by the NIST Director, a majority of whom are eminent in such fields as business, research, new product development, engineering, labor, education, management consulting, environment, and international relations.

**DATES:** The VCAT will meet on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Eastern Time and Wednesday, June 14, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in the Portrait Room, Administration Building, at NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, Maryland, 20899. Please note admittance instructions under the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Serena Martinez, VCAT, NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 1060, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-1060, telephone number 301-975-2661. Mrs. Martinez's email address is [serena.martinez@nist.gov](mailto:serena.martinez@nist.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 278, as amended, and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App.

The purpose of this meeting is for the VCAT to review and make recommendations regarding general policy for NIST, its organization, its budget, and its programs within the framework of applicable national policies as set forth by the President and the Congress. The agenda will include

an update on major programs at NIST, as well as presentations and discussions on safety and security at NIST. It will also include an update on three preparatory working groups; the Preparatory Work Group on Trade, the Preparatory Work Group on Innovation and Competitiveness through Fundamental Measurement Research and Development, and the Preparatory Work Group on Communications. The agenda will also include discussion on how NIST can prioritize its measurement science research and development efforts to maximize current impact and ensure continued impact in the years to come. The agenda may change to accommodate Committee business. The final agenda will be posted on the NIST Web site at <http://www.nist.gov/director/vcat/agenda.cfm>.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to the Committee's affairs are invited to request a place on the agenda. On Wednesday, June 14, approximately one-half hour in the morning will be reserved for public comments and speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received, but is likely to be about 3 minutes each. The exact time for public comments will be included in the final agenda that will be posted on the NIST Web site at <http://www.nist.gov/director/vcat/agenda.cfm>. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, and those who were unable to attend in person are invited to submit written statements to VCAT, NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, MS 1060, Gaithersburg, Maryland, 20899, via fax at 301-216-0529 or electronically by email to [stephanie.shaw@nist.gov](mailto:stephanie.shaw@nist.gov).

All visitors to the NIST site are required to pre-register to be admitted. Please submit your name, time of arrival, email address and phone number to Serena Martinez by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Tuesday, June 6, 2017. Non-U.S. citizens must submit additional information; please contact Mrs. Martinez. Mrs. Martinez's email address is [serena.martinez@nist.gov](mailto:serena.martinez@nist.gov) and her phone number is 301-975-2661. For participants attending in person, please note that federal agencies, including NIST, can only accept a state-issued driver's license or identification card for access to federal facilities if such license or identification card is issued by a state that is compliant with the REAL ID Act of 2005 (P.L. 109-13), or by a state that

<sup>1</sup> See *Certain Aluminum Foil from the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 82 FR 15688 (March 30, 2017).

<sup>2</sup> The Aluminum Association Trade Enforcement Working Group and its individual members (collectively, the petitioners).

<sup>3</sup> See letter from the petitioners entitled "Certain Aluminum Foil from the People's Republic of China—Petitioners' Request to Postpone Preliminary Determination," dated May 4, 2017.

<sup>4</sup> See *Notice of Clarification: Application of "Next Business Day" Rule for Administrative Determination Deadlines Pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930, As Amended*, 70 FR 24533 (May 10, 2005).

has an extension for REAL ID compliance. NIST currently accepts other forms of federal-issued identification in lieu of a state-issued driver's license. For detailed information please contact Mrs. Martinez at 301-975-2661 or visit: [http://nist.gov/public\\_affairs/visitor/](http://nist.gov/public_affairs/visitor/).

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Institute of Standards and Technology

#### National Conference on Weights and Measures 102nd Annual Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The 102nd Annual Meeting of the National Conference on Weights and Measures (NCWM) will be held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, from Sunday, July 16, 2017, through Thursday, July 20, 2017. This notice contains information about significant items on the NCWM Committee agendas but does not include all agenda items. As a result, the items are not consecutively numbered.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Sunday, July 15, 2017, through Wednesday, July 19, 2017, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, and on Thursday, July 20, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time. The meeting schedule is available at [www.ncwm.net](http://www.ncwm.net).

**ADDRESSES:** This meeting will be held at the Omni William Penn Hotel, 530 William Penn Place, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:** Dr. Douglas Olson, NIST, Office of Weights and Measures, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 2600, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-2600. You may also contact Dr. Olson at (301) 975-2956 or by email at [douglas.olson@nist.gov](mailto:douglas.olson@nist.gov). The meeting is open to the public, but a paid registration is required. Please see the NCWM Web site ([www.ncwm.net](http://www.ncwm.net)) to view the meeting agendas, registration forms, and hotel reservation information.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Publication of this notice on the NCWM's behalf is undertaken as a public service; NIST does not endorse, approve, or recommend any of the proposals or other information

contained in this notice or in publications produced by the NCWM.

The NCWM is an organization of weights and measures officials of the states, counties, and cities of the United States, and representatives from the private sector and federal agencies. These meetings bring together government officials and representatives of business, industry, trade associations, and consumer organizations on subjects related to the field of weights and measures technology, administration, and enforcement. NIST participates to encourage cooperation between federal agencies and the states in the development of legal metrology requirements. NIST also promotes uniformity in state laws, regulations, and testing procedures used in the regulatory control of commercial weighing and measuring devices, packaged goods, and for other trade and commerce issues.

The NCWM has established multiple committees, task groups, and other working bodies to address legal metrology issues of interest to regulatory officials, industry, consumers, and others. The following are brief descriptions of some of the significant agenda items that will be considered by some of the NCWM Committees at the NCWM Annual Meeting. Comments will be taken on these and other issues during public comment sessions. This meeting also includes work sessions in which the Committees may also accept comments for clarification on issues, and where they will finalize recommendations for possible adoption at this meeting. The Committees may also withdraw or carry over items that need additional development.

These notices are intended to make interested parties aware of these development projects and to make them aware that reports on the status of the project will be given at the Annual Meeting. The notices are also presented to invite the participation of manufacturers, experts, consumers, users, and others who may be interested in these efforts.

The Specifications and Tolerances Committee (S&T Committee) will consider proposed amendments to NIST Handbook 44, "Specifications, Tolerances, and other Technical Requirements for Weighing and Measuring Devices." Those items address weighing and measuring devices used in commercial applications, that is, devices used to buy from or sell to the public or used for determining the quantity of products or services sold among businesses. Issues on the agenda of the NCWM Laws and Regulations Committee (L&R

Committee) relate to proposals to amend NIST Handbook 130, "Uniform Laws and Regulations in the Areas of Legal Metrology and Engine Fuel Quality" and NIST Handbook 133, "Checking the Net Contents of Packaged Goods."

#### NCWM S&T Committee

The following items are proposals to amend NIST Handbook 44:

##### Scales

Item 3200-2 S.1.2.2. Verification Scale Interval

Scales Code Paragraph S.1.2.2. Verification Scale Interval currently requires any Class I and II scale and dynamic monorail scale provided with a scale division value (d) that differs from the verification scale interval (e), to comply with the expression:  $d < e \leq 10 d$ .

The S&T Committee will consider a proposal that adds a new subparagraph beneath the Section heading "S.1.2.2. Verification Scale Interval" which would require the value of the displayed scale division "d" to be equal to the value of the verification scale interval "e" on Class I and II scales used in a direct sale application (*i.e.*, an application in which both parties, for example, buyer and seller, are present when the quantity is determined). The new subparagraph being proposed is nonretroactive with a proposed enforcement date of January 1, 2020, making evident the submitter's intention that it not apply to equipment already in commercial service.

Item 3200-3 S.1.8.5. Recorded Representations, Point-of-Sale Systems and S.1.9.3. Recorded Representations, Random Weight Packages Labels

The S&T Committee will consider a proposal requiring additional sales information be recorded by cash registers interfaced with a weighing element for items that are weighed at a checkout stand. These systems are currently required to record the net weight, unit price, total price, and the product class or, in a system equipped with price look-up capability, the product name or code number. The change proposed adds "tare weight" to the list of sales information already required.

##### Weigh-In-Motion Systems Used for Vehicle Enforcement Screening

tem 3205-1 A. Application and Sections Throughout the Code To Address Commercial and Law Enforcement Applications

In February 2016, the NCWM formed a new task group (TG) to consider a