

11, 2024 at 89 FR 49213 is extended to July 29, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** All written comments and requests for a hearing should be sent to the Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA), Office of Exemption Determinations, Attention: Application No. D-12098 via email to [e-OED@dol.gov](mailto:OED@dol.gov) or online through <https://www.regulations.gov> before the end of the extended comment period. The application for the exemption and the comments received will be available for public inspection in the Public Disclosure Room of the Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-1515, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210. Comments and hearing requests will also be available online at <https://www.regulations.gov> at no charge.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nick Schroth, Office of Exemption Determinations, Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, (202) 693-8571 (this is not a toll-free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On June 11, 2024, the Department published the Proposed Exemption in the **Federal Register** that would allow current and future asset managers under the UBS corporate umbrella to continue to rely on PTE 84-14 if certain conditions are met.<sup>1</sup> The proposed exemption established a public comment period deadline of July 15, 2024. The Department recently received two requests to extend the comment period to provide the requestors with additional time to prepare full and complete comment submissions. Based upon those requests and the significance of the Proposed Exemption's relief of the current and former UBS asset managers' ineligibility to rely on PTE 84-14, the Department has concluded that it is appropriate to grant an additional 10 days to receive input from commenters.

Therefore, the Department is hereby extending the comment period until July 29, 2024. The Department encourages commenters to review the instructions for submitting comments that is provided in the Proposed Exemption.<sup>2</sup>

**Warning:** All comments received will be included in the public record without change and may be made available online at <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any

personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be confidential or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. If you submit a comment, EBSA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment, but DO NOT submit information that you consider to be confidential, or otherwise protected (such as a Social Security number or an unlisted phone number) or confidential business information that you do not want publicly disclosed. However, if EBSA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EBSA might not be able to consider your comment.

Additionally, the <https://www.regulations.gov> website is an "anonymous access" system, which means EBSA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an email directly to EBSA without going through <https://www.regulations.gov>, your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public record and made available on the internet.

Signed at Washington, DC.

**George Christopher Cosby,**  
Director, Office of Exemption Determinations,  
Employee Benefits Security Administration,  
U.S. Department of Labor.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. OSHA-2006-0040]

#### SGS North America, Inc.: Application for Expansion of Recognition

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, OSHA announces the application of SGS North America, Inc., 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 August 1, 2024.

**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.

**Instructions:** All submissions must include the agency's name and the docket number for this rulemaking (Docket No. OSHA-2006-0040). All comments, including any personal information you provide, are placed in the public docket without change and may be made available online at <https://www.regulations.gov>. Therefore, OSHA cautions commenters about submitting information they do not want made available to the public, or submitting materials that contain personal information (either about themselves or others), 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 (including this **Federal Register** notice) 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 the website. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection through the OSHA Docket Office. Contact the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693-2350 (TTY (877) 889-5627) for assistance in locating docket submissions.

**Extension of comment period:** Submit requests for an extension of the comment period on or before August 1, 2024 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, telephone: (202) 693-1999; email: [meilinger.francis2@dol.gov](mailto:meilinger.francis2@dol.gov).

**General and technical information:** Contact Mr. Kevin Robinson, Director, Office of Technical Programs and Coordination Activities, Directorate of Technical Support and Emergency Management, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor; phone: (202) 693-1911 or email: [robinson.kevin@dol.gov](mailto:robinson.kevin@dol.gov).

<sup>1</sup> Proposed Exemption for Certain Prohibited Transaction Restrictions Involving UBS AG (UBS) Located in Zurich, Switzerland (89 FR 49213 (June 11, 2024)).

<sup>2</sup> *Id.*

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Notice of the Application for Expansion**

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration is providing notice that SGS North America, Inc. (SGS) is applying for an expansion of the current recognition as a NRTL. SGS requests the addition of two 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 web page for each NRTL, including SGS, 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>.

SGS currently has nine facilities (sites) recognized by OSHA for product testing and certification, with the headquarters located at: SGS North America, Inc., 620 Old Peachtree Road, Suwanee, Georgia 30024. A complete list of SGS's scope of recognition is available at <https://www.osha.gov/dts/otpca/nrtl/sgs.html>.

**II. General Background on the Application**

SGS submitted an application to OSHA to expand recognition as a NRTL to include two additional test standards

on October 4, 2021 (OSHA–2006–0040–0080). OSHA staff performed a detailed analysis of the application packet and reviewed other pertinent information. OSHA did not perform any on-site reviews in relation to this application.

Table 1 lists the test standards included in SGS's application for expansion for testing and certification of products under the NRTL Program.

**TABLE 1—TEST STANDARDS THAT OSHA PROPOSES TO INCLUDE IN SGS'S NRTL SCOPE OF RECOGNITION**

Test standard	Test standard title
UL 1564 .....	Industrial Battery Chargers.
UL 2580 .....	Batteries for Use in Electric Vehicles.

**III. Preliminary Findings on the Application**

OSHA has preliminarily determined that SGS has submitted an acceptable application for expansion of the scope of recognition. OSHA's review of the application file and pertinent documentation indicates that the test standards requested in the expansion application meets the requirements prescribed by 29 CFR 1910.7 for expanding the recognition to include the addition of these two test standards for NRTL testing and certification listed above. This preliminary finding does not constitute an interim or temporary approval of SGS's application.

**IV. Public Participation**

OSHA welcomes public comment as to whether SGS meets the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.7 for expansion of 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 by the due date for comments. OSHA will limit any extension to 10 days unless the requester justifies a longer time period. OSHA may deny a request for an extension if it is not adequately justified.

To 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 generally available online at <https://www.regulations.gov> under Docket No. OSHA–2006–0040 (for further information, see the "Docket" heading in the section of this notice titled **ADDRESSES**).

OSHA staff will review all comments to the docket submitted in a timely manner. After addressing the issues raised by these comments, staff will make a recommendation to the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health on whether to grant SGS's application for expansion of the scope of recognition. The Assistant Secretary will make the final decision on granting the applications. 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**.

**V. Authority and Signature**

James S. Frederick, 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 29 U.S.C. 657(g)(2), Secretary of Labor's Order No. 8–2020 (85 FR 58393; Sept. 18, 2020), and 29 CFR 1910.7.

Signed at Washington, DC, on July 10, 2024.

**James S. Frederick,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Occupational Safety and Health Administration**

[Docket No. OSHA–2006–0042]

**CSA Group Testing & Certification Inc.: Grant of Expansion of Recognition**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, OSHA announces the final decision to expand the scope of recognition for CSA Group Testing & Certification Inc., for expansion of the recognition as a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL).

**DATES:** The expansion of the scope of recognition becomes effective on July 17, 2024.

**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