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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. OSHA-2022-0011]

#### Maritime Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (MACOSH): Request for Nominations

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

**ACTION:** Request for nominations.

**SUMMARY:** OSHA invites interested persons to submit nominations for membership on the Maritime Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (MACOSH).

**DATES:** Nominations for MACOSH membership must be submitted by January 6, 2025.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit nominations and supporting materials, including attachments, electronically at: <http://www.regulations.gov>, the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Follow the online instructions for submitting nominations.

OSHA will post submissions in response to this **Federal Register** notice, including personal information, in the public docket, which is available online. Therefore, OSHA cautions interested parties about submitting personal information such as Social Security numbers and birthdates.

*Docket:* To read or download submissions or other material in the docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

All documents in the public docket are listed in the index; however, some documents (e.g., copyrighted material) are not publicly available to read or download through [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). 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.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

*Press inquiries:* 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 information and technical inquiries:* Ms. Amy Wangdahl, Director, Office of Maritime and Agriculture, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, telephone (202) 693-2066; email: [wangdahl.amy@dol.gov](mailto:wangdahl.amy@dol.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Secretary of Labor (Secretary) invites interested persons to submit nominations for membership on MACOSH.

#### I. Background

MACOSH (Committee) was established by Section 7(d) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSH Act) (29 U.S.C. 651, 656) to advise the Secretary of Labor through the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health (Assistant Secretary) in formulating maritime industry standards and regarding matters pertaining to the administration of the OSH Act related to the maritime industry. MACOSH is a non-discretionary advisory committee of indefinite duration (see section 3510 of the National Defense Authorization Act of 2020 (Pub. L. 116-92)).

MACOSH operates in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. 1001, *et seq.*), its implementing regulations (41 CFR 102-3), and OSHA's regulations on advisory committees (29 CFR part 1912). Pursuant to section 14 of FACA (5 U.S.C. 1013(b)(2)), the MACOSH charter must be renewed every two years.

The Committee meets approximately two times per year. Committee members serve without compensation, but OSHA provides travel and per diem expenses. Members serve a two-year term, which begins from the date of appointment by the Secretary of Labor. The terms of all current MACOSH members will expire on April 13, 2025.

#### II. MACOSH Membership

MACOSH consists of not more than 15 members appointed by the Secretary of Labor. The agency seeks committed members who have a strong interest in the safety and health of workers in the maritime industries. The U.S. Department of Labor is committed to equal opportunity in the workplace. The Secretary of Labor will appoint members to create a broad-based, balanced, and diverse committee reflecting the shipyard, longshoring, and commercial fishing industries, and representing affected interests such as employers, employees, safety and health professional organizations, government organizations with interests or activities

related to the maritime industry, academia, and the public.

Nominations of new members, or resubmissions of current or former members, will be accepted in all categories of membership. Interested persons may nominate themselves or submit the name of another person whom they believe to be interested in and qualified to serve on MACOSH. Nominations may also be submitted by organizations from one of the categories listed above (e.g., employer, employee, public, safety and health professional organization, state safety and health agency, academia).

#### III. Submission Requirements

Any individual or organization may nominate one or more qualified persons for membership on MACOSH. Nominations must include the following information:

- (1) The nominee's name, contact information, and current employment or position;
- (2) The nominee's resume or curriculum vitae, including prior membership on MACOSH and other relevant organizations and associations;
- (3) The maritime industry interest (e.g., employer, employee, public, safety and health professional organization, state safety and health agency, academia) that the nominee is qualified to represent;
- (4) A summary of the background, experience, and qualifications that addresses the nominee's suitability for membership; and
- (5) A statement that the nominee is aware of the nomination, is willing to regularly attend and participate in MACOSH meetings, and has no conflicts of interest that would preclude membership on MACOSH.

OSHA will conduct a basic background check of candidates before their appointment to MACOSH. The background check will involve accessing publicly available, internet-based sources.

#### IV. Member Selection

The Secretary of Labor will select MACOSH members based on their experience, knowledge, and competence in the field of occupational safety and health, particularly in the maritime industries. Information received through this nomination process, and other relevant sources of information, will assist the Secretary of Labor in appointing members to MACOSH. In selecting MACOSH members, the Secretary of Labor will consider individuals nominated in response to this **Federal Register** notice, as well as other qualified individuals. OSHA will

publish a list of MACOSH members in the **Federal Register**.

**Authority and Signature**

James S. Frederick, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, authorized the preparation of this notice pursuant to the OSH Act, 29 U.S.C. 653, 655, and 656, FACA (5 U.S.C. 1001, *et seq.*), the implementing regulations (41 CFR 102–3), Department of Labor Manual Series Chapter 1–900 (March 25, 2022), OSHA’s regulations on Advisory Committees (29 CFR part 1912), and Secretary of Labor’s Order No. 8–2020 (85 FR 58393, Sept. 18, 2020).

Signed at Washington, DC, on October 31, 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–2010–0046]

**QPS Evaluation Services, 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 QPS Evaluation Services, Inc., for expansion of the 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 November 22, 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–2010–0046). 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>.

[www.regulations.gov](http://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 November 22, 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, phone: (202) 693–1999 or 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, phone: (202) 693–1911 or email: [robinson.kevin@dol.gov](mailto:robinson.kevin@dol.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Notice of the Application for Expansion**

OSHA is providing notice that QPS Evaluation Services, Inc. (QPS), is applying for expansion of the current recognition as a NRTL. QPS requests the addition of five test standards to the NRTL scope of recognition.

OSHA’s 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 a 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 QPS 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>.

**II. General Background on the Application**

QPS submitted an application to OSHA for expansion of the NRTL scope of recognition on February 13, 2024 (OSHA–2010–0046–0021), requesting the addition of five standards to the NRTL scope of recognition. OSHA staff performed a detailed analysis of the application packet and reviewed other pertinent information. OSHA did not perform an on-site review related to this application.

Table 1, below, lists the appropriate test standards found in QPS’s application for expansion for testing and certification of products under the NRTL Program.

TABLE 1—PROPOSED APPROPRIATE TEST STANDARDS FOR INCLUSION IN QPS’S NRTL SCOPE OF RECOGNITION

Test standard	Test standard title
UL 22 .....	Amusement and Gaming Machines
UL 751 .....	Vending Machines
UL 1012 .....	Power Units Other Than Class 2