

U.S. Customs and Border Protection



19 CFR Part 4

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TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE VESSEL REPAIR UNIT REGULATIONS

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Final rule; technical amendment.

SUMMARY: This document amends the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) regulations to update provisions relating to the declaration, entry and dutiable status of repair expenditures made abroad for certain vessels to reflect the port of New Orleans, Louisiana as the only Vessel Repair Unit (VRU) location. The amendment will improve the efficiency of vessel repair entry processing, ensure the proper assessment and collection of duties, and make the regulations more transparent.

DATES: The final rule is effective November 29, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Donna Dedeaux, Branch Chief, Cargo and Conveyance Security, at *Donna.M.Dedeaux@cbp.dhs.gov* or (202) 325-2497.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Under section 466, Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1466), purchases for or repairs made to certain vessels while they are outside the United States are subject to declaration, entry and payment of ad valorem duty. These requirements are effective upon the first arrival of the affected vessel in any port of the United States. The vessels subject to these requirements include those documented under U.S. law for the foreign or coastwise trades, as well as those which were previously documented under the laws of some foreign nation or are undocumented at the time that the foreign shipyard repairs are performed, but which exhibit an intent to engage in those trades.

The regulations implementing 19 U.S.C. 1466 are found in § 4.14 of the CBP regulations (19 CFR 4.14). Section 4.14 provides that when a vessel subject to the vessel repair statute first arrives into the United States or Puerto Rico following a foreign voyage, the owner, master, or authorized agent, or vessel operator must submit a vessel repair entry and declaration on CBP Form 226 (Form), a dual-use form used both for entry and declaration purposes. If no foreign repair-related expenses were incurred, that fact must also be reported either on the Form or by approved electronic means. The owner, master, or authorized agent must ensure the declaration is ready for presentation in the event that a CBP officer boards the vessel. Section 4.14 provides that the CBP port of arrival receiving either a positive or negative vessel repair declaration or electronic equivalent must immediately forward it to the appropriate Vessel Repair Unit (VRU) port of entry via mail, fax, or email. The owner, master, or authorized agent, or vessel operator must also file a vessel repair entry directly with the VRU. *See*, 19 CFR 4.14(c), (e). The regulations list three VRU locations: New York, New York, San Francisco, California, and New Orleans, Louisiana. *See*, 19 CFR 4.14(g).

Discussion of Regulatory Changes

Of the three VRUs listed in § 4.14(g), only the New Orleans location is currently operational. Over the years, there has been a steady decrease in the number of vessel repair entries filed. Based on the small volume of entries being received at the VRU locations in New York and San Francisco and due to CBP's staffing needs, in 2003–2004, CBP informally streamlined VRU operations so that such operations would be performed only at the port of New Orleans VRU. As a result of common practice, the trade generally submits its vessel repair entries directly to the New Orleans VRU.¹ CBP forwards any entries received at the New York or San Francisco VRUs to New Orleans. To reflect this practice and for purposes of transparency, this document makes changes to § 4.14 to reflect the port of New Orleans as the sole VRU location. This document also updates the regulations to reflect a name change of the office within CBP Headquarters referenced in § 4.14. The referenced office is now known as the Cargo Security, Carriers & Restricted Merchandise Branch, Office of Trade. Also, to ensure clarity, the document makes additional minor wording changes to the regulation.

¹ Since 2003–2004, the port of New Orleans VRU has averaged approximately 540 entries per year.

Inapplicability of Prior Notice and Delayed Effective Date

According to section 553 of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) (5 U.S.C. 553), rulemaking generally requires prior notice and comment, and a 30-day delayed effective date, subject to specified exceptions. Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2), matters relating to agency management or personnel are excepted from the requirements of section 553. Additionally, as provided in 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(3)(A), the prior notice and comment and delayed effective date requirements do not apply when agencies promulgate rules concerning agency organization, procedure, or practice.

This rule does not require prior notice and comment because it relates to agency management and agency organization, procedures, or practice. As explained above, the rule merely updates the regulations to reflect the informal streamlining of VRU operations in 2003–2004, so that all vessel repair entries are processed by the New Orleans VRU. As a result of common practice, the trade generally submits its vessel repair entries are now submitted directly to the New Orleans VRU. CBP forwards any such entries received in New York or San Francisco to the New Orleans VRU for processing. Accordingly, this rule does not affect the substantive rights or interests of the public, but merely conforms the regulations to existing agency management and agency procedures and organization. This rule also makes other minor wording changes for clarity and includes a technical update to the regulations to reflect a name change in the referenced office within CBP Headquarters.

Executive Orders 12866, 13563, and 13771

Executive Orders 13563 and 12866 direct agencies to assess the costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits (including potential economic, environmental, public health and safety effects, distributive impacts, and equity). Executive Order 13563 emphasizes the importance of quantifying both costs and benefits, of reducing costs, of harmonizing rules, and of promoting flexibility. Executive Order 13771 (“Reducing Regulation and Controlling Regulatory Costs”) directs agencies to reduce regulation and control regulatory costs and provides that “for every one new regulation issued, at least two prior regulations be identified for elimination, and that the cost of planned regulations be prudently managed and controlled through a budgeting process.”

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has not designated this rule as a “significant regulatory action,” under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866. Accordingly, OMB has not reviewed this

regulation. This regulation updates CBP's VRU regulations, eliminating costs of processing vessel repair entries that must be forwarded to the New Orleans VRU. Thus, DHS considers this a deregulatory action under Executive Order 13771. See OMB's Memorandum, "Guidance Implementing Executive Order 13771, 'Reducing Regulation and Controlling Regulatory Costs'" (April 5, 2017).

This rule amends an outdated regulation by removing obsolete provisions to reflect the streamlining of VRU operations. Of the three VRUs listed in § 4.14(g), only the New Orleans location is currently operational. Although, as a result of common practice, the trade generally submits its vessel repair entries directly to the New Orleans VRU for processing, some entries are submitted to the other locations listed in the regulations. Vessel Repair Entries are filed on paper and submitted via postal mail and each entry can be hundreds of pages long. Historically, misdirected entries have been forwarded in hard copy to the New Orleans VRU. This rule eliminates the small costs in processing vessel repair entries that may be initially submitted to the other locations that CBP must then forward to the New Orleans, Louisiana VRU. CBP believes the monetized cost savings of the rule to be insignificant due to the small number of vessel repair entries received each year, an average of 540, of which some are not already submitted to the New Orleans VRU. This rule will make the procedures for processing vessel repair entries more efficient for both CBP and the affected population, with zero additional costs.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

Because this document is not subject to the notice and public procedure requirements of 5 U.S.C. 553, it is not subject to the provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*).

Signing Authority

This document is being issued in accordance with 19 CFR 0.2(a), which provides that the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury with respect to CBP regulations that are not related to customs revenue functions was transferred to the Secretary of Homeland Security pursuant to Section 403(l) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002. Accordingly, this final rule to amend such regulations may be signed by the Secretary of Homeland Security (or his or her delegate).

List of Subjects in 19 CFR Part 4

Customs duties and inspection, Entry procedures, Repairs, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Vessels.

Amendments to the Regulations

For the reasons stated in the preamble, part 4 of the CBP regulations (19 CFR part 4) is amended as set forth below.

PART 4—VESSELS IN FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC TRADES

■ 1. The general authority citation for part 4 and the specific authority citation for § 4.14 continue to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 301; 19 U.S.C. 66, 1431, 1433, 1434, 1624, 2071 note; 46 U.S.C. 501, 60105.

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Section 4.14 also issued under 19 U.S.C. 1466, 1498; 31 U.S.C. 9701.

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■ 2. Amend § 4.14 as follows:

■ a. Revise the third and fifth sentences of paragraph (c);

■ b. Revise the fourth sentence of paragraph (d);

■ c. Revise the fourth sentence of paragraph (e);

■ d. Revise the second, fourth, seventh and eighth sentences of paragraph (f);

■ e. Revise paragraph (g);

■ f. Revise the eighth and the ninth sentences of paragraph (i)(1);

■ g. Revise the fifth sentence of paragraph (i)(2);

■ h. Revise the third sentence of paragraph (i)(4).

The revisions read as follows:

§ 4.14 Equipment purchases for, and repairs to, American vessels.

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(c) *Estimated duty deposit and bond requirements.* * * * At the time the vessel repair entry is submitted by the vessel operator to the Vessel Repair Unit (VRU) as defined in paragraph (g) of this section, that same identifying information must be included on the entry form. * * * CBP officials at the port of arrival may consult the VRU as identified in paragraph (g) of this section or the staff of the Cargo

Security, Carriers & Restricted Merchandise Branch, Office of Trade in CBP Headquarters in setting sufficient bond amounts. * * *

(d) *Declaration required.* * * * The CBP port of arrival receiving either a positive or negative vessel repair declaration or electronic equivalent will immediately forward it to the VRU as identified in paragraph (g) of this section.

(e) *Entry required.* * * * The entry must be presented or electronically transmitted by the vessel operator to the VRU as identified in paragraph (g) of this section, so that it is received within ten calendar days after arrival of the vessel. * * *

(f) *Time limit for submitting evidence of cost.* * * * If the entry is incomplete when submitted, evidence to make it complete must be received by the VRU as identified in paragraph (g) of this section within 90 calendar days from the date of vessel arrival.

* * * The VRU may grant one 30-day extension of time to submit final cost evidence if a satisfactory written explanation of the need for an extension is received before the expiration of the original 90-day submission period. * * * Questions as to whether an extension should be granted may be referred to the Cargo Security, Carriers & Restricted Merchandise Branch, Office of Trade in CBP Headquarters by the VRU. Any request for an extension beyond a 30-day grant issued by the VRU must be submitted through that unit to the Cargo Security, Carriers & Restricted Merchandise Branch, Office of Trade, CBP Headquarters. * * *

(g) *Location and jurisdiction of vessel repair unit port of entry.* The VRU, located in New Orleans, Louisiana, processes vessel repair entries received from all United States ports of arrival.

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(i) *General procedures for seeking relief—* (1) *Applications for relief.* * * * Applications must be addressed and submitted by the vessel operator to the VRU and will be decided in that unit. The VRU may seek the advice of the Cargo Security, Carriers & Restricted Merchandise Branch, Office of Trade in CBP Headquarters with regard to any specific item or issue which has not been addressed by clear precedent. * * *

(2) *Additional evidence.* * * * After a decision is made on an Application for Relief by the VRU, the applicant will be notified of the right to protest any adverse decision.

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(4) *Administrative protest.* * * * In particular, the applicable protest period will begin on the date of the issuance of the decision giving rise to the protest as reflected on the relevant correspondence from the VRU.

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Dated: November 21, 2018.

KEVIN K. McALEENAN,
Commissioner,
U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

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**ACCREDITATION OF COASTAL GULF AND
INTERNATIONAL (LULING, LA), AS A COMMERCIAL
LABORATORY**

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice of accreditation of Coastal Gulf and International (Luling, LA), as a commercial laboratory.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Coastal Gulf and International (Luling, LA), has been accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes as of July 25, 2018.

DATES: Coastal Gulf and International (Luling, LA) was accredited, as a commercial laboratory as of July 25, 2018. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for July 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Justin Shey, Laboratories and Scientific Services Directorate, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, tel. 202-344-1060.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12, that Coastal Gulf and International, 13615 River Road, Luling, LA 70070 has been accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12.

Coastal Gulf and International is accredited for the following laboratory analysis procedures and methods for petroleum and certain petroleum products set forth by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Laboratory Methods (CBPL) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):

CBPL No.	ASTM	Title
27-01.....	D 287	Standard Test Method for API Gravity of Crude Petroleum and Petroleum Products (Hydrometer Method).
27-02.....	D 1298	Standard Test Method for Density, Relative Density (Specific Gravity), or API Gravity of Crude Petroleum and Liquid Petroleum Products by Hydrometer Method.

Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to *CBPGaugersLabs@cbp.dhs.gov*. Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories. <http://www.cbp.gov/about/labsscific/commercial-gaugers-and-laboratories>.

Dated: November 13, 2018.

PATRICIA HAWES COLEMAN,
*Acting Executive Director,
 Laboratories and Scientific
 Services Directorate.*

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**APPROVAL OF MARINE TECHNICAL SURVEYORS, INC.
 (DONALDSONVILLE, LA) AS A COMMERCIAL GAUGER**

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice of accreditation and approval of Marine Technical Surveyors, Inc. (Donaldsonville, LA) as a commercial gauger.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Marine Technical Surveyors, Inc. (Donaldsonville, LA), has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of May 8, 2018.

DATES: Marine Technical Surveyors, Inc. (Donaldsonville, LA) was approved as a commercial gauger as of May 8, 2018. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for May 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melanie Glass, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, tel. 202-344-1060.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to 19 CFR 19 CFR 151.13, that Marine Technical Surveyors, Inc. 2382 Highway 1 South, Donaldsonville, LA 70346, has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.13.

Marine Technical Surveyors, Inc. (Donaldsonville, LA) is approved for the following gauging procedures for petroleum and certain petroleum products from the American Petroleum Institute (API):

API chapters	Title
3	Tank gauging.
7	Temperature Determination.
8	Sampling.
12	Calculations.
17	Maritime Measurements.

Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to *CBPGaugersLabs@cbp.dhs.gov*. Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories. <http://www.cbp.gov/about/labs-scientific/commercial-gaugers-and-laboratories>.

Dated: November 13, 2018.

PATRICIA HAWES COLEMAN,
Acting Executive Director,
Laboratories and Scientific Services.

APPROVAL OF LABORATORY SERVICE INC. (SAVANNAH, GA) AS A COMMERCIAL GAUGER

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice of approval of Laboratory Service Inc. (Savannah, GA) as a commercial gauger.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Laboratory Service Inc. (Savannah, GA), has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of September 14, 2016.

DATES: Laboratory Service Inc. (Savannah, GA) was approved as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of September 14, 2016. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for September 2019.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melanie Glass, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, tel. 202–344–1060.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to 19 CFR 151.13, that Laboratory Service Inc. 1084 W. Lathrop, Savannah, GA 31415, has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.13.

Laboratory Service Inc. (Savannah, GA) is approved for the following gauging procedures for petroleum and certain petroleum products from the American Petroleum Institute (API):

API chapters	Title
3	Tank gauging.
7	Temperature determination.
17	Maritime measurement.

Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344–1060. The inquiry may also be sent to

CBPGaugersLabs@cbp.dhs.gov. Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories. <http://www.cbp.gov/about/labs-scientific/commercial-gaugers-and-laboratories>.

Dated: November 13, 2018.

PATRICIA HAWES COLEMAN,
Acting Executive Director,
Laboratories and Scientific Services.

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**APPROVAL OF COASTAL GULF AND INTERNATIONAL
(BATON ROUGE, LA), AS A COMMERCIAL GAUGER**

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice of approval of Coastal Gulf and International (Baton Rouge, LA), as a commercial gauger.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Coastal Gulf and International (Baton Rouge, LA), has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of July 26, 2018.

DATES: Coastal Gulf and International (Baton Rouge, LA) was approved, as a commercial gauger as of July 26, 2018. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for July 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Justin Shey, Laboratories and Scientific Services Directorate, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, tel. 202-344-1060.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to 19 CFR 151.13, that Coastal Gulf and International, 2668 Rome Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70814 has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.13. Coastal Gulf and International is approved for the following gauging procedures for petroleum and certain petroleum products from the American Petroleum Institute (API):

API chapters	Title
3	Tank Gauging.
7	Temperature Determination.

API chapters	Title
8	Sampling.
12	Calculations.
17	Marine Measurement.

Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to *CBPGaugersLabs@cbp.dhs.gov*. Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories. <http://www.cbp.gov/about/labs-scientific/commercial-gaugers-and-laboratories>.

Dated: November 13, 2018.

PATRICIA HAWES COLEMAN,
*Acting Executive Director,
 Laboratories and Scientific
 Services Directorate.*

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APPROVAL OF COASTAL GULF AND INTERNATIONAL (CORPUS CHRISTI, TX), AS A COMMERCIAL GAUGER

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice of approval of Coastal Gulf and International (Corpus Christi, TX), as a commercial gauger.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Coastal Gulf and International (Corpus Christi, TX), has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of August 7, 2018.

DATES: Coastal Gulf and International (Corpus Christi, TX) was approved, as a commercial gauger as of August 7, 2018. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for August 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Justin Shey, Laboratories and Scientific Services Directorate, U.S. Customs and

Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, tel. 202-344-1060.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to 19 CFR 151.13, that Coastal Gulf and International, 4738 Neptune Dr., Corpus Christi, TX 78405 has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.13. Coastal Gulf and International is approved for the following gauging procedures for petroleum and certain petroleum products from the American Petroleum Institute (API):

API chapters	Title
3	Tank Gauging.
7	Temperature Determination.
8	Sampling.
12	Calculations.
17	Marine Measurement.

Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to *CBPGaugersLabs@cbp.dhs.gov*. Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories. <http://www.cbp.gov/about/labs-scientific/commercial-gaugers-and-laboratories>.

Dated: November 13, 2018.

PATRICIA HAWES COLEMAN,
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 Laboratories and Scientific
 Services Directorate.*

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**APPROVAL OF WFR METERING, INC. (HOUSTON, TX), AS
 A COMMERCIAL GAUGER**

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice of accreditation and approval of WFR Metering, Inc. (Houston, TX) as a commercial gauger.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that WFR Metering, Inc. (Houston, TX), has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of July 12, 2017.

DATES: WFR Metering, Inc. (Houston, TX) was approved and accredited as a commercial gauger as of July 12, 2017. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for July 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melanie Glass, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, tel. 202-344-1060.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to 19 CFR 19 CFR 151.13, that WFR Metering, Inc. 450 Gears Road. Ste 105, Houston, TX 77067 has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.13.

WFR Metering, Inc. (Houston, TX) is approved for the following gauging procedures for petroleum and certain petroleum products from the American Petroleum Institute (API):

API Chapters	Title
8	Sampling.

Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to *CBPGaugersLabs@cbp.dhs.gov*. Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

<http://www.cbp.gov/about/labs-scientific/commercial-gaugers-and-laboratories>

Dated: November 13, 2018.

PATRICIA HAWES COLEMAN,
Acting Executive Director,
Laboratories and Scientific Services.

**ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF ATLANTIC
PRODUCT SERVICES, INC. (CARTERET, NJ), AS A
COMMERCIAL GAUGER AND LABORATORY**

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice of accreditation and approval of Atlantic Product Services, Inc. (Carteret, NJ), as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that Atlantic Product Services, Inc. (Carteret, NJ), has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of May 24, 2018.

DATES: Atlantic Product Services, Inc. (Carteret, NJ) was accredited and approved, as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of May 24, 2018. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for May 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Justin Shey, Laboratories and Scientific Services Directorate, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, tel. 202–344–1060.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, that Atlantic Product Services, Inc., 2 Terminal Rd., KMI Bldg. OB2, Carteret, NJ 07008 has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. Atlantic Product Services, Inc. is approved for the following gauging procedures for petroleum and certain petroleum products from the American Petroleum Institute (API):

API chapters	Title
1	Vocabulary.
3	Tank Gauging.
7	Temperature Determination.
8	Sampling.
11	Physical Properties.
12	Calculations.
17	Marine Measurement.

Atlantic Product Services, Inc. is accredited for the following laboratory analysis procedures and methods for petroleum and certain petroleum products set forth by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Laboratory Methods (CBPL) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):

CBPL No.	ASTM	Title
27-01.....	D 287.....	Standard Test Method for API Gravity of Crude Petroleum and Petroleum Products (Hydrometer Method).
27-04.....	D 95.....	Standard Test Method for Water in Petroleum Products and Bituminous Materials by Distillation.
27-05.....	D 4928.....	Standard Test Method for Water in Crude Oils by Coulometric Karl Fischer Titration.
27-06.....	D 473.....	Standard Test Method for Sediment in Crude Oils and Fuel Oils by the Extraction Method.
27-08.....	D 86.....	Standard Test Method for Distillation of Petroleum Products at Atmospheric Pressure.
27-11.....	D 445.....	Standard Test Method for Kinematic Viscosity of Transparent and Opaque Liquids (and Calculation of Dynamic Viscosity).
27-13.....	D 4294.....	Standard Test Method for Sulfur in Petroleum and Petroleum Products by Energy Dispersive X-ray Fluorescence Spectrometry.
27-14.....	D 2622.....	Standard Test Method for Sulfur in Petroleum Products by Wavelength Dispersive X-Ray Fluorescence Spectrometry.
27-46.....	D 5002.....	Standard Test Method for Density and Relative Density of Crude Oils by Digital Density Analyzer.
27-48.....	D 4052.....	Standard Test Method for Density and Relative Density of Liquids by Digital Density Meter.
27-50.....	D 93.....	Standard Test Methods for Flash Point by Pensky-Martens Closed Cup Tester.
27-53.....	D 2709.....	Standard Test Method for Water and Sediment in Middle Distillate Fuels by Centrifuge.
27-58.....	D 5191.....	Standard Test Method For Vapor Pressure of Petroleum Products (Mini Method).
N/A.....	D 5769.....	Determination of Benzene, Toluene, and Total Aromatics in Finished Gasolines by Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry.
N/A.....	D 3606.....	Standard Test Method for Determination of Benzene and Toluene in Finished Motor and Aviation Gasoline by Gas Chromatography.

CBPL No.	ASTM	Title
N/A.....	D 2700.....	Standard Test Method for Motor Octane Number of Spark-Ignition Engine Fuel.
N/A.....	D 2699.....	Standard Test Method for Research Octane Number of Spark-Ignition Engine Fuel.
N/A.....	D 130.....	Standard Test Method for Corrosiveness to Copper from Petroleum Products by Copper Strip Test.

Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to *CBPGaugersLabs@cbp.dhs.gov*. Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories. <http://www.cbp.gov/about/labs-scientific/commercial-gaugers-and-laboratories>.

Dated: November 13, 2018.

PATRICIA HAWES COLEMAN,
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ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF SGS NORTH AMERICA, INC., AS A COMMERCIAL GAUGER AND LABORATORY

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice of accreditation and approval of SGS North America, Inc., as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that SGS North America, Inc., has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of July 20, 2018.

DATES: *Applicable Dates:* The accreditation and approval of SGS North America, Inc., as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on July 20, 2018. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for July 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Stephen Cassata, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, tel. 202-344-1060.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, that SGS North America, Inc., 614 Heron Drive, Bridgeport, NJ 08014, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. SGS North America, Inc., is approved for the following gauging procedures for petroleum and certain petroleum products set forth by the American Petroleum Institute (API):

API chapters	Title
1	Vocabulary.
3	Tank gauging.
7	Temperature Determination.
8	Sampling.
12	Calculations.
17	Maritime Measurements.

SGS North America, Inc., is accredited for the following laboratory analysis procedures and methods for petroleum and certain petroleum products set forth by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Laboratory Methods (CBPL) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):

CBPL No.	ASTM	Title
27-01.....	D287	Standard Test Method for API Gravity of Crude Petroleum and Petroleum Products (Hydrometer Method).
27-05.....	D4928	Standard Test Method for Water in Crude Oils by Coulometric Karl Fischer Titration.
27-06.....	D473	Standard Test Method for Sediment in Crude Oils and Fuel Oils by the Extraction Method.

CBPL No.	ASTM	Title
27-07.....	D4807	Standard Test Method for Sediment in Crude Oil by Membrane Filtration.
27-08.....	D86	Standard Test Method for Distillation of Petroleum Products at Atmospheric Pressure.
27-11.....	D445	Standard Test Method for Kinematic Viscosity of Transparent and Opaque Liquids.
27-13.....	D4294	Standard Test Method for Sulfur in Petroleum and Petroleum Products by Energy-Dispersive X-ray Fluorescence Spectrometry.
27-48.....	D4052	Standard Test Method for Density and Relative Density of Liquids by Digital Density Meter.
27-50.....	D93	Standard Test Methods for Flash-Point by Pensky-Martens Closed Cup Tester.
27-53.....	D2709	Standard Test Method for Water and Sediment in Middle Distillate Fuels by Centrifuge.
27-58.....	D5191	Standard Test Method For Vapor Pressure of Petroleum Products (Mini Method).
N/A.....	D97	Standard Test Method for Pour Point of Petroleum Products.
N/A.....	D130	Standard Test Method for Corrosiveness to Copper from Petroleum Products by Copper Strip Test.
N/A.....	D381	Standard Test Method for Gum Content in Fuels by Jet Evaporation.
N/A.....	D525	Standard Test Method for Oxidation Stability of Gasoline (Induction Period Method).
N/A.....	D664	Standard Test Method for Acid Number of Petroleum Products by Potentiometric Titration.
N/A.....	D1319	Standard Test Method for Hydrocarbon Types in Liquid Petroleum Products by Fluorescent Indicator Adsorption.
N/A.....	D2699	Standard Test Method for Research Octane Number of Spark-Ignition Engine Fuel.
N/A.....	D2700	Standard Test Method for Motor Octane Number of Spark-Ignition Engine Fuel.
N/A.....	D3237	Standard Test Method for Lead in Gasoline by Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy.
N/A.....	D3606	Standard Test Method for Determination of Benzene and Toluene in Finished Motor and Aviation Gasoline by Gas Chromatography.
N/A.....	D4377	Standard Test Method for Kinematic Viscosity of Transparent and Opaque Liquids (and Calculation of Dynamic Viscosity).

CBPL No.	ASTM	Title
N/A	D5453	Standard Test Method for Determination of Total Sulfur in Light Hydrocarbons, Spark Ignition Engine Fuel, Diesel Engine Fuel, and Engine Oil by Ultraviolet Fluorescence.
N/A	D5599	Standard Test Method for Determination of Oxygenates in Gasoline by Gas Chromatography and Oxygen Selective Flame Ionization Detection.
N/A	D5708	Standard Test Methods for Determination of Nickel, Vanadium, and Iron in Crude Oils and Residual Fuels by Inductively Coupled Plasma (ICP) Atomic Emission Spectrometry.
N/A	D5769	Determination of Benzene, Toluene, and Total Aromatics in Finished Gasolines by Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry.
N/A	D6377	Standard Test Method for Determination of Vapor Pressure of Crude Oil: VPCR _x (Expansion Method).
N/A	D7346	Standard Test Method for No Flow Point and Pour Point of Petroleum Products and Liquid Fuels.
N/A	D7671	Standard Test Method for Corrosiveness to Silver by Automotive Spark-Ignition Engine Fuel-Silver Strip Method.
N/A	D7689	Standard Test Method for Cloud Point of Petroleum Products and Liquid Fuels (Mini Method).

Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to cbp.labhq@dhs.gov. Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories: <http://www.cbp.gov/about/labs-scientific/commercial-gaugers-and-laboratories>.

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