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Announcement of Approval of Standard of American Petroleum Institute

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of approval of American Petroleum Institute (API) Standard 1512, *Petroleum Test Laboratory Accreditation Program*

SUMMARY: The American Petroleum Institute, with the assistance of other interested parties, continues to develop standards, both national and international, in several areas. This notice lists the standardization effort currently being conducted; namely, API Standard 1512, *API Petroleum Test Laboratory Accreditation Program*. The publication of this notice by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) on behalf of API is being undertaken as a public service. NIST does not necessarily endorse, approve, or recommend the standard referenced in this notice.

ADDRESSES: American Petroleum Institute, 1220 L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005-4070.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roland Goodman, American Petroleum Institute, telephone: 202-682-8571, fax: 202-682-8154.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NIST first announced the proposed development of this API voluntary standard and API's

request for public comments in the Federal Register on February 21, 1995 (60 FR 9669-9670).

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 272.

Dated: April 11, 1996.

Samuel Kramer,
Associate Director.

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Patent and Trademark Office

Admittance to Practice and Roster of Registered Patent Attorneys and Agents Admitted to Practice Before the Patent and Trademark Office

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before June 17, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection

instruments(s) and instructions should be directed to Craig R. Feinberg, Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231, (703) 308-5316, extension 10.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Office of Enrollment and Discipline collects information to determine the qualifications of individuals entitled to represent applicants before the Patent and Trademark Office in the preparation and prosecution of applications for a patent, and to administer and maintain the roster of attorneys and agents registered to practice before the Patent and Trademark Office.

II. Method of Collection

By mail, facsimile, and hand carry when the individual desires to participate in the information collection.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0651-0012.

Form Numbers: PTO-107A, PTO-158, PTO-275, and PTO-297.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10,500.

Estimated Time Per Response: 20 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 3,500 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$694,500.

Title of form	Form No.	Est. time for response	Est. annual burden hours	Est. annual responses
Data Sheet	PTO-107A	20 minutes	1,333	4,000
Application for Registration	PTO-158	20 minutes	1,000	3,000
Undertaking Under 37 CFR § 10.10 (b)	PTO-275	20 minutes	167	500
Exam. for Registration— Admission Card	PTO-297	20 minutes	1,000	3,000

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the

use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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

Dated: April 12, 1996.

Linda Engelmeier,
Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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Technology Administration

Interagency Council on Metric Policy; Metric Town Meetings and Workshops

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce and the Interagency Council on Metric Policy will sponsor six regional Metric Town Meetings and Workshops. At each meeting, participants will have the opportunity to hear from local and national experts on the benefits of using the metric system to increase our global competitiveness, commercialize new technologies, and enhance the job skills of America's workforce. Open forum