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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 16 May 2024, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United States of America.

Title: Renewable Energy Modernization Rule

Reason for Addendum:	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Notified measure adopted - date:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Notified measure published - date: 15 May 2024
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Notified measure enters into force - date: 15 July 2024
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Text of final measure available from ¹ : 89 Federal Register (FR) 42602, Title 30 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 585: https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-05-15/html/2024-08791.htm https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-05-15/pdf/2024-08791.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/USA/final_measure/24_03285_00_e.pdf
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Description: The Department of the Interior (the Department or DOI), acting through the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) and the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) ("the agencies"), is finalizing regulatory amendments to its renewable energy regulations under the authority of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (OCSLA). The notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) (notified as [G/TBT/N/USA/1965](#)) for this final rule was published in the Federal Register on 30 January 2023. While the NPRM contemplated amendments only to the Department's existing renewable energy regulations that are administered by BOEM, this final rule also finalizes regulatory amendments previously proposed by BOEM that are now administered by BSEE and includes amendments to regulations resulting from the "[Reorganization of Title 30--Renewable](#)

¹ This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained.

[Energy and Alternative Uses of Existing Facilities on the Outer Continental Shelf](#)" direct final rule, issued by the Department on 31 January 2023. This final rule eliminates unnecessary requirements for the deployment of meteorological (met) buoys; increases survey flexibility; improves the project design and installation verification process; establishes a public Renewable Energy Leasing Schedule; reforms BOEM's renewable energy auction regulations; tailors financial assurance requirements and instruments; clarifies safety management system regulations; revises other provisions; and makes technical corrections. This final rule advances the Department's energy policies in a safe and environmentally sound manner that will provide a fair return to the U.S. taxpayer.

This final rule is effective on 15 July 2024.

[Title 30 Code of Federal Regulations \(CFR\) Part 585](#)

Renewable Energy Modernization Rule; Correction published 3 January 2024 identified by Docket Number [BOEM-2023-0005](#):

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-01-03/html/2023-27019.htm>

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This final rule and previous actions notified under the symbol [G/TBT/N/USA/1965](#) are identified by Docket Number BOEM-2023-0005. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/BOEM-2023-0005/document> and provides access to primary and supporting documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from [Regulations.gov](#) by searching the Docket Number.
