



## NOTIFICATION

### *Addendum*

The following communication, dated 8 April 2015, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United States of America.

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TITLE: Electrical Equipment in Hazardous Locations

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS

ACTION: Final ruleS

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is issuing regulations applicable to newly constructed mobile offshore drilling units (MODUs), floating outer continental shelf (OCS) facilities, and vessels other than offshore supply vessels (OSVs) that engage in OCS activities. The regulations expand the list of acceptable national and international explosion protection standards and add the internationally accepted independent third-party certification system, the International Electrotechnical Commission System for Certification to Standards relating to Equipment for use in Explosive Atmospheres (IECEx), as an accepted method of testing and certifying electrical equipment intended for use in hazardous locations. The regulations also provide owners and operators of existing U.S. MODUs, floating OCS facilities, vessels other than OSVs, and U.S. tank vessels that carry flammable or combustible cargoes, the option of following this compliance regime as an alternative to the requirements contained in existing regulations.

DATES: This final rule is effective 30 April 2015.

The Director of the Federal Register has approved the incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in this rule, effective 30 April 2015.

URLs:

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-03-31/html/2015-06946.htm>

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