

at the Boot Hill Education Center of Southeast Missouri State University located at 700 North Douglas Street in Malden, Missouri.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bob Quigel, Engineering and Environmental Staff, Rural Utility Service, Stop 1571, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-1571, telephone (202) 720-1784.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., proposes to construct the plant at one of three potential sites. These sites are in the Missouri counties of Butler, Dunklin, and Stoddard. The site in Butler County is located on State Highway 53 just north of Fagus, the site in Dunklin County is located just west of Glennonville on the east side of the St. Francis River, and the site in Stoddard County is located west of Idalia on County Road E.

The plant will incorporate an advanced technology Siemens combustion turbine which is considered one of the most efficient unit of its type on the market. The primary fuel for the plant will be natural gas with low sulfur fuel oil to be used as a backup fuel. The plant will include the construction of gas and steam turbines, heat recovery stream generator, cooling towers, water treatment facilities, electrical switchyard, and a fuel oil storage tank.

Alternatives considered by RUS and Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., to constructing the generation facility proposed include: (a) No action, (b) purchase of power, (c) load management and conservation, and (d) constructing a simple cycle combustion plant.

To be presented at the public scoping meeting will be a siting and alternatives study prepared by Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. The siting and alternatives study is available for public review at RUS at the address provided in this notice or at Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., 2814 South Golden, Springfield, Missouri, phone (417) 881-1204. This document will also be available at the following libraries:

City of Sikeston Library, 221 North Kingshighway, Sikeston, MO 63801, (573) 471-4140

Dexter Public Library, 34 South Elm, Dexter, MO 63841, (573) 624-3764

Dunklin County Public Library, 226 North Main Street, Kennett, MO 63857 (573) 888-3561

New Madrid Memorial Library, 431 Mill Street, New Madrid, MO 63869, (573) 748-2378

Poplar Bluff Public Library, 318 North Main Street, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901, (573) 686-8639

Piggot Public Library, 361 West Main Street, Piggot, Arkansas 72454, (501) 598-3666

Government agencies, private organizations, and the public are invited to participate in the planning and analysis of the proposed project.

Representatives from RUS, Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., and Burns and McDonnell will be available at the scoping meeting to discuss RUS's environmental review process, describe the project and alternatives under consideration, discuss the scope of environmental issues to be considered, answer questions, and accept oral and written comments. Written comments will be accepted for at least 30 days after the public scoping meeting. Written comments should be sent to RUS at the address provided in this notice.

From information provided in the siting and alternatives study, input that may be provided by government agencies, private organizations, and the public, Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., and Burns and McDonnell will prepare an environmental analysis to be submitted to RUS for review. If significant impacts are not evident based on a review of the environmental analysis and other relevant information, RUS will prepare an environmental assessment to determine if the preparation of an EIS is warranted.

Should RUS determine that the preparation of an EIS is not warranted, it will prepare a finding of no significant impact (FONSI). The FONSI will be made available for public review and comment for 30 days. Public notification of a FONSI would be published in the Federal Register and in newspapers with a circulation in the project area displaying this notice. RUS will not take its final action related to the project prior to the expiration of the 30-day period.

Any final action by RUS related to the proposed project will be subject to, and contingent upon, compliance with all relevant Federal environmental laws and regulations and completion of environmental procedures as prescribed by CEQ and RUS environmental policies and procedures.

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Adam M. Golodner,

*Deputy Administrator—Program Operations.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

#### North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews: Notice of Withdrawal of Panel Request

**AGENCY:** NAFTA Secretariat, United States Section, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of withdrawal of panel request.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of the Withdrawal of the Request for Panel Review of the final results of the 6th Antidumping Duty Administration Review (December 1, 1991–November 30, 1992) respecting Porcelain-On-Steel Cooking Ware From Mexico (Secretariat File No. USA-96-1904-01). As of December 5, 1996, no Complaints were filed pursuant to Rule 39 of the *Rules of Procedure for Article 1904 Binational Panel Review*, no Notices of Appearance were filed pursuant to Rule 40 and no panel has been appointed. Therefore, there are no "participants" in this review as defined in Rule 3, and this panel review is hereby terminated.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** James R. Holbein, United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat, Suite 2061, 14th and Constitution Avenue, Washington, DC 20230, (202) 482-5438.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Chapter 19 of the North American Free Trade Agreement ("Agreement") establishes a mechanism to replace domestic judicial review of final determinations in antidumping and countervailing duty cases involving imports from a NAFTA country with review by independent binational panels. When a Request for Panel Review is filed, a panel is established to act in place of national courts to review expeditiously the final determination to determine whether it conforms with the antidumping or countervailing duty law of the country that made the determination.

Under Article 1904 of the Agreement, which came into force on January 1, 1994, the Government of the United States, the Government of Canada and the Government of Mexico established *Rules of Procedure for Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews* ("Rules"). These Rules were published in the Federal Register on February 23, 1994 (59 FR 8686).

Dated: December 11, 1996.

James R. Holbein,

*United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat.*

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