

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 and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: February 18, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

Department Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

[FR Doc. 97-4397 Filed 2-21-97; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3510-DS-P

Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (ETTAC) Meeting

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (ETTAC) will hold its eighth plenary meeting. The ETTAC was created on May 31, 1994, to promote a close working-relationship between government and industry and to expand export growth in priority and emerging markets for environmental products and services.

DATES AND PLACE: February 27, 1997 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The meeting will take place in Room 3407 of the Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington D.C. 20230.

The agenda will include a discussion of ETTAC recommendations that were presented to the Secretary of Commerce in October, 1996; future steps for the ETTAC; and the current status of ETTAC memberships.

This program is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Amy Bellanca, Department of Commerce, Room 1002, Washington D.C. 20230. Seating is limited and will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Office of Environmental Technologies Exports, Room 1003, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230, phone (202) 482-5225, facsimile (202) 482-5665 TDD 1-800-833-8723.

Dated: February 10, 1997.

Eric Fredell,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Environmental Technologies Exports.

[FR Doc. 97-4396 Filed 2-21-97; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3510-DR-P

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Notice of Solicitation for Sea Grant Review Panelists

SUMMARY: This notice responds to Section 209(c) of the National Sea Grant College Program Act, 33 U.S.C. 1128, which requires the Secretary of Commerce to solicit nominations for membership on the Sea Grant Review Panel at least once a year. This advisory committee provides advice on the implementation of the National Sea Grant College Program.

DATES: Resumes should be sent to the address specified and must be received by March 26, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Dr. Ronald C. Baird, Director, National Sea Grant College Program, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 11716, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Ronald Baird of the National Sea Grant College Program at the address given above; telephone (301) 713-2448, or fax number (301) 713-0799.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 209 of the Act establishes a sea grant review panel to advise the Secretary of Commerce, the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere, and the Director of the National Sea Grant College Program on the implementation of the Sea Grant Program. The panel provides advice of such matters as:

- (a) The Sea Grant Fellowship Program;
- (b) Applications or proposals for, and performance under, grants and contracts awarded under section 205 and section 208 of the Sea Grant Program Improvement Act of 1976;
- (c) The designation and operation of sea grant colleges and sea grant regional consortia; and the operation of the sea grant program;
- (d) the formulation and application of the planning guidelines and priorities under section 204(a) and (1); and,
- (e) Such other matters as the Secretary refers to the panel for review and advice.

The Panel is to consist of 15 voting members composed as follows: Not less than eight of the voting members of the panel should be individuals who, by reason of knowledge, experience, or

training, are especially qualified in one or more of the disciplines and fields included in marine science. The other voting members shall be individuals who by reason of knowledge, experience, or training, are especially qualified in, or representative of, education, extension service, state government, industry, economics, planning, or any other activity which is appropriate to, and important for, any effort to enhance the understanding, assessment, development, utilization, or conservation of ocean and coastal resources. No individual is eligible to be a voting member of the panel if the individual is (a) the director of a sea grant college, sea grant regional consortium, or sea grant program, (b) an applicant for or beneficiary (as determined by the Secretary) of any grant or contract under Section 205 or (c) a full-time officer or employee of the United States. The Director of the National Sea Grant College Program and one Director of a Sea Grant Program also serve as non-voting members. The positions on the panel will become vacant during 1997. Candidates who are selected to fill these vacancies will be appointed for a 3-year term.

Dated: February 18, 1997.

Alan R. Thomas,

Acting Assistant Administrator for Oceanic and Atmospheric Research.

[FR Doc. 97-4429 Filed 2-21-97; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3510-12-P

National Technical Information Service

NTIS Advisory Board Meeting

AGENCY: National Technical Information Service, Technology Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of partially closed meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that the National Technical Information Service Advisory Board (the "Board") will meet on Tuesday, March 18, 1997, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and on Wednesday, March 19, 1997, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The session on Wednesday, March 19, 1997, will be closed to the Public.

The Board was established under the authority of 15 U.S.C. 3704(c), and was Chartered on September 15, 1989. The Board is composed of five members appointed by the Secretary of Commerce who are eminent in such fields as information resources management, information technology, and library and information services. The purpose of the meeting is to review and make

recommendations regarding general policies and operations of NTIS, including policies in connection with fees and charges for its services. The agenda will include a progress report on NTIS activities, an update on the progress of FedWorld, and a discussion of NTIS' long range plans. The closed session discussion is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 4:00 p.m. on March 19, 1997. The session will be closed because premature disclosure of the information to be discussed would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of NTIS' business plans.

DATES: The meeting will convene on March 18, 1997, at 9:00 a.m. and adjourn at 4:00 p.m. and convene again on March 19, 1997, at 9:00 a.m. and adjourn at 4:00 p.m.

ADDRESS: The meeting will be held in Room 2029 Sills Building, National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Virginia 22161.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: The meeting will be open to public participation on March 18, 1997, and closed on March 19, 1997. Approximately thirty minutes will be set aside on March 18, 1997, for comments or questions from the public. Seats will be available for the public and for the media on a first-come, first-served basis. Any member of the public may submit written comments concerning the Board's affairs at any time. Copies of the minutes of the open session meeting will be available within thirty days of the meeting from the address given below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Linda Lucas, NTIS Advisory Board Secretary, National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Virginia 22161. Telephone: (703) 487-4636; Fax (703) 487-4093.

Dated: February 19, 1997.
Donald R. Johnson,
Director.
[FR Doc. 97-4430 Filed 2-21-97; 8:45 am]
BILLING CODE 3510-04-M

COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Increase of a Guaranteed Access Level for Certain Wool Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Honduras

February 18, 1997.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs increasing a guaranteed access level.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 24, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Aldrich, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of this level, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port or call (202) 927-6703. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Uruguay Round Agreements Act.

On the request of the Government of Honduras, the U.S. Government agreed to increase the 1996 guaranteed access level for Category 435.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the **CORRELATION:** Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see Federal Register notice 61 FR 66263, published on December 17, 1996). Also see 61 FR 38237, published on July 23, 1996.

The letter to the Commissioner of Customs and the actions taken pursuant to it are not designed to implement all of the provisions of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing, but are designed to assist only in the implementation of certain of their provisions.

Troy H. Cribb,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.
Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements
February 18, 1997.
Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on July 18, 1996, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in Honduras and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 1996 and extending through December 31, 1996.

Effective on February 24, 1997, you are directed to increase the guaranteed access level for Category 435 to 50,000 dozen.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this

action falls within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,
Troy H. Cribb,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.
[FR Doc. 97-4448 Filed 2-21-97; 8:45 am]
BILLING CODE 3510-DR-F

DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. § 552b), notice is hereby given of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board's (Board) meeting described below.

Time and Date: 9:00 a.m., March 19, 1997.

Place: The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, Public Hearing Room, 625 Indiana Avenue, NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20004.

Matters to be Considered: The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board will reconvene and continue the open meeting conducted on February 5, 1997, regarding the status of DOE's Implementation Plan for Board Recommendation 95-2, Integrated Safety Management. Specifically, the Board will be given status reports by DOE relative to the Department's efforts to improve the technical expertise necessary to review and implement safety management systems, including establishment of a Core Technical group, and the development of guidance for implementation of the Safety Management System.

Contact Person for More Information: Robert M. Andersen, General Counsel, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, 625 Indiana Avenue, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20004, (800) 788-4016. This is a toll-free number.

Supplementary Information: The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board reserves its right to further schedule and otherwise regulate the course of this meeting, to recess, reconvene, postpone or adjourn the meeting, and otherwise exercise its authority under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

Dated: February 20, 1997.
John T. Conway,
Chairman.
[FR Doc. 97-4570 Filed 2-20-97; 10:38 am]
BILLING CODE 3670-01-M

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of proposed information collection requests.