

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463 as amended by P.L. 94-409, P.L. 96-523, and P.L. 97-375), we are giving notice of a joint meeting followed by separate and concurrently held meetings of the Census Advisory Committee (CAC) on the African American Population, the CAC on the American Indian and Alaska Native Populations, the CAC on the Asian and Pacific Islander Populations, and the CAC on the Hispanic Population.

Each of the Committees is composed of nine members appointed by the Secretary of Commerce. They provide an organized and continuing channel of communication between the communities they represent and the Bureau of the Census on its efforts to reduce the differential in the population totals from Census 2000 and on ways that decennial census data can be disseminated to maximize their usefulness to these communities and other users.

The Committees will draw on past experience with the 1990 census process and procedures, results of evaluations and research studies, and the expertise and insight of their members to provide advice and recommendations during the research and development, design, planning, and implementation phases of Census 2000.

**DATES:** The joint meeting will convene on June 4-5, 1998. The June 4 meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 5 p.m.; the June 5 meeting will begin at 8:45 a.m. and end at 4:45 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will take place at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, 625 First Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Anyone wishing additional information about this meeting, or who wishes to submit written statements or questions, may contact Maxine Anderson-Brown, Committee Liaison Officer, Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Room 1649, Federal Building 3, Washington, DC 20233, telephone 301-457-2308, TDD 301-457-2540.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The agenda for the June 4 combined meeting, which will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 5 p.m., will include: (1) introductory remarks and update; (2) updates on Dress Rehearsal operations and activities and on Census 2000; (3)

observation reports on the Dress Rehearsal; and (4) advertising strategy for the Dress Rehearsal.

The four committees will meet separately and concurrently from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. The Joint Committee meeting will break for the concurrent meetings. The following are the June 4 agendas for the four committees.

The agenda for the CAC on the African American Population will include: (1) the election of the chair-elect; (2) the review of Committee recommendations and responses; (3) an update on constituency-building; (4) the census information centers reengineered; and (5) a review of topics for next day discussions.

The agenda for the CAC on the American Indian and Alaska Native Populations will include: (1) The review of Committee recommendations and responses; (2) the coding of American Indian Tribes; (3) statistical methodology issues; (4) an update on constituency-building; (5) a status report of state-recognized tribes; (6) the census information centers reengineered; (7) an update on census operations relating to American Indian and Alaska Natives areas; and (8) a review of topics for next day discussions.

The agenda for the CAC on the Asian and Pacific Islander Populations will include: (1) The election of chair-elect; (2) the review of Committee recommendations and responses; (3) an update on Hawaiian homelands; (4) a status report on the hiring of partnership specialists; (5) the census information centers reengineered; and (6) a review of topics for next day discussions.

The agenda for the CAC on the Hispanic Population will include: (1) the election of the chair-elect; (2) a review of Committee recommendations and responses; (3) an update on constituency-building; (4) the census information centers reengineered; and (5) a review of topics for next day discussions.

The agenda for the June 5 combined meeting, which will begin at 8:45 a.m. and end at 4:45 p.m., includes: (1) Sampling and estimation in the Dress Rehearsal and in Census 2000; (2) how do we evaluate the Dress Rehearsal and Census 2000?; (3) recruitment and hiring procedures for field operations;

(4) topic sessions on reengineered address list operation and on plans for Census 2000 data products; (5) how do we get the communities involved in Census 2000?; (6) an Advisory Committee conversation; (7) Committee recommendations; and, (8) public comment.

On June 5, the four committees will meet separately and concurrently from 11:45 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. The Joint Committee will break for these concurrent meetings. Each of the four Committees (African American Population, American Indian and Alaska Native Populations, Asian and Pacific Islander Populations, and Hispanic Population) will address draft recommendations.

All meetings are open to the public, and a brief period is set aside on June 5 during the closing session for public comment and questions. Individuals with extensive questions or statements must submit them in writing to the Census Bureau Committee Liaison Officer at least three days before the meeting.

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Census Bureau Committee Liaison Officer.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**Economic Development Administration**

**Notice of Petitions by Producing Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance**

**AGENCY:** Economic Development Administration (EDA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** To give firms an opportunity to comment.

Petitions have been accepted for filing on the dates indicated from the firms listed below.

**LIST OF PETITION ACTION BY TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE FOR PERIOD 04/10/98-5/15/98**

Firm name	Address	Date petition accepted	Product
Shepard Clothing Company, Inc. ....	800 Acushnet Avenue, New Benford, MA 02741.	04/14/98	Mens and boys suits, jackets and blazers.

LIST OF PETITION ACTION BY TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE FOR PERIOD 04/10/98-5/15/98—Continued

Firm name	Address	Date petition accepted	Product
Louisiana Royal Seafood, Inc. ....	1031 Frank Wyatt, Breaux Bridge, LA 70517.	04/14/98	Processed crab meat and boiled crabs.
F.E. Hale Manufacturing Company ....	650 West German Street, Herkimer, NY 13350.	04/14/98	Wooden bookcases made of birch, oak and walnut.
A & J Industries, Inc. ....	213 North Sunnyslane, Moore, OK 73153.	04/14/98	Printed circuit boards.
Aggregate Machinery, Inc. dba Thunderbird II ....	3575 Blossom Drive NE, Salem, OR 97305.	04/16/98	Portable crushers, sorters and screeners, and conveyors.
Contech Manufacturing, Inc. ....	3400 NE Robson Road, Claremore, OK 74017.	04/21/98	Parts for submersible pumps, chisels, wedges, metal carts, and shovels.
NOA Medical Industries, Inc. ....	801 Terry Land, Washington, MO 63090.	05/01/98	Hospital/nursing home beds and tables.
ULU Factory, Inc. (The) ....	298 East Ship Creek Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501.	05/01/98	Stainless steel alloy knives, silver and gold jewelry, knife handles, sharpeners and wood cutting blocks.
Westin-Nielsen Corporation ....	4301 White Bear Parkway, St. Paul, MN 55110.	05/01/98	Upholstered chairs with wood frames and swivel chairs with internal wood frame.
Jefferson Mills, Inc. ....	P.O. Box 698, Pulaski, VA 24301.	05/01/98	Textured nylon and polyester yarn.
G.A. Braun, Inc. ....	461 E. Brighton Avenue, Syracuse, NY 13205.	05/04/98	Commercial industrial laundry equipment and textile dyeing equipment.
Tech Laboratories, Inc. ....	955 Belmont Avenue, Haledon, NJ 07508.	05/05/98	Rotary switches, single and three phase transformers, printed circuit boards.
Tridan Tool & Machine, Inc. ....	130 North Jackson, Danville, IL 61834.	05/05/98	Machinery for bending and forming air conditioning coils and parts for that machinery.
Virginia Plastics Company, Inc. ....	1701 Midland Road, Salem, VA 24153.	05/06/98	Insulated conducting cable, cable assemblies (cordsets) and printed circuit connectors.
Desert Glass Works, Inc. ....	2801 North El Paso Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80907.	05/07/98	Machines and parts for semiconductor devices—quartzware tanks, carriers and furnace parts.
Millennium Food Technologies, L.C. ....	701 North 15th Street, Suite 500, St. Louis, MO 63103.	05/12/98	Confections, condiments, snackfoods and personal care items (body washes, shampoos and oils).
Gastineau Log Homes, Inc. ....	10423 Old Highway 54, New Bloomfield, MO 65063.	05/12/98	Red oak logs and log home kits.
Hofmann & Leavy, Inc. ....	3251 Southwest 13th Drive, Deerfield Beach, FL 33442.	05/12/98	Ornamental trimmings—tassles, pompoms and similar articles of cotton or man made fibers.

The petitions were submitted pursuant to Section 251 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2341). Consequently, the United States Department of Commerce has initiated separate investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each firm contributed importantly to total or partial separation of the firm's workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in

sales or production of each petitioning firm.

Any party having a substantial interest in the proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A request for a hearing must be received by Trade Adjustment Assistance, Room 7315, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, no later than the close of business of the tenth calendar day following the publication of this notice.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official program number and title of the program under which these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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