

be followed by an open house. Washoe County and BLM staff will be available during the open house to answer questions and take comments.

DATES: The comment period announced in 63 FR 36937, July 8, 1998, is being extended through November 30, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the Carson City Field Office Manager, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, Nevada 89701.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Terri Knutson, BLM Carson City Office, 702-885-6156 or Bill Whitney, Washoe County, 702-328-3617.

Karl Kipping,

Acting Manager, Carson City Field Office.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation 332-397]

Database on Trade and Investment in Services

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Institution of investigation.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 24, 1998.

SUMMARY: Following receipt of a request dated July 21, 1998, from the United States Trade Representative (USTR), the Commission instituted investigation No. 332-397, Database on Trade and Investment in Services, under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332(g)).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Information specific to this investigation may be obtained from Mr. Richard Brown, Office of Industries (202-205-3438) or Ms. Tsedale Assefa, Office of Industries (202-205-2374). For information on the legal aspects of this investigation, contact Mr. William Gearhart of the Office of the General Counsel (202-205-3091). The media should contact Ms. Margaret O'Laughlin, Office of External Relations (202-205-1819). Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the TDD terminal on (202-205-1810). General information concerning the Commission may be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>).

BACKGROUND: As noted in the USTR's request, Article 19 of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) requires World Trade Organization (WTO) members to enter into successive negotiations beginning not later than

January 1, 2000, with a view to achieving progressively higher levels of liberalization in services trade and investment. In preparing for such negotiations, the USTR has asked the Commission to develop a database that provides up-to-date information on service markets in other WTO member countries. As requested by the USTR, the Commission, pursuant to section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930, instituted an investigation for the purpose of developing a database of information on trade and investment in 62 foreign service markets. The Commission will develop a database that provides, to the extent possible, the following information with respect to eleven service industries:

- (1) Current market access and national treatment restrictions that apply to foreign service providers;
- (2) Liberalization and deregulation that has taken place since 1995;
- (3) Contemplated services liberalization or deregulation; and
- (4) Preferences extended to third-country trading partners.

The industries of interest to USTR include distribution services (defined as wholesaling, retailing, and franchising), telecommunication services, express delivery services, entertainment technology services, foreign legal consultancy services, accounting services, architectural services, engineering services, construction services, energy services (defined as mining, oil, gas, and electricity), and environmental services. The Commission will also seek to provide this information with respect to temporary entry and stay of service providers. In addition, the Commission will attempt to identify common approaches, if any, to the deregulation and liberalization of service markets among WTO members, and best prospects for services trade liberalization during the impending WTO negotiations.

The USTR requested that the Commission provide a preliminary version of the database no later than October 30, 1998, and the finalized database by April 30, 1999. USTR indicated that the database will be confidential for a period of 10 years. USTR also noted that it considers the Commission's database to be an interagency memorandum that will contain predecisional advice and be subject to the deliberative process privilege.

Issued: August 24, 1998.

By order of the Commission.

Donna R. Koehnke,
Secretary.

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JUDICIAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES

Meeting of the Judicial Conference Advisory Committee on Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure

AGENCY: Judicial Conference of the United States; Advisory Committee on Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Advisory Committee on Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure will hold a two-day meeting. The meeting will be open to public observation but not participation and will be held each day from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

DATES: October 8-9, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Ramada Rolling Green Inn & Conference Center, 311 Lowell Street, Andover, Massachusetts.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John K. Rabiej, Chief, Rules Committee Support Office, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, Washington, D.C. 20544, telephone (202) 273-1820.

Dated: August 24, 1998.

John K. Rabiej,

Chief, Rules Committee Support Office.

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JUDICIAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES

Meeting of the Judicial Conference Advisory Committee on Rules of Appellate Procedure

AGENCY: Judicial Conference of the United States; Advisory Committee on Rules of Appellate Procedure.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Advisory Committee on Rules of Appellate Procedure will hold a two-day meeting. The meeting will be open to public observation but not participation and will be held each day from 8:30 to 5:00 p.m.

DATES: October 15-16, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Le Meridien Hotel, 614 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John K. Rabiej, Chief, Rules Committee Support Office, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, Washington, DC 20544, telephone (202) 273-1820.