

1999, in accordance with section 751(c)(5)(B) of the Act. The final results of this review will, therefore, be due not later than August 27, 1999.

Dated: January 15, 1999.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Federal Consistency Appeal by Jessie W. Taylor From an Objection by South Carolina

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of decision.

On December 28, 1998, the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) issued a decision in the consistency appeal of Mr. Jessie W. Taylor (Appellant). The Appellant had applied to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) for a permit to fill wetlands to construct a commercial business on the property. In conjunction with the Federal permit application, the Appellant submitted to the Corps a certification that the proposed activity is consistent with the State's federally approved Coastal Management Program (CMP). The State of South Carolina's coastal management agency reviewed the certification pursuant to section 307(c)(3)(A) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended (CZMA) 16 U.S.C. 1456(c)(3)(A).

On March 11, 1996, the State objected to the Appellant's consistency certification for the proposed project on the ground that the proposed project is not consistent with the enforceable policies contained in the State's coastal management program. Under CZMA section 307(c)(3)(A) and 15 CFR 930.131, the State's consistency objection precludes the Corps from issuing a permit for the activity unless the Secretary finds that the activity is either consistent with the objectives or purposes of the CZMA (Ground I) or necessary in the interest of national security (Ground II). The Appellant based his appeal on Ground I.

Upon consideration of the information submitted by the Appellant, the State and interested Federal agencies, the Secretary made the following findings pursuant to 15 CFR 930.121: First, the proposed project

further one or more of the competing national objectives or purposes of the CZMA by minimally contributing to the national interest in economic development of the coastal zone. Second, the proposed project, including the Appellant's mitigation measure, will have minimal individual and cumulative adverse effects on coastal wetlands. These minimal adverse coastal effects based on this record are not substantial enough to outweigh the activity's minimal contribution to the national interest in economic development of the coastal zone. Third, the proposed activity will not violate the requirements of the Clean Water Act or the Clean Air Act. Fourth, there is no reasonable alternative available to the Appellant that would permit the activity to be conducted in a manner consistent with the State's coastal management program. Accordingly, the proposed project is consistent with the objectives or purposes of the CZMA. Because the Appellant's proposed project satisfied all of the requirements of Ground I, the Secretary overrode the State's objection to the Appellant's consistency certification. Consequently, the proposed project may be permitted by Federal agencies. Copies of the decision may be obtained from the contact person listed below.

Karl Gleaves, Assistant General Counsel for Ocean Services, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), U.S. Department of Commerce, 1305 East-West Highway, Room 6111, Silver Spring, MD 20910, (301) 713-2967.

Dated: January 12, 1999.

Monica Medina,

General Counsel.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

New Export Visa Stamp for Certain Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the Republic of Maldives

January 19, 1999.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs providing for the use of a new export visa stamp.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 27, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ross Arnold, International Trade Specialist,

Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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

Effective on January 27, 1999, a new export visa stamp will be required for shipments of textile products, produced or manufactured in Maldives and exported from Maldives on or after December 10, 1998. The new stamp reflects the name change of "CUSTOMS MALDIVES" to "MALDIVES CUSTOMS SERVICE" but is otherwise unchanged. There will be a grace period from December 10, 1998 through February 28, 1999, during which products exported from Maldives may be accompanied by either the old or new export visa stamp. Products exported from Maldives on or after March 1, 1999 must be accompanied by the new export visa stamp.

A facsimile of the new visa stamp is on file at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., room 3104, Washington, DC.

See 47 FR 36879, published on August 24, 1982.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

January 19, 1999.

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 August 18, 1982, as amended, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive directed you to prohibit entry of certain cotton, wool and man-made fiber apparel, produced or manufactured in Maldives for which the Government of the Republic of Maldives has not issued an appropriate export visa.

Effective on January 27, 1999, you are directed to amend further the directive dated August 18, 1982 to provide for the use of a new export visa stamp issued by the Government of the Republic of Maldives to accompany shipments of textile products, produced or manufactured in Maldives and exported from Maldives on or after December 10, 1998. This new visa stamp reflects the name change of "CUSTOMS MALDIVES" to "MALDIVES CUSTOMS SERVICE" but is otherwise unchanged.

Textile products exported from Maldives during the period December 10, 1998 through February 28, 1999 may be accompanied by either the old or new export visa stamp. Products exported from Maldives on or after

March 1, 1999 must be accompanied by the new export visa stamp.

A facsimile of the new visa stamp is enclosed with this letter.

Shipments entered or withdrawn from warehouse according to this directive which are not accompanied by an appropriate export visa shall be denied entry and a new visa must be obtained.

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,

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Applications of the Cantor Financial Futures Exchange, Inc. for Designation as a Contract Market in Flexible Coupon U.S. Treasury Bond and 10-Year, 5-Year and 2-Year U.S. Treasury Note Futures

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed terms and conditions for applications for contract market designation.

SUMMARY: The Cantor Financial Futures Exchange, Inc. (CFFE or Exchange) has applied for designation as a contract market in flexible coupon U.S. Treasury bond and flexible coupon 10-year, 5-year and 2-year U.S. Treasury note futures. The proposals were submitted under the Commission's 45-day Fast Track procedures. The Acting Director of the Division of Economic Analysis (Division) of the Commission, acting pursuant to the authority delegated by Commission Regulation 140.96, has determined that publication of the proposals for comment is in the public interest, will assist the Commission in considering the views of interested persons, and is consistent with the purpose of the Commodity Exchange Act.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 9, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit their views and comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW Washington, DC 20581. In addition, comments may be sent by facsimile transmission to facsimile number (202) 418-5521, or by electronic mail to

secretary@cftc.gov. Reference should be made to the CFFE flexible coupon U.S. Treasury bond and 10-year, 5-year and 2-year U.S. treasury note futures contracts.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Please contact Thomas Leahy of the Division of Economic Analysis, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581, telephone (202) 418-5278. Facsimile number: (202) 418-5527. Electronic mail: tleahy@cftc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed designation applications were submitted pursuant to the Commission's Fast Track procedures for streamlining the review of futures contract rule amendments and new contract approvals (62 FR 10434). Under those procedures, the proposals, absent any contrary action by the Commission, may be deemed approved at the close of business on March 1, 1999, 45 days after receipt of the proposals. In view of the limited review period provided under the Fast Track procedures, the Commission has determined to publish for public comment notice of the availability of the terms and conditions for 15 days, rather than 30 days as provided for proposals submitted under the regular review procedures.

Copies of the proposed terms and conditions will be available for inspection at the Office of the Secretariat, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581. Copies can be obtained through the Office of the Secretariat by mail at the above address, by phone at (202) 418-5100, or via the internet on the CFTC website at 222.cftc.gov under "What's New & Pending".

Other materials submitted by the CFFE in support of the proposals may be available upon request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and the Commission's regulations thereunder (17 CFR part 145 (1997)), except to the extent they are entitled to confidential treatment as set forth in 17 CFR 145.5 and 145.9. Requests for copies of such materials should be made to the FOI, Privacy and Sunshine Act Compliance Staff of the Office of Secretariat at the Commission's headquarters in accordance with 17 CFR 145.7 and 145.8.

Any person interested in submitting written data, views, or arguments on the proposals, or with respect to other materials submitted by the CFFE, should send other comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette

Centre, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581 by the specified date.

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 19, 1999.

John R. Mielke,

Acting Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Partnership Council Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) announces a meeting of the Defense Partnership Council. Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This meeting is open to the public. The topics to be covered will include a discussion of an initiative to examine labor relations training, and labor-management partnership affecting the Department's civilian workforce and other topics related to the enhancement of Labor-Management partnerships throughout DoD.

DATES: The meeting is to be held February 23, 1999, in room 1E801, Conference Room 7, the Pentagon, from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. Comments should be received by February 16, 1999, in order to be considered at the February 23 meeting.

ADDRESSES: We invite interested persons and organizations to submit written comments or recommendations. Mail or deliver your comments or recommendations to Mr. Kenneth Oprisko at the address show below. Seating is limited and available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Individuals wishing to attend who do not possess an appropriate Pentagon building pass should call the below listed telephone number to obtain instructions for entry into the Pentagon. Handicapped individuals wishing to attend should also call the below listed telephone number to obtain appropriate accommodations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Kenneth Oprisko, Chief, Labor Relations Branch, Field Advisory Services Division, Defense Civilian Personnel Management Service, 1400 Key Blvd., Suite B-200, Arlington, VA 22209-5144, (703) 696-6301, ext. 704.