

official services under the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act).

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 1, 1999.

ADDRESSES: USDA, GIPSA, Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, STOP 3604, Room 1647-S, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-3604.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet M. Hart, at 202-720-8525.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the December 21, 1998, **Federal Register** (63 FR 70386), GIPSA asked persons interested in providing official services in the Northeast Indiana area to submit an application for designation. Applications were due by January 15, 1999. Northeast Indiana, the only applicant, applied for designation to provide official services in the entire Northeast Indiana area.

GIPSA evaluated all available information regarding the designation criteria in Section 7(f)(l)(A) of the Act and, according to Section 7(f)(l)(B), determined that Northeast Indiana is able to provide official services in the Northeast Indiana geographic area.

Effective February 1, 1999, and ending January 31, 2002, Northeast Indiana is designated to provide official services in the geographic area specified in the December 21, 1998, **Federal Register**.

Interested persons may obtain official services by contacting Northeast Indiana at 219-639-6390.

Authority: Pub. L. 94-582, 90 Stat. 2867, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*).

Dated: January 22, 1999.

Neil E. Porter,

Director, Compliance Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Alabama Electric Cooperative, Inc.; Notice of Intent

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to Hold Scoping Meeting and Prepare an Environmental Assessment and/or Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Rural Utilities Service (RUS), pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations for Implementing NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), and RUS Environmental Policies and Procedures

(7 CFR part 1794), proposes to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EI) and/or an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for its Federal action related to a proposal by Alabama Electric Cooperative, Inc., to construct and operate a 250 to 500 megawatt (MW) combined cycle electric generating plant in south Alabama.

MEETING INFORMATION: RUS will conduct a scoping meeting in an open house forum on Monday, February 15, 1999, at the Jackson City Hall, 400 Commerce Street, Jackson, Alabama from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. for the Washington County site. A similar meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 16, 1999, at Alabama Electric Cooperative's Boardroom, Highway 29 North, Andalusia, Alabama, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. for the Covington and Escambia County sites.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bob Quigel, Engineering and Environmental Staff, Rural Utilities Service, Stop 1571, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-1571, telephone (202) 720-0468. The E-mail address is bquigel@rus.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Alabama Electric Cooperative, Inc., proposes to construct the plant at one of three potential sites. These sites are the Damascus site in Escambia County, Alabama, along Highway 29 South in Township 2 North, Range 13 East, Section 6, the Lowman site in Washington County, Alabama, just off U.S. Highway 43 in Township 6 North, Range 1 East, Section 24, and at Alabama Electric Cooperative's existing McWilliams Plant located in Covington County, Alabama, along Highway 29 North in Township 5 North, Range 16 East, Section 17.

The project as proposed would consist of a 250 to 500 MW gas-fired combined cycle plant. The plant may be designed to use No. 2 diesel as a backup fuel for periods when natural gas may be in short supply. The plant will require air and water quality permits from the Alabama Department of Environmental Management. Plant water will be drawn from and released to the Conecuh River if either the Covington or Escambia County sites are selected, and from the Tombigbee River if the Washington County site is selected. Air impacts are anticipated to be minimal because the plant will utilize clean fuels and will be designed in accordance with Best Available Control Technology. The plant will require a site of 40 acres or more in size. The specific plant layout will be designed to avoid significant impact to threatened or endangered species, cultural resources, wetlands or other

areas considered to be environmentally unique or sensitive.

Locating the project at the Damascus site would require construction of a 34-mile, 12-20 inch gas pipeline and 18 miles of double circuit 230 kV transmission line. Locating the project at the Lowman site would require the construction of a 32-mile, 12-20 inch gas pipeline and 1 mile each of double circuit 230 kV transmission line and single circuit 230 kV transmission line. Locating the plant at the McWilliams Plant would require the construction of a 69-mile, 10-12 inch gas pipeline, 1 mile of double circuit 230 kV transmission line and 17 miles of single circuit 230 kV transmission line.

Alternatives considered by RUS and Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., to constructing the generation facility proposed include: (a) no action, (b) power purchases, (c) coal fired technology, (d) alternative technology such as solar, wind, and biomass, and (e) non-generation alternatives such as conservation, interruptible loads, and load management.

Alabama Electric Cooperative, Inc., has developed a siting study/alternative evaluation which is available for public review at RUS at the address provided in this notice or at Alabama Electric Cooperative, Inc., Highway 29 North, Andalusia, Alabama. This document will also be available at the Andalusia Public Library on South Three Notch Street in Andalusia, Alabama, and at the White Smith Memorial Library at 213 College Ave. in Jackson, Alabama.

Government agencies, private organizations, and the public are invited to participate in the planning and analysis of the proposed project. Representatives from RUS and Alabama Electric Cooperative, Inc., will be available at both scoping meetings to discuss RUS' 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 meetings. Written comments should be sent to RUS at the address provided in this notice.

From information provided in the siting study/alternative evaluation, input that may be provided by government agencies, private organizations, and the public, Alabama Electric Cooperative, Inc., will prepare an environmental analysis to be submitted to RUS for review. If RUS finds the environmental analysis acceptable, it will serve as RUS' environmental assessment of the

project. 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. 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 environmental review requirements as prescribed by CEQ and RUS environmental policies and procedures.

Dated: January 22, 1999.

Lawrence R. Wolfe,

Acting Director, Engineering and Environmental Staff.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List Additions and Deletions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Additions to and Deletions from the Procurement List.

SUMMARY: This action adds to the Procurement List services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and deletes from the Procurement List services previously furnished by such agencies.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Gateway 3, Suite 310, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-4302.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman (703) 603-7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 9, November 30, December 11 and 18, 1998, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notices (63 F.R. 54436, 65746, 68428, 70099 and 70100) of proposed additions to and deletions from the Procurement List:

Additions

After consideration of the material presented to it concerning capability of qualified nonprofit agencies to provide

the services and impact of the additions on the current or most recent contractors, the Committee has determined that the services listed below are suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the services to the Government.

2. The action will not have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the services.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the services to the Government.

4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the services proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Accordingly, the following services are hereby added to the Procurement List:

Commissary Shelf Stocking, Custodial and Warehousing

Bangor ANGB

Bangor, Maine

Food Service Attendant
MacDill Air Force Base, Florida

Janitorial/Custodial

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS)
Southeast Fisheries Science Center (SEFSC)
75 Virginia Beach Drive
Miami, Florida

Janitorial/Custodial

Various U.S. Army Reserve Centers
Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania
Operation of Individual Equipment Element Store
Luke Air Force Base, Arizona

This action does not affect current contracts awarded prior to the effective date of this addition or options that may be exercised under those contracts.

Deletions

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action may not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or

other compliance requirements for small entities.

2. The action will not have a severe economic impact on future contractors for the services.

3. The action may result in authorizing small entities to furnish the services to the Government.

4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the services deleted from the Procurement List.

After consideration of the relevant matter presented, the Committee has determined that the services listed below are no longer suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

Accordingly, the following services are hereby deleted from the Procurement List:

Access Control
Fleet and Industrial Supply Center
250 Executive Way
Oakland, California

Cardboard & Paper Scrap Recovery
Bonneville Power Administration
11743 NE Sumner Street
Portland, Oregon

Document Processing
Naval Air Station
Alameda, California
Grounds Maintenance
Department of the Army
Television and Audio Support Activities
Mather Air Force Base, California

Janitorial/Custodial

Bonneville Power Administration
Kalispell Maintenance Complex
2520 Highway #2 East
Kalispell, Montana

Janitorial/Custodial

Basewide
Fort Indiantown Gap
Anville, Pennsylvania

Janitorial/Custodial

Philadelphia International Airport
Air Mobility Command Terminal D/
Concourse D
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Janitorial/Custodial

U.S. Army Reserve Center #3
400 Dry Hill Road
Beckley, West Virginia

Laundry Service
Naval Station
Long Beach, California

Beverly L. Milkman,

Executive Director.

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