

3. Youths who apply for a position with the Youth Conservation Corps, but who will not be hired will not have to complete this Medical History form.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ransom Hughes, Youth Conservation Corps, Senior, Youth and Volunteer Programs, at (703) 605-4854.

Description of Information Collection

Title: FS-1800-3 Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) Medical History.

OMB Number: 0596-0084.

Expiration Date of Approval: October 31, 1997.

Estimate of Annual Burden:

14 minutes.

Type of Respondents: Youth 15 to 18 years of age.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 2,000 (corrected from 18,000).

Estimated Annual Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 140 hours (corrected from 4,200 hours).

Dated: April 5, 2000.

Clyde Thompson,

Deputy Chief for Business Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Utah Northern Goshawk Project

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Decision on the Utah Northern Goshawk Project Environmental Assessment.

SUMMARY: In the November 9, 1999, *Federal Register* (Vol. 64, No. 216, pages 61062-61063), notice was given by the Intermountain Region of the Forest Service that the Environmental Assessment for the Utah Northern Goshawk project was available for review and comment for 60 days.

On March 14, 2000, Regional Forester Jack A. Blackwell made his decision to implement Alternative F as the management direction to maintain and restore habitat for the northern goshawk on the National Forests in Utah. This decision amends the goals, objectives, standards, guidelines and monitoring requirements established in the current land and resource management plans (forest plans) for the Ashley, Dixie, Fishlake, Manti-LaSal, Uinta, and Wasatch-Cache National Forests. The amendments will be in effect until the forest plans are revised.

The decision may be appealed in accordance with the provisions of 36

CFR 217, as identified in the Decision Notice. The appeal period ends on May 22, 2000. Copies of the Decision Notice are available for calling 801/615-5897 or from the Utah Northern Goshawk Project's website at: www.fs.fed.us/r4/goshawk.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions about the Decision Notice should be directed to Peter W. Karp, Uinta National Forest Supervisor and Team Leader for the Utah Northern Goshawk Project, USDA Forest Service, PO Box 1428, Provo, UT 84601. Phone: 801/342-5100.

Dated: April 3, 2000.

Jack G. Troyer,

Deputy Regional Forester, Intermountain Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

[Docket No. 000327082-0082-01]

RIN 0605-XX07

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of amendment of Privacy Act System of Records: Commerce/Patent and Trademark System 1; Commerce—Patent and Trademark System 2; Commerce/Patent and Trademark System 5.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce is amending the systems of records listed under Commerce—Patent and Trademark Systems 1: Attorneys and Agents Registered to Practice before the Patent and Trademark Office; Commerce-Patent and Trademark Systems 2: Complaints, Investigations and Disciplinary Proceedings Relating to Registered Patent Attorneys and Agents; and Commerce-Patent and Trademark Systems 5: Non-Registered Persons Rendering Assistance to Patent Applicants. This action has been taken to update the Privacy Act notice and to amend the routine use. We invite public comment on the proposed routine use in this publication.

DATES: *Effective Date:* The amendments will become effective as proposed without further notice on May 15, 2000 unless comments dictate otherwise.

Comment Date: To be considered, written comments must be submitted on or before May 15, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent via United States Mail delivery to Raymond Chen, Office of the Solicitor, United States Patent and Trademark Office, Box

8, Washington, DC 20231; via facsimile at 703-305-9373. All comments received will be available for public inspection at the Public Search Facilities, Crystal Plaza 3, 2021 South Clark Place, Arlington, VA 22202.

For further information contact:

Raymond Chen, Office of the Solicitor, Box 8, Washington, DC 20231, or by phone at 703-305-9035.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to an executive branch initiative to update the Privacy Act systems of records, the Department of Commerce amends three Privacy Act systems maintained by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) to describe the current practices of the PTO.

In addition to amending the notice of routine uses, other changes are being made to update the notice, including amendments to categories of individuals covered by the system, categories of records in the system, location of records, authority for maintenance of the system, policy and practices for storing records, and the title and business address of the agency official responsible for the records. A more detailed explanation of the changes follows for each system.

The below-referenced Prefatory Statement of General Routine uses is found at 46 FR 63501-63502 (December 31, 1981).

The Department of Commerce finds no probable or potential effect of the proposal on the privacy of individuals. To minimize the risk of unauthorized access to the system of records, the PTO has located paper records in lockable file cabinets or in metal file cabinets in secured rooms or secured premises with access limited to those whose official duties require access. Electronic files are stored in secured premises with access limited to those whose official duties require access.

Attorneys and Agents Registered To Practice Before the Patent and Trademark Office (PAT-TM-1)

The system location disclosure is updated to reflect correct addresses and to reflect that records in this system may be contained in the Office of Enrollment and Discipline (OED), the Office of the Solicitor, and/or the Commissioner's Office. This amendment to the system location reflects current practice and does not constitute a new collection of records. Changes in the PTO enrollment and disciplinary rules, part 10 of 37 CFR, instituted in 1985, moved the functions of enrollment and discipline from the Office of the Solicitor to OED, a separate office. Moreover, under current enrollment and disciplinary rules, persons covered by this system

may petition OED decisions to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks. Additionally, the Solicitor provides legal advice and guidance on enrollment matters to both the OED and the Commissioner. Thus, records from this system may also be stored in the Commissioner's Office or in the Office of the Solicitor.

The category of records in the system is amended to include records pertaining to investigations of an applicant's suitability or eligibility for registration to practice before the PTO. This amendment to the categories of records in the system reflects current practice as authorized by 35 U.S.C. 31 and does not constitute a new collection of records.

The routine uses of records is amended to clarify the current notice. This amendment to the routine uses of records in the system reflects current practice and does not constitute a new collection of records or any new routine disclosure. The public roster notice in the current system is further defined to indicate that a registered practitioner's name, address, law firm or company affiliation, telephone number, and registration number will be published periodically. Currently, the PTO publishes this roster on its worldwide web site. The current notice is further amended to clarify that the PTO will release current status information (*e.g.*, registered, not registered, suspended, etc.) upon inquiry from the public, state bars, courts, or other government agencies. The amendment also notices that the PTO may disclose information to solicit additional information regarding an applicant's suitability and eligibility to practice before the PTO, and that petitions for reinstatement by a suspended or excluded practitioner will be open to the public, pursuant to 37 CFR 10.160(e).

The storage notice is amended to reflect storage on microfilm and machine readable storage media. The safeguards notice is amended to reflect current practice. This amendment to the storage and safeguarding of records in the system reflects current practice and does not constitute a new collection of records, new storage means, or new safeguarding means. The system manager and notification procedure are amended to update correct addresses for those positions. The record source category is amended to reflect current practice of obtaining information from individuals.

Further, the notice for Privacy Act system "Attorneys and Agents Registered to Practice before the Patent and Trademark Office" (PAT-TM-1) has also been amended to add a notice

regarding the PTO's intention to exempt that system of records from certain provisions of the Privacy Act as provided for in 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2). Some of the records in this system result from investigations compiled for law enforcement purposes. Namely, the records contain information regarding, *inter alia*, the moral and ethical fitness of an applicant to practice before the PTO. This information is relevant (a) to pending disciplinary investigations and proceedings in the PTO (b) to state bar violations, or (c) to violations of state and/or federal criminal and/or civil laws. The rulemaking process is concurrently amending 15 CFR 4b.14(b)(2) to add PAT-TM-1 to the systems of records which are exempt from certain provision of the Privacy Act under 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2).

The reasons set forth at 15 CFR 4b.14(b)(2) for exempting certain systems of records from certain provisions of the Privacy Act are also reasons for exempting PAT-TM-1 under 5 USC 552a(k)(2). The reasons for asserting the exemption are to prevent subjects of investigation from frustrating the investigatory process, to ensure the proper functioning and integrity of law enforcement activities, to prevent disclosure of investigative techniques, to maintain the ability to obtain necessary information, to fulfill commitments made to sources to protect their identities and the confidentiality of information and to avoid endangering these sources and law enforcement personnel. See 15 CFR 4b.14(b)(2).

Complaints, Investigations and Disciplinary Proceedings Relating to Registered Patent Attorneys and Agents (PAT-TM-2)

The system location disclosure is updated to reflect correct addresses and to reflect that records in this system may be contained in the Office of Enrollment and Discipline (OED), the Office of the Solicitor, and/or the Commissioner's Office. This amendment to the system location reflects current practice and does not constitute a new collection of records. Changes in the PTO enrollment and disciplinary rules, part 10 of 37 CFR, instituted in 1985, moved the functions of enrollment and discipline from the Office of the Solicitor to OED, a separate office. Under 37 CFR 10.140(b), the Commissioner designates certain associate solicitors to serve as legal counsel for the Director of OED. Thus, records from this system may also be maintained in the Office of the Solicitor. Moreover, under current enrollment and disciplinary rules, persons covered by this system may petition OED decisions to the

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks. Additionally, the Solicitor provides legal advice to the Commissioner on disciplinary matters. Thus, records from this system may be stored in the Commissioner's Office or in the Office of the Solicitor.

The categories of individuals covered by the system is amended to reflect current practice under PTO rules to include attorneys practicing trademark matters before the PTO and any other attorney appearing before the PTO.

The routine uses of records is amended to clarify the current notice. This amendment to the routine uses of records in the system reflects current practice and does not constitute a new collection of records or any new routine disclosure. Under 37 CFR 10.135(b), a notice of institution of a disciplinary complaint and case against an attorney or agent may be publicly disclosed. Additionally, upon a final order reprimanding, suspending, or excluding an attorney or agent, the records in this system may be publicly disclosed.

The storage notice is amended to reflect storage on microfilm and machine readable storage media. The safeguards notice is amended to reflect current practice. This amendment to the storage and safeguarding of records in the system reflects current practice and does not constitute a new collection of records or new storage means or new safeguarding means. The system manager and notification procedure are amended to update correct addresses for those positions. The record source category is amended to reflect the current practice of obtaining information from individuals.

Further, the notice for Privacy Act system Complaints, Investigations and Disciplinary Proceedings Relating to Registered Patent Attorneys and Agents (PAT-TM-2) has also been amended to add a notice regarding the agency's intention to exempt that system of records from certain provisions of the Privacy Act as provided for in 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2). All or substantially all of the records in PAT-TM-2 comprise investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes. Namely, the records are used to aid the agency in enforcing its statutes and regulations regarding the conduct of patent attorneys and agents admitted to practice before the PTO. The rulemaking process is concurrently amending 15 CFR 4b.14(b)(2) to add PAT-TM-2 to the systems of records which are exempt from certain provision of the Privacy Act under 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2).

The reasons set forth at 15 CFR 4b.14(b)(2) for exempting certain systems of records from certain

provisions of the Privacy Act are also reasons for exempting PAT-TM-2 under 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2). The reasons for asserting the exemption are to prevent subjects of investigation from frustrating the investigatory process, to ensure the proper functioning and integrity of law enforcement activities, to prevent disclosure of investigative techniques, to maintain the ability to obtain necessary information, to fulfill commitments made to sources to protect their identities and the confidentiality of information, and to avoid endangering these sources and law enforcement personnel. See 15 CFR 4b.14(b)(2).

Non-Registered Persons Rendering Assistance to Patent Rendering Assistance (PAT-TM-5)

The system location disclosure is updated to reflect correct addresses and to reflect that records in this system may be contained in the Office of Enrollment and Discipline (OED) and the Office of the Solicitor. This amendment to the system location reflects current practice and does not constitute a new collection of records. Changes in the PTO enrollment and disciplinary rules, part 10 of 37 CFR, instituted in 1985, moved the functions of enrollment and discipline from the Office of the Solicitor to OED, a separate office. Under 37 CFR 10.140(b), the Commissioner appoints certain associate solicitors to serve as legal counsel for the Director of OED. Thus, records from this system may also be maintained in the Office of the Solicitor.

The storage notice is amended to reflect storage on microfilm and machine readable storage media. The safeguards notice is amended to reflect current practice. This amendment to the storage and safeguarding of records in the system reflects current practice and does not constitute a new collection of records or new storage means or new safeguarding means. The system manager and notification procedure are amended to update correct addresses for those positions.

Classification

This notice is not subject to the notice and comment requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act. 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2).

This notice is exempt review under Executive Order 12866.

Accordingly, Privacy Act systems notices for Attorneys and Agents Registered to Practice before the Patent and Trademark Office (PAT-TM-1), Complaints, Investigations and Disciplinary Proceedings Relating to Registered Patent Attorneys and Agents

(PAT-TM-2), and Non-Registered Persons Rendering Assistance to Patent Rendering Assistance (PAT-TM-5) originally published at 40 FR 32970 (August 5, 1975) are amended as follows:

COMMERCE/PAT-TM-1

SYSTEM NAME:

Attorneys and Agents Registered to Practice Before the Office—
COMMERCE/PAT-TM-1.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

Office of Enrollment and Discipline, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, 2221 South Clark Street, Arlington, Virginia 22202; Office of the Commissioner, 2121 Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA 22202; Office of the Solicitor, 2121 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA 22202.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Attorneys and agents who are, or have been, registered to practice before the Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO") in patent cases, and applicants and former applicants for such registration to practice.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Biographical information, personal and professional qualifications, character and fitness report, investigations of an applicant's suitability or eligibility for registration to practice before the PTO, undertakings of former patent examiners, current address, and status information.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

35 U.S.C. 1, 6, and 31.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

See Prefatory Statement of General Routine uses Nos. 1-5 and 8-13. A public roster including an address of record, law firm or company affiliation, telephone number, and registration number of the registered individuals is published and disseminated; registration status is disseminated upon inquiry; and information may be published or otherwise disclosed to solicit information regarding an applicant's suitability and eligibility for registration to practice before the PTO.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Paper records in file folders, microfilm, and machine readable storage media.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Filed alphabetically by name or registration number.

SAFEGUARDS:

Records are located in lockable metal file cabinets or in metal file cabinets in secured rooms or secured premises with access limited to those whose official duties require access. Electronic files are stored in secured premises with access limited to those whose official duties require access.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Records retention and disposal is in accordance with the unit's Records Control Schedule.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

Director, Office of Enrollment and Discipline, Box OED, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Information may be obtained from Director, Office of Enrollment and Discipline, Box OED, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. Requester should provide name, address, date of application, and record sought, pursuant to the inquiry provisions of the Department's rules which appear in 15 CFR part 4b.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Requests from individuals should be addressed to: Same address as stated in the notification section above.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

The Department's rules for access, for contesting contents, and for appealing initial determinations by the individual concerned appear in 15 CFR part 4b.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Subject individual, references, and individuals furnishing information.

SYSTEMS EXEMPTED FROM CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ACT:

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2), all investigatory materials in the record which meet the criteria in 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2) are exempted from the notice, access, and contest requirements (under 5 U.S.C. 552a(c)(3), (d), (e) (1), (e)(4)(G), (H), and (I), and (f)) of the agency regulations because of the necessity to exempt this information and material in order to accomplish the law enforcement function of the agency, to prevent subjects of investigations from frustrating the investigatory process, to prevent the disclosure of investigative techniques, to fulfill commitments made to protect the confidentiality of sources, to maintain access to sources of

information, and to avoid endangering these sources and law enforcement personnel.

COMMERCE/PAT-TM-2

SYSTEM NAME:

Complaints, Investigations and Disciplinary Proceedings Relating to Registered Patent Attorneys and Agents—COMMERCE/PAT-TM-2.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

Office of Enrollment and Discipline, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, 2221 South Clark Street, Arlington, Virginia 22202; Office of the Commissioner, 2121 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA 22202; Office of the Solicitor, 2121 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA 22202.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Attorneys and agents registered to practice before the Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) in patent cases, attorneys practicing before the PTO in trademark cases, attorneys appearing before the PTO, and excluded or suspended attorneys and agents.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Complaints and information obtained during investigations and quasi-judicial disciplinary proceedings.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

35 U.S.C. 1, 6, and 32.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

See Prefatory Statement of General Routine Uses Nos. 1-5, 8-10, and 13. Dissemination of information concerning the complaint, investigation, or disciplinary proceeding may be made to the complainant and to persons who can reasonably be expected to provide information needed in connection with the complaint, investigation, or disciplinary proceeding. Notice of filing of a disciplinary complaint may be publicly disclosed. Upon a final order reprimanding, suspending, or excluding an attorney or agent, the records in this system may be publicly disclosed.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Paper records in file folders, microfilm, and machine readable storage media.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Filed alphabetically by name or registration number.

SAFEGUARDS:

Records are located in lockable metal file cabinets or in metal file cabinets in secured rooms or secured premises with access limited to those whose official duties require access. Electronic files are stored in secured premises with access limited to those whose official duties require access.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Records retention and disposal is in accordance with the unit's Records Control Schedule.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

Director, Office of Enrollment and Discipline, Box OED, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Information may be obtained from Director, Office of Enrollment and Discipline, Box OED, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. Requester should provide name, address, date of application, and record sought, pursuant to the inquiry provisions of the Department's rules which appear in 15 CFR part 4b.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Requests from individuals should be addressed to: Same address as stated in the notification section above.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

The Department's rules for access, for contesting contents, and for appealing initial determinations by the individual concerned appear in 15 CFR part 4b.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Subject individuals, clients of same, registered attorneys and agents, witnesses in disciplinary proceedings, court opinions, and individuals furnishing information.

SYSTEMS EXEMPTED FROM CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ACT:

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2), all investigatory materials in the record which meet the criteria in 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2) are exempted from the notice, access, and contest requirements (under 5 U.S.C. 552a(c)(3), (d), (e)(1), (e)(4)(G), (H), and (I), and (f)) of the agency regulations because of the necessity to exempt this information and material in order to accomplish the law enforcement function of the agency, to prevent subjects of investigations from frustrating the investigatory process, to prevent the disclosure of investigative techniques, to fulfill commitments made to protect the confidentiality of sources, to maintain access to sources of information, and to avoid endangering

these sources and law enforcement personnel.

COMMERCE/PAT-TM-5

SYSTEM NAME:

Non-Registered Persons Rendering Assistance to Patent Applicants—COMMERCE/PAT-TM-5.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

Office of Enrollment and Discipline, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, 2221 South Clark Street, Arlington, Virginia 22202.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Persons other than registered attorneys or agents who have offered or rendered, for payment, various services to inventors, patent applicants, and patentees.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Declarations of assistance received and other reports or complaints, including names and addresses, of persons rendering services, and information obtained and used for investigatory and law enforcement purposes.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

35 U.S.C. 1, 6, and 33; 5 U.S.C. 301; 28 U.S.C. 533-535; 44 U.S.C. 3101; and E.O. 10450.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

Providing notice to patent applicants regarding whether or not the persons from whom assistance was received are registered to practice before the Office. Used for investigative purposes. Also, see Prefatory Statement of General Routine Uses Nos. 1-5, 8-10, and 13.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Paper records in file folders, microfilm, and machine readable storage media.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Filed alphabetically by name.

SAFEGUARDS:

Records are located in lockable metal file cabinets or in metal file cabinets in secured rooms or secured premises with access limited to those whose official duties require access. Electronic files are stored in secured premises with access limited to those whose official duties require access.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Records retention and disposal is in accordance with the unit's Records Control Schedule.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

Director, Office of Enrollment and Discipline, Box OED, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Director, Office of Enrollment and Discipline, Box OED, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. Requester should provide name, address, date of application, and record sought, pursuant to the inquiry provisions of the Department's rules in 15 CFR part 4b.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Requests from individuals should be addressed to: Same address as stated in the notification section above.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

The Department's rules for access, for contesting contents, and for appealing initial determinations by the individual concerned appear in 15 CFR part 4b.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Patent applicants who have received and paid for services by the individuals on whom the records are maintained.

SYSTEMS EXEMPTED FROM CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ACT:

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2), all investigatory materials in the record which meet the criteria in 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2) are exempted from the notice, access, and contest requirements (under 5 U.S.C. 552a(c)(3), (d), (e)(1), (e)(4)(G), (H), and (I), and (f)) of the agency regulations because of the necessity to exempt this information and material in order to accomplish the law enforcement function of the agency, to prevent subjects of investigations from frustrating the investigatory process, to prevent the disclosure of investigative techniques, to fulfill commitments made to protect the confidentiality of sources, to maintain access to sources of information, and to avoid endangering these sources and law enforcement personnel.

Dated: March 29, 2000.

Brenda Dolan,

Departmental Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**International Trade Administration**

[A-485-803]

Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate From Romania; Time Limits

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of extension of time limit for preliminary results of antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is extending the time limit for the preliminary results of the 1998-1999 administrative review of the antidumping duty order on cut-to-length carbon steel plate from Romania. This review covers two exporters of the subject merchandise to the United States, Metalexportimport, S.A. and Windmill International Romania Branch (Windmill), and one manufacturer of the subject merchandise, C. S. Sidex, S.A. The period of review is August 1, 1998 through July 31, 1999.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 13, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Baker at (202) 482-2924 or Robert James at (202) 482-0649, Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Enforcement Group III, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department initiated this administrative review on October 1, 1999 (64 FR 53318) and November 4, 1999 (64 FR 60161). Under section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Tariff Act), the Department may extend the deadline for completion of an administrative review if it determines that it is not practicable to complete the review within the statutory time limit of 365 days. Because of the complexity and difficulty presented with surrogate country selection and factor valuation in this case, the Department is extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results until August 30, 2000. See Memorandum from Richard Weible to Joseph Spetrini, on file in room B-099 of the main Commerce building. The deadline for the final results of this review will continue to be 120 days after the publication of the preliminary results.

This extension is in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act and section 351.213(h)(2) of the Department's regulations.

Dated: April 27, 2000.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

Deputy Assistant Secretary Enforcement Group III.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**International Trade Administration**

[A-560-810, A-580-843]

Notice of Postponement of Preliminary Antidumping Duty Determinations: Certain Expandable Polystyrene Resins From Indonesia and the Republic of Korea

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 13, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Valerie Ellis or David Layton, Office 5, Group II, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-2336, or (202) 482-0371, respectively.

Postponement of Preliminary Determination

The Department of Commerce (the Department) is postponing the preliminary determinations in the antidumping duty investigations of certain expandable polystyrene resins from Indonesia and the Republic of Korea. The deadline for issuing the preliminary determinations in these investigations is now June 20, 2000.

On December 13, 1999, the Department initiated antidumping investigations of certain expandable polystyrene resins from Indonesia and the Republic of Korea. See *Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigations: Certain Expandable Polystyrene Resins from Indonesia and the Republic of Korea*, 64 FR 71112 (December 20, 1999). The notice stated that the Department would issue its preliminary determinations no later than 140 days after the date of initiation (*i.e.*, May 1, 2000).

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.205(e), on March 29, 2000, the petitioners filed a request that the Department postpone the preliminary determinations in these investigations. The petitioners' request for postponement was timely, and the Department finds no compelling reason to deny the request. Therefore, in accordance with section 733(c)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), the Department is postponing the