

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 4321 *et seq.*, Council on Environmental Quality Regulations, 40 CFR 1501.4 and 1508.13 and Department of State Regulations, 22 CFR 161.8 (C), an environmental impact statement will not be prepared.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE PIPELINE PERMIT APPLICATION, CONTACT:**

Bill Memler, Office of International Energy Policy, Room 3535, U.S. Department of State, Washington, D.C., 20520, (202) 647-4557.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The City of Sumas is a municipality organized and chartered in the State of Washington. On October 14, 1999, the Department of State published a Notice of Application for a Presidential Permit in the **Federal Register**. No public comments were received and concerned agencies expressed no opposition to issuing the permit. A finding of no significant impact is adopted, and an environmental impact statement will not be prepared.

**Stephen Gallogly,**

*Director, Office of International Energy and Commodities Policy.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice No. 3329]

**United States International Telecommunication Advisory Committee; Radiocommunication Sector (ITAC-R); Notice of Meeting**

The Department of State announces a meeting of the U.S. International Telecommunication Advisory Committee Radiocommunication Sector (ITAC-R). The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Department on policy and positions with respect to the International Telecommunication Union and international radiocommunication matters.

The ITAC-R will meet from 1:30 to 4:30 on July 6, 2000, at the Department of State in room 1205 to prepare for the next cycle of radiocommunication activities of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission (CITEL), taking account of the recently concluded Radiocommunication Assembly and the World Radiocommunication Conference 2000. Members of the general public may attend this meeting and join in the discussions, subject to the instructions of the Chair. Admission of public members will be limited to seating

available. Entrance to the Department of State is controlled; people intending to attend ITAC-R meeting and subsequent preparatory meetings for the CPM should send an e-mail to Cheryl Williams ([williamscd@state.gov](mailto:williamscd@state.gov)) or fax to (202) 647-7407 no later than 48 hours before the meeting. The fax should include the name of the meeting (Prep for radiocommunications activities of ITU and CITEL), date of the meeting, your name, social security number, date of birth, and organization. One of the following will be required for admission. U.S. driver's license, U.S. passport, or U.S. Government identification card. Enter from the C Street Entrance; in view of escorting requirement, non-government attendees should plan to arrive not less than 15 minutes before the meeting begins.

Dated: June 21, 2000.

**Brian Ramsay,**

*ITAC-R National Committee, Department of State.*

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**OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE**

**Trade Policy Staff Committee; Public Comments on Environmental Review of Proposed United States-Jordan Free Trade Agreement**

**ACTION:** Notice of initiation of environmental review and request for comments on scope of review.

**SUMMARY:** This publication gives notice that pursuant to Executive Order 13141 (64 FR 63169) the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR), through the Trade Policy Staff Committee (TPSC), is initiating an environmental review of the proposed United States-Jordan free trade agreement notified in the **Federal Register** on June 15, 2000 (65 FR 37594). The TPSC is requesting written comments from the public on what should be included in the scope of the review, including the potential environmental effects that might flow from the free trade agreement and the potential implications for out environmental laws and regulations. Persons submitting written comments should provide as much detail as possible on the degree to which the subject matter they propose for inclusion in the review may raise significant environmental issues in the context of the negotiation. Jordan has indicated that it plans to perform its own environmental review of the free trade agreement, a process the U.S. Agency for International Development is

prepared to support with technical assistance if requested by the government of Jordan.

**DATES:** Comments about the scope of the review should be submitted on or before July 17, 2000 to be assured of timely consideration.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** For procedural questions concerning public comments, contact Gloria Blue, Executive Secretary, TPSC, Office of the USTR, 600 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20508 (202) 395-3475. All other questions regarding the review should be addressed to Mary Latimer, Deputy Assistant US Trade Representative for Environment and Natural Resources, Office of the USTR (202) 395-7230 or Adam Shub, Director for Middle Eastern Affairs, Office of the USTR (202) 395-3320.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On June 6, 2000, President Clinton agreed with Jordan's King Abdullah II to negotiate a bilateral free trade agreement. In the negotiations, the United States and Jordan will seek to eliminate duties and commercial barriers to bilateral trade in U.S.- and Jordanian-origin goods and also expect to address trade in services, trade-related aspects of intellectual property rights, trade-related environmental and labor matters, and other issues. The TPSC requested written comments from the public to assist USTR in formulating negotiating objectives for the agreement in the **Federal Register** on June 15, 2000 (65 FR 37594).

USTR has requested that the U.S. International Trade Commission conduct a detailed study of the potential economic impacts of the free trade agreement on the United States. Two-way trade in goods between the United States and Jordan totaled \$307 million in 1999, consisting of \$276 million in U.S. exports to Jordan and \$31 million in Jordanian exports to the United States. Jordan's top exports to the United States in 1999 were aircraft and aircraft parts sent to the United States for repair, jewelry made of precious metals, apparel including mens and boys suits, capets, and antiques over 100 years old. Top U.S. exports to Jordan in 1999 were wheat, aircraft parts, rice, and corn.

**Written Comments**

Persons submitting written comments should provide twenty (20) copies no later than noon July 17, 2000, to Gloria Blue at the address listed above. Written comments submitted in connection with this request, except for information granted "business confidential" status pursuant to 15 CFR 2003.6, will be