

further advice by the Department pursuant to section 706(a)(1) of the Act, countervailing duties for each entry of the subject merchandise in an amount based on the countervailable subsidy rate for the subject merchandise.

On or after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, U.S. Customs officers must require, at the same time as importers would normally deposit estimated duties on this merchandise, a cash deposit equal to the countervailable subsidy rate noted below. In accordance with section 777A(e)(2)(B) of the Act, we have calculated an aggregate or industry-wide rate for all of the producers/exporters of honey under investigation. We have determined that the total estimated countervailable subsidy rate is 4.53 percent *ad valorem*. However, due to a program-wide change, we have established a cash deposit rate of 5.85 percent *ad valorem* in accordance with section 351.526(a) of the Department's regulations.

This notice constitutes the countervailing duty order with respect to honey from Argentina pursuant to section 706(a) of the Act. Interested parties may contact the Central Records Unit, for an updated list of countervailing duty orders currently in effect.

This countervailing duty order is published in accordance with section 706(a) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.211.

Dated: November 28, 2001.

**Richard W. Moreland,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary, for Import Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[C-437-805]

#### **Sulfanilic Acid From Hungary: Postponement of Preliminary Determination of Countervailing Duty Investigation**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of postponement of preliminary determination.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce is postponing the preliminary determination of the countervailing duty investigation of sulfanilic acid from Hungary. This postponement is made pursuant to section 703(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** December 10, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Melani Miller at (202) 482-0116, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement I, Group I, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Ave, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

#### **Postponement of Preliminary Determination**

##### *The Applicable Statute and Regulations*

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act of 1930 ("the Act") by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act. All citations to the Department of Commerce's ("the Department") regulations are to 19 CFR Part 351 (2001).

##### *Statutory Time Limits*

Section 703(b)(1) of the Act, requires the Department to make a preliminary determination in a countervailing duty investigation within 65 days after the date on which the Department initiates an investigation. However, if the Department concludes that the parties concerned are cooperating and determines pursuant to section 703(c) of the Act that the case is extraordinarily complicated and additional time is necessary to make the preliminary determination, according to section 703(c) of the Act, the Department may postpone making the preliminary determination until no later than 130 days after the date of initiation of the investigation.

##### *Background*

On October 18, 2001, the Department initiated the countervailing duty investigation of sulfanilic acid from Hungary. See Notice of Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation: Sulfanilic Acid from Hungary, 66 FR 54229 (October 26, 2001). Currently, the preliminary determination must be issued by December 24, 2001.

##### *Postponement of Preliminary Determination*

Because of the complexity of certain issues in this investigation (*e.g.*, change in ownership and privatization and new subsidy allegations), it is not practicable to complete the preliminary determination within the original time limit. See December 4, 2001 memorandum to Richard W. Moreland, "Extension of Time Limit for the Preliminary Determination: Countervailing Duty Investigation of

*Sulfanilic Acid from Hungary.*"

Therefore, pursuant to 703(c) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(b)(2), the Department is postponing the preliminary determination until no later than February 25, 2002.

We are issuing and publishing this notice in accordance with sections 703(c)(2) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: December 4, 2001.

**Bernard T. Carreau,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary, for Import Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Minority Business Development Agency

[Docket No. 000724217-1278-04]

#### **Amendment to Selection Procedures To Include Site Visits**

**AGENCY:** Minority Business Development Agency, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the Minority Business Development Agency's (MBDA) amendment of prior **Federal Register** notices published by MBDA that identified selection procedures for MBDA's Minority Business Development Center Program and its Native American Business Development Center Program. MBDA amends the selection procedures to provide that the National Director or his designee reserves the right to conduct a site visit to the location of qualified applicants receiving an average of at least 70% of the total points available for all four evaluation criterion.

**DATES:** December 10, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Juanita E. Berry at (202) 482-3262.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under Executive Order 11625, MBDA provides business development services to persons who are members of groups determined by the U. S. Department of Commerce to be socially or economically disadvantaged, and to business concerns owned and controlled by such individuals.

MBDA has determined that site visits to qualified applicants would support MBDA's selection and would confirm the applicant's stated ability to best fulfill MBDA's Funding Priorities, particularly identifying and working to meet the needs of minority businesses seeking to obtain large-scale contracts with institutional customers, as set out

in the prior **Federal Register** Notices (65 FR 52069 and 66 FR 58990).

Therefore, MBDA's prior **Federal Register** notices (65 FR 52069 and 66 FR 41202 and 66 FR 58990) are hereby amended to provide that the National Director or his designee reserves the right to conduct a site visit to applicant organizations receiving an average of at least 70% of the total points available for all four evaluation criterion in order to assist with the application of the selection procedures provided at 65 FR 52083 and 52095 and 66 FR 59000.

The Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements contained in the **Federal Register** notice of October 1, 2001 (66 FR 49917), are applicable to this notice.

*Executive Order 12866:* This notice was determined to be not significant for purposes of E.O. 12866.

*Administrative Procedure Act:* The provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act requiring notice of proposed rulemaking, the opportunity for public participation, and a delay in effective date, are inapplicable because this notice is a matter relating to public property, loans, grants, benefits, or contracts 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2),

*Regulatory Flexibility Act:* Because a notice of proposed rulemaking and opportunities for public comment are not required to be given for this notice by 5 U.S.C. 553 or by any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 are inapplicable.

*Executive Order 13132:* This notice does not contain policies with Federalism implications as that term is defined in Executive Order 13132.

**Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 1512 and Executive Order 11625.

Dated: December 4, 2001.

**Juanita E. Berry,**

*Federal Register Liaison Officer, Minority Business Development Agency.*

**Ronald N. Langston,**

*National Director, Minority Business Development Agency.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[Docket No. 011113275-1275-01; I.D. 120401A]

RIN 0648-ZB11

### Coral Reef Conservation Program Proposed Implementation Guidelines

**AGENCY:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Request for comments on Proposed Implementation Guidelines for the Coral Reef Conservation Program.

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this document is to request comments on NOAA's proposed Implementation Guidelines (Guidelines) for the Coral Reef Conservation Program (Program) under the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000 (Act). The Act authorizes the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary), through the NOAA Administrator (Administrator) and subject to the availability of funds, to provide matching grants of financial assistance for coral reef conservation projects under the Act (Coral Reef Conservation Program). As per the Act, NOAA has developed this set of proposed Implementation Guidelines for the Program for Fiscal Year (FY) 2002 through FY 2004. NOAA proposes to use several existing grant programs and mechanisms to implement the Program. Final Guidelines and specific Program information including available funding, dates, and detailed application requirements and proposal evaluation criteria will be published annually in a separate **Federal Register** solicitation. NOAA is in the process of developing a National Coral Reef Action Strategy (Strategy), as also required under the Act. The purpose of the Strategy is to provide an implementation plan to advance coral reef conservation, including a basis for funding allocations to be made under the Program. The Final Strategy will be published concurrently with the Final Program Guidelines and the FY 2002 Program Solicitation in the first quarter of calendar year 2002. The Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements contained in the **Federal Register** notice of October 1, 2001 (66 FR 49917), will be applicable to solicitations under this Program. This document is not a solicitation for FY 2002 project proposals.

**DATES:** In order to be considered, comments on this document must be

received by NOAA on or before January 14, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Only written comments will be accepted. Please send your comments by mail or fax to: David Kennedy, NOAA Coral Program Coordinator, Office of Response and Restoration, N/ORR, NOAA National Ocean Service, 1305 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, Fax: 301-713-4389.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bill Millhouser, Pacific Regional Manager, CPD/OCRM, N/ORM-3, NOAA National Ocean Service, 1305 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910; 301-713-3155 extension 189, Internet: bill.milhouser@noaa.gov; or Robin Bruckner, Community-based Restoration Coordinator, NOAA Restoration Center, F/HC3, NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910; 301-713-0174 extension 162, Internet: robin.bruckner@noaa.gov.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Background

The Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 6401 *et seq.*) was enacted on December 14, 2000, for the following purposes:

- (1) To preserve, sustain and restore the condition of coral reef ecosystems;
- (2) To promote the wise management and sustainable use of coral reef ecosystems to benefit local communities and the Nation;
- (3) To develop sound scientific information on the condition of coral reef ecosystems and the threats to such ecosystems;
- (4) To assist in the preservation of coral reefs by supporting conservation programs, including projects that involve affected local communities and non-governmental organizations;
- (5) To provide financial resources for those programs and projects; and
- (6) To establish a formal mechanism for the collecting and allocating of monetary donations from the private sector to be used for coral reef conservation projects.

Under section 6403 of the Act, the Secretary, through the NOAA Administrator (Administrator) and subject to the availability of funds, is authorized to provide matching grants of financial assistance for coral reef conservation projects. Section 6408(c) of the Act authorizes up to \$8,000,000 in each of FY 2001 through FY 2004 for projects under the Program.

As required under section 6403(j) of the Act, NOAA has developed this set of proposed Implementation Guidelines for the Program and through this document, is making them available for public review and comment.