Departmental Regulation do not apply to this action.

In the September 3, 2002, **Federal Register** (67 FR 56264), GIPSA asked persons interested in providing official services in the geographic areas assigned to the official agencies named above to submit an application for designation. Applications were due by October 1, 2002.

Jamestown, Lincoln, Memphis, Omaha, Sioux City, and Tischer were the sole applicants for designation to provide official services in the entire area currently assigned to them, so GIPSA did not ask for additional comments on them.

GIPSA evaluated all available information regarding the designation criteria in Section 7(f)(1)(A) of the Act and, according to Section 7(f)(1)(B), determined that Jamestown, Lincoln, Memphis, Omaha, Sioux City, and Tischer are able to provide official services in the geographic areas specified in the September 3, 2002, **Federal Register**, for which they applied. Interested persons may obtain official services by calling the telephone numbers listed below.

Official agency	Headquarters location and telephone	Designation start–end
Jamestown	Jamestown, ND, 701–252–1290	04/01/2003–03/31/2006
Lincoln	Lincoln, NE, 402–435–4386	04/01/2003–03/31/2006
Memphis	Memphis, TN, 901–942–3216, Additional Service Location: North Little Rock, AR.	04/01/2003–03/31/2006
Omaha	Omaha, NE, 402–341–6739	04/01/2003–03/31/2006
Sioux City	Sioux City, IA, 712–255–8073	04/01/2003–03/31/2006
Tischer	Fort Dodge, 515–955–7012	04/01/2003–03/31/2006

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

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Distance Learning and Telemedicine Loan and Grant Program

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of application filing deadline.

SUMMARY: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) announces its Distance Learning and Telemedicine Program application window for funding during fiscal year (FY) 2003. For FY 2003, $27 million in grants and $300 million in loans will be made available for distance learning and telemedicine projects serving rural America. The funding will be provided in three categories: (1) $17 million will be available for grants; (2) $200 million will be available for loans; and (3) $110 million will be available for combination grants and loans ($100 million in loans paired with $10 million in grants, *i.e.*, $100 loan: $10 grant ratio).

DATES: Applications for grants must be postmarked no later than May 2, 2003. Applications for FY 2003 loans or combination loans and grants may be submitted at anytime up to July 31, 2003, and will be processed on a first-come, first serve basis.

ADDRESSES: Applications are to be submitted to the Rural Utilities Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., STOP 1550, Washington, DC 20250–1550. Applications should be marked ''Attention: Director, Advanced Services Division, Telecommunications Program.''

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marilyn J. Morgan, Branch Chief, Distance Learning and Telemedicine Branch, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Service, STOP 1550, Room 2838, South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250–1550. Telephone: (202) 720–0413, FAX: (202) 720–1051.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For FY 2003, $17 million in grants, a combination of $10 million in grants paired with $100 million in loans, and $200 million in loans will be made available for distance learning and telemedicine projects. RUS encourages early submission of grant applications to determine whether all required items specified in 7 CFR 1703.125 are clearly in form, identifiable, and complete. RUS will examine, provide comment, and return applications that include items that would disqualify them from further consideration for modification if they are submitted by April 2, 2003. All applications for grants must be postmarked no later than May 2, 2003, to be eligible for FY 2003 grant funding. Each application will be reviewed for completeness in accordance with 7 CFR part 1703, subparts D, E, F, and G. Ineligible applications will be returned within 15 working days of receipt.

Notice is hereby given that under 7 CFR 1703.124, 1703.133, and 1703.143, RUS has determined the maximum amount of an application for a grant that will be considered for funding in FY 2003 as $500,000. The maximum amount for a loan, generally, that will be considered for funding in FY 2003 is $10 million. However, RUS may fund a project greater than $10 million subject to the project's feasibility and the availability of loan funds.

Applications for financial assistance must be submitted in accordance with 7 CFR part 1703, subparts D, E, F, and G, which establish the policies and procedures for submitting an application for financial assistance. These subparts and an application guide to assist in the preparation of applications are available on the Internet at the following address: *http://www.usda.gov/rus/telecom/dlt/dlt.htm.* Application guides may also be requested from RUS by contacting the Distance Learning and Telemedicine Branch, USDA–RUS, Phone: (202) 720–0413.

Dated: February 25, 2003.

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Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 52–2002]

Foreign-Trade Zone 50—Long Beach, CA; Application for Subzone Status; Amendment of Application—Ricoh Electronics, Inc. (Copiers, Printers, Thermal Paper and Related Products)

Notice is hereby given that the application of the Board of Harbor Commissioners of the City of Long Beach, California, grantee of FTZ 50, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the copier, printer, thermal paper and related products