immediate area of the butte, BLM needs to curtail certain dangerous activities. The Umatilla County Sheriff’s Office and the adjacent land owners are requesting that the BLM take immediate and aggressive action to stop these behaviors.

Because of the immediate and ongoing hazards to the public’s health and safety and because of the need to protect natural resources from continued hazardous materials dumping, erosion, and fires, we find good cause to publish these rules as interim final, effective May 14, 2004, and allowing 60 days for public comment.

IV. Procedural Matters

Executive Order 12630, Governmental Actions and Interference With Constitutionally Protected Property Rights (Takings)

The rule does not represent a government action capable of interfering with Constitutionally protected property rights. Therefore, the Department of the Interior has determined that the rule would not cause a taking of private property or require further discussion of takings implications under this Executive Order.

Executive Order 13132, Federalism [Replaces Executive Orders 12612 and 13083.]

The rule will not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 13132, BLM has determined that this rule does not have sufficient Federalism implications to warrant preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform

Under Executive Order 12988, the Office of the Solicitor has determined that this rule would not unduly burden the judicial system and that it meets the requirements of sections 3(a) and 3(b)(2) of the Order.

Executive Order 13175, Consultation and Coordination With Indian Tribal Governments [Replaces Executive Order 13084]

In accordance with Executive Order 13175, we have found that this final rule does not include policies that have tribal implications.

Paperwork Reduction Act

These supplementary rules do not contain information collection requirements that the Office of Management and Budget must approve under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.

Author

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For the reasons stated in the preamble, and under the authority of 43 CFR 8365.1–6 Supplementary Rules, the Oregon/Washington State Director, Bureau of Land Management, issues supplementary rules for public lands in the area known as Umatilla Butte, to read as follows:

Sec. 1 Prohibited acts.

(a) Prohibited acts. Within the area you must not:

(1) Operate any motorized vehicle.
(2) Discharge any firearm.
(3) Start, build or maintain any fire.
(4) Light or discharge any fireworks or incendiary devices.

(b) Exemptions. The following are exempt from prosecution under the prohibited acts:

1. Any person operating a motorized vehicle on a publicly maintained State or County road;
2. Any Federal, State or local officer or employee in the scope of their duties;
3. Members of any organized rescue or fire-fighting force in the performance of official duty; and
4. Any person authorized in writing by BLM.

Sec. 2 Penalties.

On public lands, under section 303(a) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1733(a)) and 43 CFR 8360.0–7, any person who violates any of these supplementary rules may be tried before a United States Magistrate and fined no more than $1,000 or imprisoned for no more than 12 months, or both. Such violations may also be subject to the enhanced fines provided for by 18 U.S.C. 3571.

Elaine M. Brong,
Oregon State Director, Bureau of Land Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Prospective Grant of Exclusive Patent License

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice is issued in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209 (c)(1) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)[l]. The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) is contemplating the granting of an exclusive license in the United States to practice the invention embodied in U.S. Patent No. 6,541,106 B1, titled “Hydrophilic Polyurethane Impregnated Rubber for Sealing Water Leaks.” The exclusive license is to be granted to Mr. Curt Birky, dba Conrep West, having a place of business in Littleton, Colorado. The patent rights in this invention have been assigned to the United States of America.

The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. While the primary purpose of this notice is to announce Reclamation’s intent to grant an exclusive license to practice the above listed patent, it also serves to publish the availability of this patent for licensing in accordance with law. The prospective license may be granted unless Reclamation receives written evidence and argument which establish that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

DATES: Written evidence and arguments against granting the prospective license must be received by fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice.

ADDRESSES: Inquiries, comments, and other materials relating to the contemplated license may be submitted to Chuck Hennig, Research Coordinator, Bureau of Reclamation, Office of the Research Director, D–9000, P.O. Box 25007, Denver, CO 80225–0007.

A copy of the above identified patent may be purchased from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, by calling (703) 308–9726 or (800) 972–6382 or downloaded free of charge from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Web site at www.uspto.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Chuck Hennig (chennig@do.usbr.gov), Research Coordinator, at 303–445–2134 or Siegie Potthoff (spotthoff@do.usbr.gov), Program Administrator, at 303–445–2136.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The invention relates to a novel approach to...
formulate and combine polyurethane and hydrophilic rubber compounds to produce a practical, economical, and reliable means of sealing water leaks, primarily in concrete dams and other concrete water storage structures. More specifically, the product would include a porous hydrophilic rubber impregnated with a water reactive polyurethane resin. When the material comes into contact with water, the rubber and polyurethane swell, resulting in increased adhesion with the substrate and improved leak sealing. Significant additional R&D is required to develop the compounding approach.

Properly filed competing applications completed and received by Reclamation in response to this notice will be considered as objections to the grant of any patent(s). Application forms are available from the Office of the Research Director, Bureau of Reclamation at the address above.

There may be circumstances in which we would withhold a respondent’s identity from public disclosure, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public disclosure in their entirety. For those individuals without a business address, Reclamation’s practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from public disclosure, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law.


Charles Hennig,
Acting Director, Research and Development, Bureau of Reclamation.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigations Nos. 701–TA–438 (Preliminary) and 731–TA–1076 (Preliminary)]

Live Swine From Canada

Determinations

On the basis of the record ¹ developed in the subject investigations, the United States International Trade Commission (Commission) determines, pursuant to sections 703(a) and 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1671b(a) and 19 U.S.C. 1673b(a)) (the Act), that there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports from Canada of live swine, provided for in subheadings 0103.91.00 and 0103.92.00 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be subsidized by federal and provincial governments in Canada and sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV).

Commencement of Final Phase Investigations

Pursuant to section 207.18 of the Commission’s rules, the Commission also gives notice of the commencement of the final phase of its investigations. The Commission will issue a final phase notice of scheduling, which will be published in the Federal Register as provided in section 207.21 of the Commission’s rules, upon notice from the Department of Commerce (Commerce) of affirmative preliminary determinations in the investigations under sections 703(b) and 733(b) of the Act, or, if the preliminary determinations are negative, upon notice of affirmative final determinations in those investigations under sections 705(a) and 735(a) of the Act. Parties that filed entries of appearance in the preliminary phase of the investigations need not enter a separate appearance for the final phase of the investigations. Industrial users, and, if the merchandise under investigation is sold at the retail level, representative consumer organizations have the right to appear as parties in Commission antidumping and countervailing duty investigations. The Secretary will prepare a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to the investigations.

¹ The record is defined in § 207.2(f) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 207.2(f)).

Background

On March 5, 2004, a petition was filed with the Commission and Commerce by the National Pork Producers Council, 6 state associations, and 119 individual pork producers, alleging that an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury by reason of subsidized and LTFV imports of live swine from Canada. Accordingly, effective March 5, 2004, the Commission instituted antidumping and countervailing duty investigations Nos. 701–TA–438 (Preliminary) and 731–TA–1076 (Preliminary).

Notice of the institution of the Commission’s investigations and of a public conference to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the Federal Register of March 16, 2004 (69 FR 12347, March 16, 2004). The conference was held in Washington, DC, on March 26, 2004, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.


By order of the Commission.


Marilyn R. Abbott,
Secretary to the Commission.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[USITC SE–04–012]

Government in the Sunshine Act

Meeting Notice


TIME AND DATE: May 27, 2004 at 11 a.m.


STATUS: Open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Agenda for future meetings: None.

2. Minutes.

3. Ratification List.

4. Inv. No. AA1921–167 (Second Review) (Pressure Sensitive Plastic Tape