

(NEPA), for applicant projects or proposals which are seeking NOAA federal funding opportunities. Detailed information on NOAA compliance with NEPA can be found at the following NOAA NEPA Web site: <http://www.nepa.noaa.gov/>, including our NOAA Administrative Order 216–6 for NEPA, [http://www.nepa.noaa.gov/NAO216\\_6\\_TOC.pdf](http://www.nepa.noaa.gov/NAO216_6_TOC.pdf), and the Council on Environmental Quality implementation regulations, [http://ceq.eh.doe.gov/nepa/regs/ceq/toc\\_ceq.htm](http://ceq.eh.doe.gov/nepa/regs/ceq/toc_ceq.htm). Consequently, as part of an applicant's package, and under their description of their program activities, applicants are required to provide detailed information on the activities to be conducted, locations, sites, species and habitat to be affected, possible construction activities, and any environmental concerns that may exist (e.g., the use and disposal of hazardous or toxic chemicals, introduction of non-indigenous species, impacts to endangered and threatened species, aquaculture projects, and impacts to coral reef systems).

In addition to providing specific information that will serve as the basis for any required impact analyses, applicants may also be requested to assist NOAA in drafting of an environmental assessment, if NOAA determines an assessment is required. Applicants will also be required to cooperate with NOAA in identifying feasible measures to reduce or avoid any identified adverse environmental impacts of their proposal. The failure to do so shall be grounds for not selecting an application. In some cases if additional information is required after an application is selected, funds can be withheld by the Grants Officer under a special award condition requiring the recipient to submit additional environmental compliance information sufficient to enable NOAA to make an assessment on any impacts that a project may have on the environment.

The Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements contained in the **Federal Register** notice of December 30, 2004 (69 FR 78389), are applicable to this solicitation.

#### Paperwork Reduction Act

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#### Executive Order 12866

This notice has been determined to be not significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

#### Executive Order 13132 (Federalism)

It has been determined that this notice does not contain policies with Federalism implications as that term is defined in Executive Order 13132.

#### Administrative Procedure Act/Regulatory Flexibility Act

Prior notice and an opportunity for public comment are not required by the Administrative Procedure Act or any other law for rules concerning public property, loans, grants, benefits, and contracts (5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2)). Because notice and opportunity for comment are not required pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553 or any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) are inapplicable. Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis has not been prepared.

Dated: October 13, 2005.

**Mark E. Brown,**

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#### COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

#### Extension of Period of Determination on Request for Textile and Apparel Safeguard Action on Imports From China

October 17, 2005.

**AGENCY:** The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (the Committee).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Committee is extending through November 30, the period for making a determination on whether to request consultations with China regarding imports of cotton and man-made fiber curtains and drapery (Category 369 Part/666 Part).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jay Dowling, Office of Textiles and Apparel,

U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482–4058.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Authority:** Section 204 of the Agriculture Act of 1956, as amended; Executive Order 11651, as amended.

#### Background

On June 22, 2005, the Committee received a request from the American Manufacturing Trade Action Coalition, the National Council of Textile Organizations, the National Textile Association, and UNITE HERE requesting that the Committee limit imports from China of cotton and man-made fiber curtains and drapery (Category 369 Part/666 Part) due to market disruption.

The Committee determined that this request provided the information necessary for the Committee to consider the request and solicited public comments for a period of 30 days. See *Solicitation of Public Comment on Request for Textile and Apparel Safeguard Action on Imports from China*, 70 FR 41376 (July 19, 2005).

The Committee's Procedures, 68 FR 27787 (May 21, 2003) state that the Committee will make a determination within 60 calendar days of the close of the public comment period as to whether the United States will request consultations with China. If the Committee is unable to make a determination within 60 calendar days, it will cause to be published a notice in the **Federal Register**, including the date by which it will make a determination.

The 60 day determination period for this case expired on October 17, 2005. The Committee is unable to make a determination within the determination period because it is continuing to evaluate production data for cotton and man-made fiber curtains and drapery. Therefore, the Committee is extending the determination period to November 30, 2005.

**James C. Leonard III,**

*Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

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#### DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD

#### Sunshine Act Meeting

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b), notice is hereby given of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board's (Board) public hearing and meeting described below. The Board