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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Eastern Washington Cascades Provincial Advisory Committee and the Yakima Provincial Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Eastern Washington Cascades Provincial Advisory Committee and the Yakima Provincial Advisory Committee will meet on Thursday, October 23, 2008 at the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest Headquarters office, 215 Melody Lane, Wenatchee, WA. This meeting will begin at 9 a.m. and continue until 3 p.m. During this meeting Provincial Advisory Committee members will share information on new developments relating to the Northwest Forest Plan, receive an update on the Access Travel Management Plan and the Recreation Facilities Analysis Master Plan, and offer input on the future role of the Provincial Advisory Committee. All Eastern Washington Cascades and Yakima Province Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public.


Rebecca Lockett Heath,
Designated Federal Official, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest.

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ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

Notice of Proposed Small Business Set-Aside Program

AGENCY: Architect of the Capitol.

SUMMARY: The Architect of the Capitol invites comments on the proposed small business set-aside program for use with small purchases awarded by the Architect of the Capitol.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 5, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa Russell (Procurement Division), 202–226–1407, e-mail: smallbusiness@aoac.gov.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The AOC is interested in adopting a small business set-aside program that includes many of the procedural principles contained in the Small Business Act and as implemented in 13 CFR Part 121, 13 CFR Part 124, 13 CFR Part 125, 13 CFR Part 126, and 13 CFR Part 134. This program is proposed for use in conjunction with the AOC’s existing procurement authority for small purchases.

The AOC is not subject to the Administrative Procedure Act, however, the AOC Procurement Division seeks to solicit public comment on the new proposed program.

The AOC’s threshold for small purchases is $100,000. The AOC is considering whether to limit each acquisition of supplies or services that has an anticipated dollar value greater than $5,000 but not exceeding $100,000 to small business concerns. Purchases less than $100,000 is one of the exceptions to the AOC’s full and open competition requirement as noted under its procurement statute 41 U.S.C. 5 and as revised by 41 U.S.C. 6a–1 and 2 U.S.C. 1821. The AOC’s policy for purchases of $5,000 and less is to treat them in the same manner as micro-purchases in accordance with FAR Part 13.2. We believe this contemplated policy to limit each acquisition of supplies or services that has an anticipated dollar value greater than $5,000 but not exceeding $100,000 to small business concerns is also consistent with the policies and procedures of FAR Part 13, and this policy may adopt or incorporate those FAR Part 13 policies and procedures as appropriate. We also will apply this policy only when there is reasonable expectation that offers will be received from a least two responsible small business concerns.

Adoption of any existing procedure should not infer application of the Small Business Act, Administrative Procedure Act, nor any of its implementing regulations upon the AOC. The draft policies are available on http://www.aoac.gov/osdbu.cfm.

Comments on the policies should be directed to Lisa Russell at facsimile 202–225–3221 or e-mail smallbusiness@aoac.gov.

Stephen T. Ayers,
Acting Architect of the Capitol.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Notice of Petitions by Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice and Opportunity for Public Comment.

Pursuant to Section 251 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2341 et seq.), the Economic Development Administration (EDA) has received petitions for certification of eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance from the firms listed below. EDA has initiated separate investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each firm contributed importantly to the total or partial separation of the firm’s workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.

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Any party having a substantial interest in these proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A written request for a hearing must be submitted to the Office of Performance Improvement, Attention: Program Officer for TAA. William P. Kittredge, Program Officer for TAA. Dated: September 30, 2008.

For further information contact: Julia Hancock, AD/CVD Operations, Office 9, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–1394.

Supplementary Information:

Background

In accordance with sections 735(d) and 777(i)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, ("the Act"), the Department published the final determination and amended final determination of sales at less than fair value ("LTFV") in the antidumping investigation of steel wire garment hangers from the People's Republic of China ("PRC"). See Steel Wire Garment Hangers from the People's Republic of China: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, 73 FR 47587 (August 14, 2008) ("Final Determination"); Steel Wire Garment Hangers from the People's Republic of China: Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, 73 FR 53188 (September 15, 2008) ("Amended Final Determination").

Scope of the Order

The merchandise that is subject to this investigation is steel wire garment hangers, fabricated from carbon steel wire, whether or not galvanized or painted, whether or not coated with latex or epoxy or similar gripping materials, and/or whether or not fashioned with paper covers or caps (with or without printing) and/or nonslip features such as saddles or tubes. These products may also be referred to by a commercial designation, such as shirt, suit, strut, caped, or latex (industrial) hangers. Specifically excluded from the scope of this investigation are wooden, plastic, and other garment hangers that are not made of steel wire. The products subject to this investigation are currently classified under HTSUS subheading 7326.20.0020 and 7323.99.9060.

Although the HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise is dispositive.

Antidumping Duty Order

On September 29, 2008, in accordance with section 735(d) of the Act, the ITC notified the Department of its final determination, pursuant to section 735(b)(1)(A)(i) of the Act, that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of less-than-fair-value imports of subject merchandise from the PRC. Therefore, in accordance with section 736(a)(1) of the Act, the Department will direct U.S. Customs and Border Protection ("CBP") to assess, upon further instruction by the Department, antidumping duties equal to the amount by which the normal value of the merchandise exceeds the export price (or constructed export price) of the merchandise for all relevant entries of certain steel nails from the PRC. These antidumping duties will be assessed on all unliquidated entries of steel wire garment hangers from the PRC entered, or withdrawn from the warehouse, for consumption on or after March 25, 2008, the date on which the Department published its Preliminary...