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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award Panel of Judges

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of closed meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that the Panel of Judges of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award will meet Monday, November 15, 2010, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, November 16, 2010, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, November 17, 2010, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Thursday, November 18, 2010, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Friday, November 19, 2010, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The Panel of Judges is composed of twelve members prominent in the fields of quality, innovation, and performance management and appointed by the Secretary of Commerce, assembled to advise the Secretary of Commerce on the conduct of the Baldrige Award. The purpose of this meeting is to conduct the final judging of the 2010 applicants. The review process involves examination of records and discussions of applicant data, and will be closed to the public in accordance with Section 552b(c)(4) of Title 5, United States Code, because the meeting is likely to disclose trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person which is privileged or confidential.


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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List Additions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Additions to the Procurement List.

SUMMARY: This action adds products and services to the Procurement List that will be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

DATES: Effective Date: June 26, 2010.


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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Additions

On 1/22/2010 (75 FR 3714); 3/19/2010 (75 FR 13263–13264); 4/9/2010 (75 FR 18164–18165); and 4/30/2010 (75 FR 22744–22745), the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notices of proposed additions to the Procurement List.

Glove, Mechanic’s

A commercial company submitted comments objecting to the proposed addition. The comments from the company state that they manufacture gloves they claim “could be considered similar” to the gloves identified in the notice of proposed addition to the Procurement List. The company asserts that the nonprofit agency identified to produce the gloves described in the proposed Procurement List addition notice also packages and distributes other gloves in a manner which may violate certain federal statutes. The company asserts that the packaging and distribution of already manufactured products adds minimal value and does not constitute substantial transformation of the product sufficient to place the item on the Procurement List.

In this instance, the description of the work performed by the nonprofit agency sufficiently describes the actions the employees who are blind or have other severe disabilities will perform in order to provide the gloves to the government. The remaining claims of the company are speculative in nature and not related to the particular product being considered by the Committee. Nonetheless, the nonprofit agency provided a letter that certifies its intent to provide the mechanic’s gloves in compliance with the Acts cited by CamelBak in its correspondence to the Committee. Therefore, in accordance with its statutory and regulatory obligations, the Committee has evaluated this project and determined it suitable for addition to the Procurement List.

Gloves, Impact

The Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled (Committee) operates pursuant to statutory and regulatory requirements. Committee regulations state that for a commodity or service to be suitable for addition to the Procurement List each of the following criteria must be satisfied: employment potential; nonprofit agency qualifications, capability, and level of impact on the current contractor for the commodity or service.

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