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in attending, please email Abby Lindsay at LindsayA@state.gov for the specific time and place. To ensure timely consideration, please submit comments and suggestions in writing no later than January 3, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Please submit written comments or suggestions via e-mail (LindsayA@state.gov) or fax (202) 647–5947) to Abby Lindsay, Office of Environmental Policy, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, U.S. Department of State, with the subject line "U.S.-Oman Joint Forum Meeting."

For those with access to the Internet, comments may be submitted at the following address: http://www.regulations.gov/search/Regs/home.html#home.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Abby Lindsay, Telephone (202) 647–8772.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In Section 2 of the U.S.-Oman Memorandum of Understanding on Environmental Cooperation, the United States and Oman announced the establishment of a Joint Forum on Environmental Cooperation. The mandate of the Joint Forum is to broaden and deepen effective cooperation on environmental issues between Oman and the United States. It was intended provide a venue for the two Governments to discuss ways in which they could work together to strengthen the capacity of Oman to protect and conserve the environment. The Joint Forum is expected to develop a Plan of Action towards meeting this goal.

The 2006–2008 Work Program identified priorities for environmental cooperation between the United States and Oman, with the goal of building human and institutional capacity in the management and conservation of natural resources. The priorities were: (a) Environmental laws and regulations, (b) Environmental impact assessments, (c) Environmental initiatives, (d) Public participation in environmental protection, (e) Integrated water resources management and protection, (f) Coastal protection and preservation of marine resources, (g) Protected area management and conservation of flora and fauna, (h) Cleaner production and environmental technology, (i) Chemical hazardous waste management and disposal, and (j) Environmental disaster preparedness. Some indicative actions the U.S. and Oman have undertaken in these areas include workshops on environmental impact assessment, a regional workshop for CITES Management Authorities, and a course on public participation in environmental law. Ongoing work includes technical assistance to Oman on marine turtle conservation and cooperation on sustainable tourism in protected areas. The Department of the Interior, the Environmental Protection Agency, the United States Coast Guard, and others have been involved in implementing these activities. Officials from U.S. and Omani agencies will present and discuss their activities at the Joint Forum meeting.

In the 2011–2014 Plan of Action, we seek to build upon the progress made in the previous Work Program and anticipate defining four main priority areas for cooperation activities: Institutional and policy strengthening for effective implementation and enforcement of environmental laws, including natural resource-related laws; Biodiversity conservation and improved management of protected areas, and other ecologically important ecosystems; Improved private sector environmental performance; and Environmental education, transparency and public participation in environmental decision-making and enforcement. At the meeting, the Joint Forum will review cooperation activities and the two Governments are expected to sign the new Plan of Action.

Dated: December 9, 2010.

Willem H. Brakel,
Director, Office of Environmental Policy, Department of State.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

Federal Highway Administration

**Buy America Waiver Notification**

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is to rescind the FHWA’s Buy America waiver for the use of non-domestic steel pipe; A53 Grade B, 26” OD, 0.375” wall for the construction of a Recovery Act project on SR 60 in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

**DATES:** The effective date of the rescission is December 16, 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions about this notice, please contact Mr. Gerald Yakovenko, FHWA Office of Program Administration, (202) 366–1582, or via e-mail at gerald.yakovenko@dot.gov. For legal questions, please contact Mr. Michael Harkins, FHWA Office of the Chief Counsel, (202) 366–4928, or via e-mail at michael.harkins@dot.gov. Office hours for the FHWA are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., est., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Electronic Access**


**Background**

The FHWA’s Buy America policy in 23 CFR 635.410 requires a domestic manufacturing process for any steel or iron products (including the application of protective coatings) that are permanently incorporated in a Federal-aid construction project. The regulation also provides for a waiver of the Buy America requirements when the application would be inconsistent with the public interest or when satisfactory quality domestic steel and iron products are not sufficiently available. This notice is to rescind the Buy America waiver that was processed and published in the Federal Register on October 19, 2010, at 75 FR 64394, for the use of non-domestic steel pipe; A53 Grade B, 26” OD, 0.375” wall for a portion of sign support structure no. S–28760 proposed for Recovery Act project on SR 60 in Allegheny County, PA.

During the notice and comment period leading up to the publication of the October 19 notice, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) considered the use of steel pipe API 5L, Grade B, PSL 2 as an alternate equivalent product to steel pipe A53 Grade B, 26” OD, 0.375” wall. However, it appeared that the steel slab to be used in the production of the pipe was not available domestically. During the 15-day comment period following the publication of the October 19 notice, the FHWA received a comment that steel pipe API 5L, including the steel slab to be used in production, could be produced domestically. After verifying that PennDOT is willing to approve the use of API 5L, Grade B, PSL 2 as an alternate to steel pipe A53 Grade B, 26” OD, 0.375” wall and verifying that API 5L, Grade B, PSL 2 can be produced domestically, the FHWA has determined that a Buy America waiver for steel pipe A53 Grade B, 26” OD, 0.375” wall is no longer necessary. Therefore, the Buy America waiver issued on October 19 in the Federal Register (75 FR 64394) for steel pipe...