DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration

Notice of Solicitation of Applications
for Allocation of Tariff Rate Quotas
on the Import of Certain Worsted Wool Fabrics to Persons Who Weave Such Fabrics in the United States

AGENCY: Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration.

ACTION: The Department of Commerce (Department) is soliciting applications for an allocation of the 2014 tariff rate quotas on certainworsted wool fabrics to persons who weave such fabrics in the United States.

SUMMARY: The Department hereby solicits applications from persons (including firms, corporations, or other legal entities) who weave worsted wool fabrics in the United States for an allocation of the 2014 tariff rate quotas on certain worsted wool fabrics. Interested persons must submit an application on the form provided at http://otexa.ita.doc.gov/wooltrq/wool_fabric.htm


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Title V of the Trade and Development Act of 2000 (the Act) created two tariff rate quotas (TRQs), providing for temporary reductions in the import duties on limited quantities of two categories of worsted wool fabrics suitable for use in making suits, suit-type jackets, or trousers: (1) for worsted wool fabric with average fiber diameters of 18.5 microns or less (HTS heading 9902.51.12). On August 6, 2002, President Bush signed into law the Trade Act of 2002, which includes several amendments to Title V of the Act. On December 3, 2004, the Act was further amended pursuant to the Miscellaneous Trade Act of 2004, Public Law 108–429. The 2004 amendment included authority for the Department to allocate a TRQ for a new HTS category, HTS 9902.51.16. This HTS category refers to worsted wool fabrics with average fiber diameters of 18.5 microns or less. The amendment provided that HTS 9902.51.16 is for the benefit of persons (including firms, corporations, or other legal entities) who weave such worsted wool fabrics in the United States suitable for making men’s and boys’ suits. The TRQ for HTS 9902.51.16 provided for temporary reductions in the import duties on 2,000,000 square meters annually for 2005 and 2006. The amendment requires that the TRQ be allocated to persons who weave worsted wool fabrics with average fiber diameters of 18.5 microns or less, which are suitable for use in making men’s and boys’ suits, in the United States. On August 17, 2006, the Act was further amended pursuant to the Pension Protection Act of 2006, Public Law 109–280, which extended the TRQ for HTS 9902.51.16 through 2009. The Senate-passed Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 extended the TRQ for HTS 9902.51.16 through 2014.

On October 24, 2005, the Department adopted final regulations establishing procedures for allocating the TRQ. See 70 FR 61363; 19 CFR part 335. In order to be eligible for an allocation, an applicant must submit an application on the form provided at http://otexa.ita.doc.gov/wooltrq/wool_fabric.htm to the address listed above by 5 p.m. on October 15, 2013 in compliance with the requirements of 19 CFR part 335. Any business confidential information that is marked business confidential will be kept confidential and protected from disclosure to the full extent permitted by law.


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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Pacific Fishery Management Council
(Pacific Council); Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Council’s Salmon Technical Team (STT), Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) Salmon Subcommittee, and Model Evaluation Workgroup (MEW) will review proposed salmon methodology changes in a joint work session, which is open to the public.

DATES: The work session will be held Tuesday, October 1, 2013, from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, October 2, 2013, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and, if necessary to complete business, Thursday, October 3, 2013, from 9 a.m. to noon.

ADDRESSES: The work session will be held at the Holiday Inn Portland Airport, Mt. Bachelor Room, 8439 NE Columbia Blvd., Portland, OR 97220; telephone: (503) 256–5000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mike Burner, Staff Officer; telephone: (503) 820–2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the work session is to discuss and review proposed changes to analytical methods used in salmon management. A list of potential topics for the work session includes but is not limited to: Oregon coastal natural coho marine survival rate index, Lower Columbia River natural coho matrix control rules, forecast methodologies for the Sacramento fall Chinook index, and improved modeling of sublegal Chinook encounters. The final list of topics for consideration at the work session is scheduled to be adopted by the Council at their September 12–17, 2013 meeting in Boise, ID.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may come before the STT, SSC Salmon Subcommittee, and MEW for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act,