

Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202–205–2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server (<https://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Background.*—This investigation is being instituted, pursuant to section 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1673b(a)), in response to a petition filed on March 28, 2019, by Cooper Natural Resources, Inc., Fort Worth, Texas; Elementis Global LLC, East Windsor, New Jersey; and Searles Valley Minerals, Inc., Overland Park, Kansas.

For further information concerning the conduct of this investigation and rules of general application, consult the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, part 201, subparts A and B (19 CFR part 201), and part 207, subparts A and B (19 CFR part 207).

*Participation in the investigation and public service list.*—Persons (other than petitioners) wishing to participate in the investigation as parties must file an entry of appearance with the Secretary to the Commission, as provided in sections 201.11 and 207.10 of the Commission's rules, not later than seven days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. Industrial users and (if the merchandise under investigation is sold at the retail level) representative consumer organizations have the right to appear as parties in Commission antidumping duty investigations. The Secretary will prepare a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to this investigation upon the expiration of the period for filing entries of appearance.

*Limited disclosure of business proprietary information (BPI) under an administrative protective order (APO) and BPI service list.*—Pursuant to section 207.7(a) of the Commission's rules, the Secretary will make BPI gathered in this investigation available to authorized applicants representing interested parties (as defined in 19 U.S.C. 1677(9)) who are parties to the investigation under the APO issued in the investigation, provided that the application is made not later than seven days after the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. A separate service list will be maintained by the Secretary for those parties authorized to receive BPI under the APO.

*Conference.*—The Commission's Director of Investigations has scheduled

a conference in connection with this investigation for 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 18, 2019, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC. Requests to appear at the conference should be emailed to [preliminaryconferences@usitc.gov](mailto:preliminaryconferences@usitc.gov) (DO NOT FILE ON EDIS) on or before Tuesday, April 16, 2019. Parties in support of the imposition of antidumping duties in this investigation and parties in opposition to the imposition of such duties will each be collectively allocated one hour within which to make an oral presentation at the conference. A nonparty who has testimony that may aid the Commission's deliberations may request permission to present a short statement at the conference.

*Written submissions.*—As provided in sections 201.8 and 207.15 of the Commission's rules, any person may submit to the Commission on or before April 23, 2019, a written brief containing information and arguments pertinent to the subject matter of the investigation. Parties may file written testimony in connection with their presentation at the conference. All written submissions must conform with the provisions of section 201.8 of the Commission's rules; any submissions that contain BPI must also conform with the requirements of sections 201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules. The Commission's Handbook on E-Filing, available on the Commission's website at <https://edis.usitc.gov>, elaborates upon the Commission's rules with respect to electronic filing.

In accordance with sections 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the rules, each document filed by a party to the investigation must be served on all other parties to the investigation (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

**Authority:** This investigation is being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to section 207.12 of the Commission's rules.

By order of the Commission.

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**INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION**

[Docket No. 1210–007]

**Possible Modifications to the International Harmonized System Nomenclature**

**AGENCY:** United States International Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Request for proposals to amend the International Harmonized System tariff nomenclature.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is requesting proposals from interested persons and agencies to amend the International Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (Harmonized System or HS) in connection with the Seventh Review Cycle of the World Customs Organization (WCO), with a view to keeping the Harmonized System current with changes in technology and trade patterns. The proposals will be reviewed by the Commission, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), and the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census (Census), for potential submission by the U.S. Government to the WCO in Brussels, Belgium.

**DATES:** Suggested deadline for submissions: March 31, 2020.

This date allows adequate time for proposals to be considered for submission for the 2027 Harmonized System five-year revision cycle. Proposals must be submitted to the relevant committees of the WCO by no later than November 2022 to enable the WCO to approve all recommended amendments in June 2024. This timing will enable member countries to make such changes as are necessary in their national tariff schedules to meet the January 1, 2027 target date for implementation of amendments by countries using the HS.

**ADDRESSES:** All Commission offices are located in the United States International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC. All written submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. The public record for this collection of proposals may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Barbara Elkins, Office of Tariff Affairs and Trade Agreements (202–205–2253, fax 202–205–2616, [barbara.elkins@usitc.gov](mailto:barbara.elkins@usitc.gov)). The media should contact Margaret O'Laughlin, Office of External Affairs (202–205–1819,

*margaret.olaughlin@usitc.gov*). Hearing impaired individuals may obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal at 202-205-1810. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet website (<http://www.usitc.gov/>). Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000.

**Background:** The Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS) was approved by Congress in the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988, (Pub. L. 100-418; 19 U.S.C. 3007) (1988 Act) and became effective on January 1, 1989. The HTS incorporates within its legal structure the rules of interpretation, legal notes, and nomenclature categories of the international HS, and provides additional product provisions for U.S. rate of duty and statistical purposes. Because it was clear that the HS would need to be updated over time, Congress enacted section 1205 (19 U.S.C. 3005) of the 1988 Act to provide for Commission investigations and recommendations to the President pertaining to specific types of changes to the HTS. Pursuant to the authority of section 1205(a), the Commission conducts investigations to recommend to the President changes to the HTS that result from the WCO's five-year review cycles.

Congress also established a process for U.S. involvement in the work of the WCO in administering and updating the HS. Section 1210 of the 1988 Act (19 U.S.C. 3010) designates the Commission, the U.S. Department of the Treasury, and the U.S. Department of Commerce, subject to the policy direction of the Office of U.S. Trade Representative (USTR), as the principal agencies responsible for formulating U.S. Government positions on technical and procedural issues and in representing the U.S. Government in activities of the WCO relating to the HS. The USTR subsequently designated the Commission to lead the U.S. delegation to the HS Review Sub-Committee (RSC), which is responsible for considering amendments to the HS in order to keep the HS current with changes in technology and patterns of international trade (see 53 FR 45646, Nov. 10, 1988). Commission staff also participates in the U.S. delegations to the Harmonized System Committee (HSC), the parent body of the RSC, as well as the Scientific Sub-Committee (SSC) that provides scientific analysis and recommendations to the HSC.

The HS was adopted internationally by means of a WCO convention, which

recognizes that the HS should be kept up to date in light of changes in technology and patterns of international trade. The HS nomenclature structure, now used by nearly all countries in their national tariff schedules, provides a uniform basis for classifying and reporting goods for tariff and statistical purposes. The HS structure includes the broadest descriptive product categories reflected in the HTS, thereby providing the general rules for the interpretation of the nomenclature, section and chapter titles, section and chapter legal notes, and the 4-digit headings and 6-digit subheadings covering all goods in international trade. The HTS also includes additional U.S. rules of interpretation and notes, 8-digit subheadings establishing rates of duty, and 10-digit non-legal statistical provisions, as well as special duty provisions in chapters 98 and 99 and several appendices. These national legal and statistical provisions and the final two chapters are not part of the international HS review process for which proposals are being requested, and thus no requests for changes in U.S. tariff rate lines or rates of duty will be acted upon.

By way of further background, shortly after implementation of the HS in 1988, the RSC began a series of systematic reviews of the HS. Reviews result in WCO recommendations to those countries using the HS, so that they have a basis for updating their national tariffs to reflect international amendments. In the current review cycle, members' proposals to amend the HS will be examined, and the RSC will forward its final proposed amendments to the HSC in November 2023, so the HSC can agree upon the changes to be included in the WCO recommendation to countries using the HS, that is scheduled to be issued in June 2024. Members then undertake domestic legal processes, similar to the U.S. process in section 1205, with the targeted implementation date for this set of amendments by all countries using the HS being January 1, 2027.

Through this notice the Commission is seeking proposals to amend the HS, specifically the 4- and 6-digit product categories and associated legal notes. Proposals received will be made a part of the Commission's record keeping system and available for public inspection (with the exception of any confidential business information) through the Commission's record files and through the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS).

An up-to-date copy of the HTS, which incorporates the international HS in its overall structure, can be found on the

Commission's website (<http://www.usitc.gov/tata/hts/bychapter/index.htm>). Information concerning locations where copies in print or on CD can be found at the following link, <https://www.govinfo.gov/app/search> or by contacting GPO Access at the Government Printing Office (866-512-1800).

**Request for Proposals:** The Commission is seeking proposals for specific modifications to the international Harmonized System (section and chapter notes, and the texts of 4-digit headings and 6-digit subheadings) that would describe new products or technologies, modify or eliminate unclear or obsolete categories, or otherwise advance the goals set out by the HS Convention. No proposals for changes to U.S. national-level provisions (including Additional U.S. Notes, 8-digit subheadings, 10-digit statistical annotations, and rates of duty) will be considered by the Commission as part of this review. Interested parties, associations, and government agencies should submit specific language for proposed amendments to the HS, together with appropriate descriptive comments and, to the extent available, relevant trade data. The implementation of changes in the international HS by the United States is intended to be tariff-neutral.

As part of this review, the Commission particularly invites proposals concerning the following matters:

- The deletion of HS headings or subheadings with low trade volume;
- The creation of separate 4-digit headings or 6-digit subheadings to identify types of products that are important in international trade but are not adequately classified;
- The simplification of the HS, whether by the modification of provisions for greater clarity or the elimination of provisions that are difficult to administer; and/or
- The suggestion of other changes that would improve the classification of products, especially those being exported from the United States, or assist in the administration of the HS and the more uniform classification of goods internationally.

Proposals received in connection with this notice will be considered by the interagency U.S. delegation to the RSC. When the WCO later makes recommendations as part of the Seventh Review Cycle, the Commission will prepare a report setting out the needed changes in the HTS that would reflect the HS changes while maintaining existing duty treatment. The

Commission will publish notice and seek the views of interested parties in connection with this work, resulting in final recommendations to the President in accordance with section 1205 of the 1988 Act.

This notice does not seek proposals for changes to the HS Explanatory Notes, which are maintained by the WCO and are reviewed separately. However, requests for changes to current Explanatory Notes (not arising from potential 2027 legal amendments to the HS) may be sent by a WCO member government directly to the HSC at any time. Government agencies and private sector parties interested in such action should contact the Commission (see contacts above) or the following CBP officials: Myles B. Harmon, Director, Commercial & Trade Facilitation Division, 202–325–0276, or Parisa Ghazi, Acting Branch Chief, FTM Branch, 202–325–0272.

**Written Submissions:** Interested persons and agencies are invited to submit written proposals, which should be addressed to the Secretary to the Commission and received no later than March 31, 2020. Although submissions will be accepted after this date, it is recommended that proposals be submitted as soon as possible to ensure full consideration in the seventh HS review cycle. Submissions should be marked with a reference to “Docket No. 1210–007”.

All written submissions must conform with the provisions of section 201.8 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.8). Section 201.8 of the Commission’s rules require the filing of all submissions with the Secretary electronically, (see Handbook for Electronic Filing Procedures, [https://www.usitc.gov/documents/handbook\\_on\\_filing\\_procedures.pdf](https://www.usitc.gov/documents/handbook_on_filing_procedures.pdf)). Persons with questions regarding electronic filing should contact the Secretary (202–205–2000).

Submission will preferably be public, but in the event that confidential treatment of a document is requested, a non-confidential version must also be filed (see the following paragraph for further information regarding confidential business information). Any submissions that contain confidential business information must also conform with the requirements of section 201.6 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.6). Section 201.6 of the rules requires that the cover of the document and the individual pages be clearly marked as to whether they are the “confidential” or “non-confidential” version, and that the confidential business information be clearly identified by means of brackets.

All written submissions, except for confidential business information, will be made available for inspection by interested parties. Confidential business information received in the proposals may be made available to Customs and Census during the examination of these proposals. The Commission will not otherwise publish or release any confidential business information received, nor release it to other government agencies or other persons.

By order of the Commission.

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**Katherine Hiner,**

*Acting Secretary to the Commission.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[OMB Number 1105–NEW]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection Activities; Proposed eComments Requested; Proposed USMS Promotional Vendor Registration Website

**AGENCY:** U.S. Marshals Service, Department of Justice.

**ACTION:** 60-Day notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Justice (DOJ), U.S. Marshals Service (USMS), will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until June 3, 2019.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have additional comments, particularly with respect to the estimated public burden or associated response time, have suggestions, need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or desire any additional information, please contact Nicole Timmons either by mail at CG–3, 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20530–0001, by email at [Nicole.Timmons@usdoj.gov](mailto:Nicole.Timmons@usdoj.gov), or by telephone at 202–236–2646.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

—Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the

functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;  
 —Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;  
 —Evaluate whether and if so how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; and  
 —Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

### Overview of This Information Collection

1. *Type of Information Collection (check justification or form 83):* New collection.
2. *The Title of the Form/Collection:* USMS Promotional Vendor Registration website.
3. *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* Form number (if applicable): [None] Component: U.S. Marshals Service, U.S. Department of Justice.
4. *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:*

*Primary:* Business or other for-profit.  
*Other (if applicable):* [None]  
*Abstract:* This website will allow vendors to request to be registered as a vendor of USMS promotional items. They will be asked to provide their business’s contact information as well as to specify the item(s) they wish to produce bearing the USMS seal or badge design. Vendors must agree to certain restrictions in the distribution of items bearing the USMS seal or badge design, such as adhering to the requirements set forth in 18 U.S.C. 709, *False advertising or misuse of names to indicate Federal agency*. Approved vendors will be asked to maintain their profile in order to keep the database up-to-date and to recertify their profile is correct every two years.
5. *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* An estimated 150 respondents will utilize the form, and it will take each respondent approximately 30 minutes to complete the form.
6. *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* The estimated annual public burden associated with this collection is