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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**International Trade Administration****Export Trade Certificate of Review****ACTION:** Notice of Clarification.

SUMMARY: On Thursday, October 5, 1995, the Office of Export Trading Company Affairs, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, notified, at 60 FR 52162, receipt of an application for an Export Trade Certificate of Review (Certificate) from the Water and Wastewater Equipment Manufacturers Association (WWEMA). Attachment I of the notice identified twenty-five WWEMA member companies who were applying for protection under the Certificate. This notice provides clarification of the identity of three of the prospective members of the Certificate. It also notifies that one of the twenty-five members will no longer be seeking protection under the Certificate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: W. Dawn Busby, Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs, International Trade Administration, (202) 482-5131. This is not a toll-free number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title III of the Export Trading Company Act of 1982 (15 U.S.C. 4001-21) authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to issue Export Trade Certificates of Review. A Certificate of Review protects the holder and the members identified in the Certificate from state and federal government antitrust actions and from private treble damage antitrust actions for the export conduct specified in the Certificate and carried out in compliance with its terms and conditions. Section 302(b)(1) of the Act and 15 CFR 325.6(a) require the Secretary to publish a notice in the Federal Register identifying the applicant and summarizing its proposed export conduct.

On Thursday, October 5, 1995, the Office of Export Trading Company Affairs, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, notified, at 60 FR 52162, receipt of an application for an Export Trade Certificate of Review (Certificate) from the Water and Wastewater Equipment Manufacturers Association (WWEMA). Attachment I of the notice identified twenty-five WWEMA member

companies who were applying for protection under the Certificate. The Office of Export Trading Company Affairs hereby notifies a clarification of the identity of the following prospective members of the Certificate:

1. Bailey-Fischer & Porter Company, of Warminster, Pennsylvania is a unit of Elsgag Bailey Process Automation N.V. Attachment I should therefore read: Elsgag Bailey Process Automation N.V. for the activities of its unit Bailey-Fischer & Porter Company.

2. General Signal Pump Group, of North Aurora, Illinois, is a unit of General Signal Corporation. Attachment I should therefore read: General Signal Corporation for the activities of its unit General Signal Pump Group.

3. In addition to The Gorman-Rupp Company, of Mansfield, Ohio, and Patterson Pump Co., of Toccoa, Georgia (a wholly owned subsidiary of The Gorman-Rupp Company), Attachment I should also include: The Gorman-Rupp International Company, of Mansfield, Ohio (a wholly owned subsidiary of The Gorman-Rupp Company).

In addition, the Office of Export Trading Company Affairs notes that Zimpro Environmental, Inc., of Rotschild, Wisconsin, is no longer seeking protection under the Certificate.

Dated: April 11, 1996.

W. Dawn Busby,

Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs.

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National Institute of Standards and Technology

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Grant Funds—Materials Science and Engineering Laboratory—Availability of Funds

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to inform potential applicants that the Materials Science and Engineering Laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), is continuing its program for grants and cooperative agreements in the following fields of research: Ceramics, Metallurgy, Polymer Sciences, Neutron Scattering Research and Spectroscopy. Each applicant must submit one signed original and two copies of each proposal along with a Grant Application (Standard Form 424 REV. 4/92 and

other required forms), as referenced under the provisions of OMB Circular A-110 and 15 CFR 24. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 11.609: "Measurement and Engineering Research and Standards."

DATES: Applications will be received through September 30, 1996. Applicants should allow up to 120 days processing time.

ADDRESSES: Applications should be submitted to The National Institute of Standards and Technology, Materials Science and Engineering Laboratory, Building 223, Room A305, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-0001; Attention: Patty Salpino. Each application package should be clearly marked to identify the field of research.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Technical inquiries should be directed to the following Program Managers: Dr. Ronald Munro—(301) 975-6127 [Ceramics Division], Bruno Fanconi—(301) 975-6762 [Polymers Division], John Manning—(301) 975-6157 [Metallurgy Division—transformations, phases, microstructure and kinetic processes in metals and their alloys], Dr. Neville Pugh—(301) 975-5960 [Metallurgy Division—sensors for analytical models for metallurgical processes], Richard Ricker—(301) 975-6023 [Metallurgy Division—degradation of materials in their service environment], John Rush—(301) 976-6220 [Reactor Radiation Division]. Inquiries should be general in nature. Specific inquiries as to a laboratory's needs, the usefulness or merit of any particular project, or other inquiries with the potential to provide any competitive advantage to an applicant are not acceptable.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Eligibility: Academic institutions, non-Federal agencies, independent and industrial laboratories are eligible to apply.

Authority: As authorized 15 U.S.C. 272 (b)(6) and (c)(16), the Materials Science and Engineering Laboratory conducts a basic and applied research program directly and through grants and cooperative agreements to eligible recipients.

Funding Availability: Approximately \$500,000 will be available to support grants and cooperative agreements under this program. This level of funding is subject to change under Fiscal Year 1996 Department of Commerce Appropriations Act.

Type of Funding Instrument: The Materials Science and Engineering Laboratory Grants Program is limited to innovative ideas generated by the

proposal writer on what research will be performed and how. Grants awarded under the MSEL program will generally provide financial assistance to the recipient without substantial NIST involvement in the projects. Cooperative agreements awarded for MSEL projects will generally involve a close working relationship between a group of NIST experts and the recipient.

Award Period: Any financial assistance whether for grants or cooperative agreements, will be provided on a one (1) year period.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES: All proposals submitted must be in accordance with the program objectives listed below. The appropriate Program Manager for each field of research may be contacted for clarification of the program objectives.

I. Ceramics Division, 852—The primary objective is to supplement division activities in the area of ceramic processing, tribology, composites, machining, interfacial chemistry, and microstructural analysis.

II. Polymers Division, 854—The primary objective is to support Division programs in polymer blends, composites, electrical applications and dental polymeric materials through participation in research on synthesis, processing and characterization of structure, and mechanical and electrical properties.

III. Metallurgy Division, 855—The primary objective is to develop techniques to predict, measure and control transformations, phases, microstructure and kinetic processes in metals and their alloys.

IV. Metallurgy Division, 855—The primary objective is to develop new and improved sensors, measurement techniques, and analytical models for metallurgical processes in order to facilitate the development and adoption of intelligent processing systems for materials.

V. Reactor Radiation Division, 856—The primary objective is to develop high resolution cold and thermal neutron research approaches and related physics, chemistry, macromolecular and materials applications.

Proposal Review Process: Proposals will be reviewed by a panel of individuals knowledgeable about the particular scientific area described above that the proposal addresses. Both the technical value of a proposal and the relationship of the work proposed to the needs of the specific NIST program will be taken into consideration.

Evaluation Criteria: The criteria to be used in evaluating the proposal include: Rationality (coherence of approach, relation to scientific/technical issues),

Qualifications of Technical Personnel, Resources Availability, and Technical Merit of Contribution. Each of these factors will be given equal weight in the evaluation process.

Matching Requirements: There are no matching requirements.

Application Kit: An application kit, containing all required applications forms and certifications is available by calling Patty Salpino at (301) 975-5731. An application kit includes the following:

SF 424 (Rev 4/92)—Application for Federal Assistance

SF 424 A (Rev 4/92)—Budget Information—Non-Construction Programs

SF 424B (Rev 4/92)—Assurances—Non-Construction Programs

CD 511 (7/91)—Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility matters; Drug-Free Workplace Requirements and Lobbying

CD 512 (7/91)—Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusions—Lower Tier Covered Transactions and Lobbying

SF-LLL—Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

Selection Procedures: The chief of each division will make the final award selection, taking into account the score received by the applicant and the compatibility of the applicant's proposal with the relationship to the mission of the particular division that the proposal addresses. Award will not necessarily be made to the highest-scored applicants.

Paperwork Reduction Act: The Standard Form 424 and Standard Form LLL mentioned in this notice are subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act and have been approved by OMB under Control Numbers 0348-0043 and 0348-0046.

Primary Application Certification: All primary applicants must submit a completed form CD-511, "Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; Drug-Free Workplace Requirements and Lobbying," and the following explanations are hereby provided:

1. *Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension.* Prospective participants (as defined at 15 CFR Part 26, Section 105) are subject to 15 CFR part 26, "Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension" and the related section of the certification form prescribed above applies;

2. *Drug-Free Workplace.* Grantees (as defined at 15 CFR Part 26, Section 605) are subject to 15 CFR Part 26, Subpart

F, "Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)" and the related section of the certification form prescribed above applies;

3. *Anti-Lobbying.* Persons (as defined at 15 CFR part 28, section 105) are subject to the lobbying provisions of 31 U.S.C. 1352, "Limitation on use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracting and financial transactions," and the lobbying section of the certification form prescribed above applies to applications/bids for grants, cooperative agreements, and contracts for more than \$100,000, and loans and loan guarantees for more than \$150,000, or the single family maximum mortgage limit for affected programs, whichever is greater.

4. *Anti-Lobbying Disclosure.* Any applicant that has paid or will pay for lobbying using any funds must submit an SF-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," as required under 15 CFR part 28, Appendix B.

5. *Lower-Tier Certifications.* Recipients shall require applicants/bidders for subgrants, contracts, subcontracts, or other lower tier covered transactions at any tier under the award to submit, if applicable, a completed Form CD-512, "Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier Covered Transaction and Lobbying" and disclosure form, SF-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities." Form CD-512 is intended for the use of recipients and should not be transmitted to NIST. SF-LLL submitted by any tier recipient or subrecipient should be submitted to NIST in accordance with the instructions contained in the award document.

Preaward Activities: Applicants who incur any costs prior to an award being made do so solely at their own risk of not being reimbursed by the Government. Notwithstanding any verbal assurance that may have been provided, there is no obligation on the part of NIST to cover preaward costs.

No Obligation for Future funding: If an application is accepted for funding, DoC has no obligation to provide any additional future funding in connection with that award. Renewal of an award to increase funding or extend the period of performance is at the total discretion of NIST.

Past Performance: Unsatisfactory performance under prior Federal awards may result in an application not being considered for funding.

Name Check Reviews: All for-profit and nonprofit applicants will be subject to a name check review process. Name checks are intended to reveal if any key individuals associated with the

applicant have been convicted of or are presently facing criminal charges such as fraud, theft, perjury, or other matters which significantly reflect on the applicant's management, honesty, or financial integrity.

False Statements: A false statement on an application is grounds for denial or termination of funds, and grounds for possible punishment by a fine or imprisonment as provided in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

Delinquent Federal Debts: No award of Federal funds shall be made to an applicant who has an outstanding delinquent Federal debt until either:

1. The delinquent account is paid in full,
2. A negotiated repayment schedule is established and at least one payment is received, or
3. Other arrangements satisfactory to DoC are made.

Purchase of American-Made Equipment and Products: Applicants are hereby notified that they are encouraged, to the extent feasible, to purchase American-made equipment and products with funding provided under this program.

Indirect Costs: The total dollar amount of the indirect costs proposed in an application under this program must not exceed the indirect cost rate negotiated and approved by a cognizant Federal agency prior to the proposed effective date of the award or 100 percent of the total proposed direct costs dollar amount in the application, whichever is less.

Federal Policies and Procedures: Awards under the Materials Science and Engineering Laboratory Research Program shall be subject to all Federal laws and Federal and Departmental regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to financial assistance awards. The Materials Science and Engineering Grants Program does not directly affect any state or local government. Accordingly, the Department of Commerce has determined that Executive Order 12372 is not applicable to the Materials Science and Engineering Grants Program.

This funding notice has been determined to be not significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

Dated: April 11, 1996.

Samuel Kramer,

Associate Director.

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Approval of Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 128-2, Computer Graphics Metafile (CGM)

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to announce that the Secretary of Commerce has approved a revision of Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) 128-1, Computer Graphics Metafile (CGM) which will be published as FIPS Publication 128-2. This revision adopts voluntary industry specification American National Standards Institute/International Organization for Standardization (ANSI/ISO) Computer Graphics Metafile (CGM), ANSI/ISO 8632.1-4:1992 [1994], ISO 8632:1992/Amd. 1:1994, ISO 8632:1992/Amd. 2:1995 and three CGM profiles. This revised standard supersedes FIPS 128-1 in its entirety.

On April 3, 1995, notice was published in the Federal Register (60 FR 16850-16854) that a Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) 128-2, Computer Graphics Metafile (CGM) was being proposed for Federal use.

The written comments submitted by interested parties and other material available to the Department relevant to this standard were reviewed by NIST. On the basis of this review, NIST recommended that the Secretary approve the revised standard as Federal Information Processing Standards Publication (FIPS PUB) 128-2, and prepared a detailed justification document for the Secretary's review in support of that recommendation.

The detailed justification document which was presented to the Secretary, and which includes an analysis of the written comments received, is part of the public record and is available for inspection and copying in the Department's Central Reference and Records Inspection Facility, Room 6020, Herbert C. Hoover Building, 14th Street between Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

This FIPS contains two sections: (1) An announcement section, which provides information concerning the applicability, implementation, and maintenance of the standard; and (2) a specifications section, which deals with the technical requirements of the standard. Only the announcement section of the standard is provided in this notice.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This standard becomes effective November 1, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties may purchase copies of this standard, including the technical specifications section, from the National Technical Information Service (NTIS). Specific ordering information from NTIS for this standard is set out in the Where to Obtain Copies Section of the announcement section of the standard.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Lynne Rosenthal, telephone (301) 975-3353, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899.

Dated: April 11, 1996.

Samuel Kramer,

Associate Director.

Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 128-2

Announcing the Standard for Computer Graphics Metafile (CGM)

Federal Information Processing Standards Publications (FIPS PUBS) are issued by the national Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) after approval by the Secretary of Commerce pursuant to Section 5131 of the information Technology Management Reform Act of 1996 and the Computer Security Act of 1987, Public Law 104-106.

1. Name of Standard. Computer Graphics Metafile (CGM) (FIPS PUB 128-2).

2. Category of Standard. Software Standard, Graphics.

3. Explanation. This publication is a revision of FIPS PUB 128-1. This revision supersedes FIPS PUB 128-1 in its entirety and modifies the standard by:

(1) Adopting the Computer Graphics Metafile standard designated, ANSI/ISO 8632.1-4:1992[1994], and CGM Amendment 1: Rules for Profiles, ISO 8632:1992/Amd. 1:1994, and CGM Amendment 2: Application structuring extensions, ISO 8632:1992/Amd. 2:1995;

(2) Requiring the use of conforming profiles. Conformance of metafiles (i.e., data files) and implementations (i.e., generators and interpreters) is defined in terms of conformance to profiles; and

(3) adopting several profiles, one of which is required for implementation of this FIPS PUB.

FIPS PUB 128-2 adopts the American National Standards Institute/International Organization for Standardization (ANSI/ISO) 8632.1-4:1992[1994], ISO 8632:1992/Amd. 1:1994, ISO 8632:1992/Amd. 2:1995, and the following profiles: