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ARCTIC RESEARCH COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

May 22, 1997.

Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Arctic Research Commission will hold its 47th Meeting in Woods Hole, MA on June 9 and 10, 1997. On the morning of Monday, June 9, the Business Session open to the public will convene at 9:00 a.m. in the Meigs Room of the Marine Biological Laboratory's Swope Center in Woods Hole, MA. Agenda items include:

- (1) Call to order and approval of the Agenda.
- (2) Approval of the minutes of the 46th Meeting.
- (3) Reports of Congressional Liaisons.
- (4) Agency Reports.

On Tuesday, June 10, the Business Session will continue. The focus of the Business Session will be on terrestrial research in the Arctic.

The business meeting will be followed by an Executive Session followed by adjournment of the 47th Meeting.

Any person planning to attend this meeting who requires special accessibility features and/or auxiliary aids, such as sign language interpreters must inform the Commission in advance of those needs.

Contact Person for More Information: Dr. Garrett W. Brass, Executive Director, Arctic Research Commission, 703-525-0111 or TDD 703-306-0090.

Garrett W. Brass,
Executive Director.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Additions

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

ACTION: Proposed Additions to Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee has received proposals to add to the Procurement List services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE: June 30, 1997.

ADDRESS: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Square 3, Suite 403, 1735 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3461.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman, (703) 603-7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 47(a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the possible impact of the proposed actions.

If the Committee approves the proposed addition, all entities of the Federal Government (except as otherwise indicated) will be required to procure the services listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the services to the Government.
2. The action does not appear to have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the services.
3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the services to the Government.
4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the services proposed for addition to the Procurement List. Comments on this certification are invited. Commenters should identify the statement(s) underlying the certification on which they are providing additional information.

The following services have been proposed for addition to Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

Janitorial/Custodial
U.S. Courthouse and Federal Building
Allentown, Pennsylvania
NPA: Via of the Lehigh Valley, Inc.,
Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

Janitorial/Custodial
Wheeling USARC
Ohio County Airport Industrial Park
Wheeling, West Virginia

NPA: Russell Nesbitt Services, Inc.,
Wheeling, West Virginia.

Beverly L. Milkman,
Executive Director.

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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 to the Procurement List commodities and services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 30, 1997.

ADDRESS: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Square 3, Suite 403, 1735 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202-3461.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 7, 17, 21 and April 4, 1997, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notices (62 F.R. 10519, 12596, 13591 and 16135) of proposed additions to the Procurement List.

The following comments pertain to Janitorial/Custodial, Veterans Center, Roanoke, VA. Comments were received from the previous contractor in response to a request for sales data. The contractor declined to provide the data, and claimed that it would be severely impacted by the addition of this service to the Procurement List. The contractor indicated that two of its eight janitorial employees would be discharged as a result of the Committee's actions. The contractor questioned the capability of people who are blind or have other severe disabilities to perform the janitorial service. The contractor also claimed that veterans in the facility are easily distressed and would not react well to a new contractor.

The nonprofit agency is currently performing the service, and no problems have been experienced in dealing with the veterans at the facility, which is a small outpatient counseling center. The service is projected to require only 260 hours of direct labor a year, so its addition to the Procurement List could not be the cause for the contractor