

Draft Agenda of the June 17-18, 1998, Meeting

- A. Opening Remarks
1. Call meeting to order—George Bluhm, DFO
 2. Introduce Chairperson and Chief of NRCS—Pearlie Reed
 3. Welcome to Washington research—Keith Saxton
 4. Welcome to Washington NRCS operations—Leonard Jordan, STC
- B. Past Actions
1. Air quality within USDA—Pearlie Reed
 2. Extension of Federal Advisory Committee Act Committee—George Bluhm
 3. Revised recommendations on air quality research needs—Jim Trotter
 4. USDA Air Quality Research Management Team—Richard Amerman, Berlie Schmidt
- C. Status Reports
1. Agricultural Burning Subcommittee—Robert Quinn
 2. Model MOU—volunteer program with bad actor clause—Dennis Tristao
 3. EPA emission factors, communication with EMAD—Emmett Barker, Sally Shaver
 4. Health effects—Thomas Ferguson
 5. NRCS Air Resource Action Plan—George Bluhm
 6. Particulate matter research issues—Robert Flocchini, Keith Saxton
- D. New Issues
1. Conservation application and carbon sequestration in Iowa—Dr. Keith Paustian, Colorado State University
 2. Air quality initiative, Research Subcommittee—Jim Trotter
 3. Forest research on air quality—Bill Summers
 4. Washington State CRP—Leonard Jordan
 5. A Natural Events Action Plan for Eastern Washington—EPA Region X and Washington State Department of Ecology
 6. Agricultural residue burning: needs and impacts on regional agriculture—regional grass seed and cereal producers, Washington State Department of Ecology
- E. Set Date and Location for Next Meeting
- F. Public Input

Procedural

This meeting is open to the public. At the discretion of the Chair, members of the public may present oral presentations during the June 17-18 meeting. Persons wishing to make oral presentations should notify George Bluhm no later than June 12, 1998. If a person submitting material would like a copy distributed to each member of the committee in advance of the meeting, that person should submit 25 copies to George Bluhm no later than June 12, 1998.

Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the

meeting, contact George Bluhm as soon as possible.

Dated: April 15, 1998.

Danny D. Sells,

Associate Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service.

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APPALACHIAN STATES LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE COMMISSION**Meeting**

TIME AND DATE: 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m., June 18, 1998.

PLACE: Harrisburg Hilton and Towers, One North Second Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101

STATUS: Most of the meeting will be open to the public. An executive session closed to the public will be held from about 9:15 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Portions Open to the Public: The primary purpose of this meeting is to hear a status report on the siting of the regional disposal facility; hear a report on the expenditure of a \$2 million grant to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP); consider the impact of high volume low-activity waste shipped to Envirocare of Utah; consider granting about \$462,000 to the PADEP to continue the community partnering program; consider adoption of an interregional agreement for the uniform application of manifesting procedures; consider a revised budget for 1998-99; consider a budget for 1999-2000; and to elect officers.

Portions Closed to the Public: Executive Session from about 9:15 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Marc S. Tenan, Executive Director, at 717-234-6295.

Marc S. Tenan,

Executive Director.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED**Procurement List; Additions and Deletions**

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

ACTION: Additions to and deletions from the Procurement List.

SUMMARY: This action adds to the Procurement List a commodity and services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and deletes from the Procurement List commodities and a service previously furnished by such agencies.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 22, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Gateway 3, Suite 310, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-4302.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 5, April 3 and 20, 1998, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notices (63 FR 203, 16470 and 19474) of proposed additions to and deletions from the Procurement List:

Additions

The following comments pertain to Shirt, Sleeping.

Comments were received from the current contractor for the sleeping shirts. The contractor indicated that the shirts are an important part of one of its plants' production during certain months of the year.

While these shirts may be important to one of the contractor's three plants for part of the year, the Committee looks at the overall impact of a Procurement List addition on the contractor's total sales when it makes its impact determinations. The impact of this addition on the contractor's total sales is very small, and well below the level which the Committee normally considers to be severe adverse impact. The Committee is only adding ten percent of the Government requirement for the shirts to the Procurement List at this time, which will leave 50 percent of the requirement available for competitive procurement from this contractor or its competitors. The Committee's earlier addition to the Procurement List of 40 percent of the Government requirement caused only a slight decline in the contractor's sales. Consequently, the Committee does not believe that addition of the sleeping shirts to the Procurement List will have a severe adverse impact on the contractor.

The following comments pertain to Central Facility Management, The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library, Atlanta, Georgia.

Comments were received from the current contractor for this service. The contractor noted that it expects a severe reduction in its total sales during this

year, due to cutbacks in Government funding for services such as those it provides and that, consequently, loss of this contract to the Procurement List would have a severe adverse impact on the company. The contractor further noted that it is in its eighth year of providing this service at this location. The contractor's projections assume that when the contracts it currently holds are re-bid to reduce the costs, it will not succeed in obtaining any of the new contracts. The Committee views this as an unrealistically pessimistic projection. Under the circumstances, even taking into account the contractor's greater dependence on this relatively small contract after eight years and the impact of another recent addition to the Procurement List, the Committee does not believe that the percentage of the firm's sales represented by this contract is substantial enough to result in a severe adverse impact on the contractor.

The following comments pertain to Food Service and Food Service Attendant, Postwide, Fort Hood, Texas.

Comments were received from the current contractor for this service. The contractor claimed that the addition of the service to the Procurement List would have a severe adverse impact on the contractor as it represents a substantial portion of the contractor's sales. The contractor also noted that it is performing the contract under the Small Business Administration's (SBA) 8(a) Program, that the service has been in the 8(a) Program for a while, and that addition of the service to the Procurement List would foreclose future 8(a) Program participants from performing the contract.

The Government contracting activity responsible for this service has informed the Committee that if the Committee does not add the service to the Procurement List, the service will remain in the 8(a) Program. The contractor will graduate from the 8(a) Program in June, 1998, so it would not be eligible for subsequent contracts for the service whether or not the Committee adds it to the Procurement List. Consequently, any impact the contractor suffers will not be a result of the addition of the service to the Procurement List.

The Committee's Javits-Wagner-O'Day (JWOD) Program, like the 8(a) Program, is the result of Congressional desire to use the Federal procurement system to assist specific disadvantaged groups. The JWOD Program's target population, people who are blind or have severe disabilities, has an unemployment rate well above that of other groups. Consequently, the Committee believes it should maximize the creation of jobs for

its target population where it can do so within the limits of its statute and regulations. The 8(a) Program is considerably larger than the JWOD Program and, because it imposes no constraints on the types of individuals employed by participating firms, has access to a broader range of contracts than does the JWOD Program.

Consequently, the Committee believes the 8(a) Program can more easily locate contracting opportunities for its target population than the JWOD Program can. After consideration of the material presented to it concerning capability of qualified nonprofit agencies to provide the commodity and services and impact of the additions on the current or most recent contractors, the Committee has determined that the commodity and services listed below are suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

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 commodity and services to the Government.

2. The action will not have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the commodity and services.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodity and 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 commodity and services proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Accordingly, the following commodity and services are hereby added to the Procurement List:

Commodity

Shirt, Sleeping
8415-00-890-2099
8415-00-890-2100
8415-00-890-2101
8415-00-890-2102
8415-00-890-2103
8415-00-935-6855
(Additional 10% of the Government's requirement)

Services

Base Supply Center, Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma

Central Facility Management, The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library, Atlanta, Georgia

Food Service and Food Service Attendant, Postwide, Fort Hood, Texas

Janitorial/Custodial, VA Outpatient Clinic, Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Janitorial/Custodial, Surface Warfare Officer School Navy Buildings, 52 C.H.I., 138 C.H.I., 370 C.P., 446 C.P., 1164 C.H.I., 1183 C.H.I., 1268 C.H.I. & 1284 C.H.I, Newport, Rhode Island

This action does not affect current contracts awarded prior to the effective date of this addition or options that may be exercised under those contracts.

Deletions

I certify that the following action will not have 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.

2. The action will not have a severe economic impact on future contractors for the commodities and service.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodities and service 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 commodities and service deleted from the Procurement List.

After consideration of the relevant matter presented, the Committee has determined that the commodities and service listed below are no longer suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

Accordingly, the following commodities and service are hereby deleted from the Procurement List:

COMMODITIES

Cover, Generator Set
6115-00-945-7545

Cabinet, Storage
7125-00-378-4261
7125-00-449-6862
7125-00-693-4352

Pillowcase
7210-00-081-1380

Service

Commissary Shelf Stocking and Custodial, Naval Station, Charleston, South Carolina.

Beverly L. Milkman,

Executive Director.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Additions and Deletions

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

ACTION: Proposed additions to and deletions from Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee has received proposal(s) to add to the Procurement List services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and to delete services previously furnished by such agencies.

COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE: June 22, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Gateway 3, Suite 310, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-4302.

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.

Additions

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:

Grounds Maintenance

Mifflin County USARC, Lewistown, Pennsylvania

NPA: Juniata Association for the Blind, Lewistown, Pennsylvania

Medical Transcription

97th Medical Group, Altus AFB, Oklahoma

NPA: Kentucky Industries for the Blind, Louisville, Kentucky

Deletions

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.

2. The action does not appear to have a severe economic impact on future 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 deletion from the Procurement List.

The following services have been proposed for deletion from the Procurement List:

Grounds Maintenance

Naval Station, Mobile, Alabama

Grounds Maintenance

Portland Air National Guard Base, Portland, Oregon

Janitorial/Custodial

Pacific Highway Border Station, USDA Building, Blaine, Washington

Beverly L. Milkman,

Executive Director.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Additions and Deletions to the Procurement List; Correction

In the document appearing on page 24152, F.R. Doc. 98-11628, in the issue of May 1, 1998, in the second column, a door knob conversion kit in 56 different varieties, each denominated by a National Stock Number (NSN), is listed as deleted from the Procurement List, effective June 1, 1998. The Committee voted to delete all 56 varieties of the kit based on information that Government orders did not justify continued production by nonprofit agencies for the blind. In addition, one of the services listed in the same document as deleted from the Procurement List is Grounds Maintenance, Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Center, Dayton, Ohio. The Committee voted to delete this service from the Procurement List based on information that this Reserve Center had closed. Since the May 1, 1998 deletion notice, the Committee has discovered that the Reserve Center has not closed and will remain open for the immediate future. The Committee also discovered that seven varieties of the door knob conversion kit had not been included on the list of NSNs requested for deletion because of a lack of Government orders.

Consequently, the Committee on May 14, 1998 reconsidered its decisions and voted not to delete the seven NSNs of the door knob conversion kit and the grounds maintenance service from the Procurement List. Accordingly, the notice of May 1, 1998 referenced above is corrected to remove Grounds Maintenance, Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Center, Dayton, Ohio from the list of services deleted from the Procurement List. The notice is also corrected to remove the following NSNs from the list of door knob conversion kit NSNs deleted from the Procurement List:

Door Knob Conversion Kit

5340-01-394-0237, 5340-01-394-0238, 5340-01-394-0239, 5340-01-394-