

LIST OF PETITION ACTION BY TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE FOR PERIOD
5/18/99–6/15/99

Chicago Dial Indicator Company	1327 Redeker Road, Des Plaines, IL 60016.	05/26/99	Electronic digital and analog measuring instruments.
Polycast Incorporated	9898 SW Tigard Street, Tigard, OR 97223.	05/27/99	Ink jet printer parts.
Sales & Marketing Assistance Corporation.	921 Gaither Road, Gaithersburg, MD 20877.	05/27/99	Personal computers.
Houston Wire Works, Inc	527 Michigan, Houston, TX 77578	05/27/99	Metal racks and display cabinets.
Pacifica Marine, Inc	4735 E. Marginal Way, Seattle, WA 98134.	05/27/99	Passenger railcar interiors.
Sebro Packaging Corp	270 Packaging Corp., S. Hackensack, NJ 07606.	05/27/99	Folding paperboard boxes.
Lenco Industries, Inc	P. O. Box 668, Pittsfield, MA 01201	06/01/99	Non-military armored security vans.
Award Design Medals, Inc	P. O. Box 1170, Noble, OK 73068	06/01/99	Belt buckles.
Fuller Box Company, Inc	150 Chestnut Street, North Attleboro, MA 02761.	06/09/99	Metal hinged and set-up paperboard boxes for the jewelry, giftware and collectible industries.
Crown Yarn Dye Company, Inc	P. O. Box 3328, South Attleboro, MA 02703.	06/09/99	Dyed yarn of cotton, wool, rayon, nylon, polyester, acetate, acrylic and those blends.
Artistic Lamp Company	3 Spencer Highway, S. Houston, TX 77587.	06/08/99	Electrical lamps and lighting fittings of brass.
Geist Manufacturing, Inc	1821 Yolanda Avenue, Lincoln, NE 68521.	06/08/99	Cord covers or duct, extruded plastic stripes that cover electrical cards to prevent people from tripping.
Academy Die Casting and Plating Co., Inc.	47 Langstaff Avenue, Edison, NJ 08817 ..	06/10/99	Zinc die casting of automotive accessories, architectural hardware, hand and lawn garden tools.
Lenco, Inc	10240 Deerpark Rd., Waverly, NE 68462	06/10/99	Audio cassette housings, and other articles of plastic such as flea and tick repellent applicators and nail polish caps.
Cross Creek Apparel, Inc	P.O. Drawer 1107, Mt. Airy, NC 27030	06/10/99	Men's, women's and boy's knit shirts of cotton.

The petitions were submitted pursuant to Section 251 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2341). Consequently, the United States Department of Commerce has initiated separate investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each firm contributed importantly to total or partial separation of the firm's workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.

Any party having a substantial interest in the proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A request for a hearing must be received by Trade Adjustment Assistance, Room 7315, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, no later than the close of business of the tenth calendar day following the publication of this notice.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official program number and title of the program under which these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance.

Dated: June 15, 1999.

Anthony J. Meyer,
Coordinator, Trade Adjustment and Technical Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standard and Technology

Notice of Intent To Establish the Federal Advisory Committee for the Advanced Technology Program; Request for Nominations of Members Willing To Serve on the Committee

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of intent to establish the Federal Advisory Committee for the Advanced Technology Program and request for nominations of members willing to serve on the committee.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and the General Services Administration (GSA) rule on Federal Advisory Committee Management, the Secretary of Commerce has determined that the establishment of the Advanced

Technology Program (ATP) Advisory Committee (the "Committee") is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department by law. The Committee will advise the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) on ATP programs.

NIST invites and requests nominations of individuals for appointment to the Committee. NIST will consider nominations received in response to this notice for appointment to the Committee.

DATES: The charter will be filed under the Act on July 6, 1999. Nominations for members to serve on the committee must be submitted to the address below on or before this date.

ADDRESSES: Advanced Technology Program, National Institute of Standard and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian Belanger, Office of the Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Mail Stop 1004, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-1004, telephone: 301-975-4720, fax: 301-948-1224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Title

5 United States Code Appendix Section 2 et seq., and the General Services Administration (GSA) rule on Federal Advisory Committee Management, Title 41 Code of Federal Regulations subpart 101-6.10, the Secretary of Commerce has determined that the establishment of the Advanced Technology Program (ATP) Advisory Committee (the "Committee") is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department by law.

The Committee will advise the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) on ATP programs, plans, and policies.

The Committee will consist of not fewer than six nor more than twelve members appointed by the Director of NIST and its membership will be balanced to reflect the wide diversity of technical disciplines and industrial sectors represented in ATP projects. NIST invites and requests nominations of individuals for appointment to the Committee.

The Committee will function solely as an advisory body, in compliance with the provision of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

Authority: Federal Advisory Committee Act: 5 U.S.C. App. 2 and General Services Administration Rule: 41 CFR subpart 101-6.10.

Dated: June 14, 1999.

Karen H. Brown,

Deputy Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Financial Assistance for Research and Development Projects to Strengthen and Develop the U.S. Fishing Industry

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

ACTION: Notice of solicitation for applications.

SUMMARY: NMFS (hereinafter referred to as "we" or "us") issues this document to describe how you, the applicant, can apply for funding under the Saltonstall-Kennedy (S-K) Grant Program and how we will determine whether to fund your proposal.

Under the S-K Program, we provide financial assistance for research and development projects that address various aspects of U.S. fisheries (commercial or recreational), including, but not limited to, harvesting, processing, marketing, and associated infrastructures.

DATES: We must receive your application by close of business August 20, 1999, in one of the offices listed in section I.E. Applications Addresses of this document. You must submit one signed original and nine signed copies of the completed application (including supporting information). We will not accept facsimile applications.

ADDRESSES: You can obtain an application package from, and send your completed application(s) to, the NMFS Regional Administrator located at any of the offices listed in section I.E. Applications Addresses of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Alicia L. Jarboe, S-K Program Manager, (301) 713-2358.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

A. Background

The Saltonstall-Kennedy Act (S-K Act), as amended (15 U.S.C. 713c-3), established a fund (known as the S-K fund) that the Secretary of Commerce uses to provide grants or cooperative agreements for fisheries research and development projects addressed to any aspect of U.S. fisheries, including, but not limited to, harvesting, processing, marketing, and associated infrastructures. U.S. fisheries¹ include any fishery, commercial or recreational, that is or may be engaged in by citizens or nationals of the United States, or citizens of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau, and the Federated States of Micronesia.

The objectives of the S-K Grant Program, and therefore the funding priorities, have changed over the years since the program began in 1980. The original focus of the program was to develop underutilized fisheries within the U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ).

The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), originally passed in 1976, directed us to

give the domestic fishing industry priority access to the fishery resources in the EEZ.

To accelerate development of domestic fisheries, the American Fisheries Promotion Act of 1980 amended the S-K Act to

stimulate commercial and recreational fishing efforts in underutilized fisheries.

In the following years, the efforts to Americanize the fisheries were successful to the point that most nontraditional species were fully developed and some traditional fisheries became overfished. Therefore, we changed the emphasis of the S-K Program to resource conservation and management. Funding priorities included a range of conservation and management issues and aquaculture.

In 1996, the Sustainable Fisheries Act (SFA) (Pub. L. 104-297), was enacted. The SFA amended the Magnuson-Stevens Act and supported further adjustment to the S-K Program to address the current condition of fisheries.

The Magnuson-Stevens Act, as amended by the SFA, requires us to undertake efforts to prevent overfishing, rebuild overfished fisheries, insure conservation, protect essential fish habitats, and realize the full potential of U.S. fishery resources. It further requires that we take into account the importance of fishery resources to fishing communities; provide for the sustained participation of such communities; and, to the extent possible, minimize the adverse economic impacts of conservation and management measures on such communities. The Magnuson-Stevens Act defines a "fishing community" as "a community which is substantially dependent on or substantially engaged in the harvest or processing of fishery resources to meet social and economic needs, and includes fishing vessel owners, operators, and crew and United States fish processors that are based in such community." (16 U.S.C. 1802 (16)).

The NOAA Strategic Plan, updated in 1998, has three goals under its Environmental Stewardship Mission: Build Sustainable Fisheries (BSF), Recover Protected Species, and Sustain Healthy Coasts. The S-K Program supports fisheries research and development activities that directly relate to the BSF goal.

The revised objectives for BSF, consistent with the Magnuson-Stevens Act, are:

1. Eliminate and prevent overfishing and overcapitalization.
2. Attain economic sustainability in fishing communities.

¹For purposes of this document, a fishery is defined as one or more stocks of fish, including tuna, and shellfish that are identified as a unit based on geographic, scientific, technical, recreational and economic characteristics, and any and all phases of fishing for such stocks. Examples of a fishery are Alaskan groundfish, Pacific whiting, New England whiting, and eastern oysters.