

be considered part of the public record on this proposed action and will be available for public inspection. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered; however, those who submit anonymous comments will not have standing to appeal the subsequent decision under 36 CFR parts 215 or 217. Additionally, pursuant to 7 CFR 1.27(d), any person may request the agency to withhold a submission from the public record by showing how the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) permits such confidentiality. Persons requesting such confidentiality should be aware that, under the FOIA, confidentiality may be granted in only very limited circumstances, such as to protect trade secrets. The Forest Service will inform the requester of the agency's decision regarding the request for confidentiality, and where the request is denied, the agency will return the submission and notify the requester that the comments may be resubmitted with or without name and address within a specified number of days.

The draft EIS is expected to be filed with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and to be available for public review by October, 1999. The comment period on the draft EIS will be 45 days from the date EPA publishes the notice of availability of the draft EIS in the **Federal Register**.

The Forest Service believes it is important to give reviewers notice at this early stage of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, a reviewer of a draft EIS must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the draft EIS stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final EIS may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir., 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the 45 day comment period so that substantive comments and objectives are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final EIS.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft EIS should be as

specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft EIS or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. (Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points).

The final EIS is scheduled to be completed in December, 1999. In the final EIS, the Forest Service is required to respond to substantive comments and responses received during the comment period that pertain to the environmental consequences discussed in the draft EIS and applicable laws, regulations, and policies considered in making the decision regarding this proposal. The responsible official is the Forest Supervisor, Gary L. Larsen. As responsible official, he will document the Conehead-Summit Resource Management Project decision and rationale in a Record of Decision. That decision will be subject to Forest Service Appeal Regulations (36 CFR part 215).

Dated: July 26, 1999.

Gary L. Larsen,

Forest Supervisor, Mt. Hood National Forest.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Housing Service

Notice of Availability of Funding and Requests for Proposals for Guaranteed Loans Under the Section 538 Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Program; Correction

AGENCY: Rural Housing Service, USDA.
ACTION: Correction.

SUMMARY: The Rural Housing Service (RHS) corrects a notice published June 16, 1999 (64 FR 32373). This action is taken to correct the maximum allowable interest rate to be negotiated between the lender and the applicant. Accordingly, the notice published June 16, 1999 (64 FR 32373), is corrected as follows:

On page 32374 in the first column, Item V. A. (4), the introductory text prior to the table should read "Loans with interest rates less than the maximum allowable 250 basis points over the 30 Year Treasury Bond Yield as published in the Wall Street Journal as of the business day previous to the

business day the rate was set, will be awarded points as follows:"

On page 32374 in the third column, Item VI. C. "Maximum Interest Rate," the text "30-year Treasury Bond Rate" should read "30-year Treasury Bond Yield."

Dated: July 21, 1999.

Eileen M. Fitzgerald,

Acting Administrator, Rural Housing Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-428-826, A-469-809, A-588-852, A-580-841]

Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigations: Structural Steel Beams From Germany, Japan, South Korea, and Spain

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 3, 1999.

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Initiation of Investigations

The Applicable Statute and Regulations

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act of 1930 (the Act) by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are references to the provisions codified at 19 CFR Part 351 (1998).

The Petition

On July 7, 1999, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") received petitions filed in proper form by Northwestern Steel and Wire Company, Nucor-Yamato Steel Company, TXI-Chaparral Steel Company, and United Steelworkers of America AFL-CIO (collectively petitioners). The Department received supplemental information to the petitions on July 8, July 21 and July 22, 1999.