

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 additions, 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 will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the services to the Government.

3. 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:

Base Supply Center, Operation of Individual Equipment Element Store and HAZMART, Charleston Air Force Base, South Carolina, NPA: Industries for the Blind, Inc., Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Grounds Maintenance/Vegetation Control, Concord Naval Weapons Station, Concord, California, NPA: Phoenix Programs, Incorporated, Concord, California

Janitorial/Custodial

The Library of Congress, Washington, DC for the following buildings:

James Madison Memorial, Thomas Jefferson, John Adams & Little Scholars Child Care Facility, NPA: Ability Unlimited, Inc., Washington, District of Columbia

Operation of Individual Equipment Element Store and HAZMART, Travis Air Force Base, California, NPA:

South Texas Lighthouse for the Blind, Corpus Christi, Texas

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: December 29, 1999.

ADDRESS: 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 September 3 and 24, and October 8 and 15, 1999, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notices (64 F.R. 48345, 51736, 54862 and 55897) of proposed additions to the Procurement List.

The Following Comments Pertain to Bookcase, Steel, Contemporary

Comments were received from the current contractor in response to a request for sales data. The contractor suggested that the previous addition to the Procurement List of a portion of the Government requirements for the bookcase hastened the demise of a corporate predecessor to the contractor. The contractor indicated that current Federal sales of the bookcase represent only a very small portion of the contractor's total sales, but are important because they use some of the company's underutilized productive capacity. The contractor also noted its status as a Hubzone Empowerment Contracting Company located in an extremely high unemployment area. According to the Committee's figures, the previous Procurement List addition the contractor mentioned affected a fairly small portion of the sales of the contractor's corporate predecessor. As the contractor admitted, the current

Procurement List addition affects an even smaller part of the contractor's current total sales. Persons with severe disabilities have an unemployment rate over twice that cited by the contractor for its area. The Committee therefore believes that addition of this supply requirement for the bookcase will not have a severe adverse impact on the contractor, even taking the past Procurement List addition impact into consideration, and the jobs to be created for persons with severe disabilities outweigh a possible job loss for workers who could more easily find replacement jobs.

The Following Comments Pertain to Cup, Paper, Disposable, Hot

Comments were received from one of the current contractors for this cup. The contractor noted that while sales of the cup are a small part of the company's total sales, they are a "rather significant piece of business" for the company's cup sales. The contractor also asked to be allowed to be a supplier if the cup were added to the Procurement List.

The contractor is a very large business, and its sales of this cup are well below one percent of its total sales, so the Committee's action should have no severe adverse impact on the company or its cup production operation, which the company can easily support if needed. Addition of the cup to the Procurement List will not bar the contractor from serving as a supplier of paper cup stock to the nonprofit agency which will produce the cup for the Government.

The Following Material Pertains to all of the Items Being Added to the Procurement List

After consideration of the material presented to it concerning capability of qualified nonprofit agencies to provide the commodities and services and impact of the additions on the current or most recent contractors, the Committee has determined that the commodities 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 commodities and services to the Government.

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

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

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

Commodities

Bookcase, Steel, Contemporary

7110-00-601-9821

7110-00-601-9822

7110-01-135-1997

7110-01-135-1998

(Requirements for GSA Zones 2 and 3 only)

Cup, Paper, Disposable, Hot

7350-00-162-3006

Services

Food Service Attendant

Air National Guard Base

New Castle County Airport

New Castle, Delaware

Laundry/Dry Cleaning

Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base

Camp Pendleton, California

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.

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Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 101399G]

Marine Mammals; Scientific Research Permit (PHF# 540-1502-00)

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that John Calambokidis, Cascadia Research Collective, Waterstreet Building, 218 1/2 West Fourth Avenue, Olympia, WA 89501, has been issued a permit to take

several species of cetaceans and pinnipeds for purposes of scientific research.

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Regional Administrator, Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE, BIN C15700, Bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0070 (206/526-6426); and

Regional Administrator, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (562/980-4027).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeannie Drevenak, 301/713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 3, 1999, notice was published in the Federal Register (64 FR 23608) that a request for a scientific research permit to take several species of cetaceans during the course of photo-identification, aerial survey, biopsy sampling, and/or tagging activities, and several species of pinnipeds during aerial surveys, had been submitted by the above-named individual. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222 through 226).

Issuance of this permit, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such permit (1) was applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: November 19, 1999.

Ann D. Terbush,
*Chief, Permits and Documentation Division,
Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.*

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Adjustment of an Import Limit for Certain Cotton and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Guatemala

November 19, 1999.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs increasing a limit.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 29, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Naomi Freeman, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of this limit, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the U.S. Customs website at <http://www.customs.ustreas.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

The current limit for Categories 351/651 is being increased for carryforward.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see **Federal Register** notice 63 FR 71096, published on December 23, 1998). Also see 63 FR 63032, published on November 10, 1998.

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

November 19, 1999.

Commissioner of Customs,
*Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC
20229.*

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on November 4, 1998, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in Guatemala and exported during the period which began on January 1, 1999 and extends through December 31, 1999.

Effective on November 29, 1999, you are directed to increase the current limit for Categories 351/651 to 356,999 dozen¹, as

¹ The limit has not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1998.