EFFECTIVE DATES: January 2, 2004. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cynthia Orlando, Concession Program Manager, National Park Service, Washington, DC 20240, Telephone 202/ 513-7156.

Dated: November 25, 2003.

Richard G. Ring,

Associate Director, Administration, Business Practices and Workforce Development. [FR Doc. 03-31939 Filed 12-29-03; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4312-53-M

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Concession Contracts

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior. **ACTION:** Public notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 36 CFR 51.23, public notice is hereby give that the National Park Service proposes to extend the following expiring concession contracts for a period of up to 1 year, or until such time as a new contract is executed, whichever occurs sooner.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The listed concession authorizations will expire by their terms on or before December 31, 2003. The National Park Service has determined that the proposed short-term extensions are necessary in order to avoid interruption of visitor services and has taken all reasonable and appropriate steps to consider alternatives to avoid such interruption.

These extensions will allow the National Park Service to complete and issue a prospectus leading to the competitive selection of a concessioner for a new long-term concession contract covering these operations.

| Conc ID No. | Concessioner name | Park |
|------------------|---|---|
| BRCA002 | Bryce Zion Trail Rides. | Bryce Can- yon Na- tional Park. |
| CANY001– 020. | Canyonlands River Run- ners. | Canyonlands National Park. |
| GRCA002 | North Rim, Xanterra Parks and Resorts. | Grand Can- yon Na- tional Park. |
| GRTE001 | Grand Teton Lodge Company. | Grand Teton National Park. |
| WHSA001 | White Sands Company, Inc. | White Sands National Monu- ment. |

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 2, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cynthia Orlando, Concession Program Manager, National Park Service, Washington, DC 20240, Telephone 202/ 513-7156.

Dated: December 9, 2003.

Richard G. Ring,

Associate Director, Administration, Business Practices and Workforce Development. [FR Doc. 03-31940 Filed 12-29-03; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Concession Contracts

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior. **ACTION:** Public notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the terms of existing concession contracts, public notice is hereby given that the National Park Service intends to request a continuation of visitor services for a period not-to-exceed 1 year from the date of contract expiration.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the terms of existing contracts, public notice is hereby given that the National Park Service intends to request a continuation of visitor services for a period not-to-exceed 1 year from the date of contract expiration.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The contract listed below has been extended to the maximum allowable under 36 CFR 51.23. Under the provisions of current concession contract and pending the completion of the public solicitation of a prospectus for a new concession contract, the National Park Service authorizes continuation of visitor services for a period not-toexceed 1 year under the terms and conditions of the current contract as amended.

| Conc ID No. | Concessioner Name | Park |
|-------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| MORU001 | Xanterra Parks and Resorts | Mount Rushmore National Memorial. |

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cynthia Orlando, Concession Program Manager, National Park Service, Washington, DC 20240, Telephone 202/ 513-7156.

Dated: December 9, 2003.

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DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

National Park Service

Public Notice of Extension

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior. **ACTION:** Public notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 36 CFR 51.23, public notice is hereby given that the National Park Service proposes to extend the following expiring concession contract for a period of up to one year, or until such time as a new contract is executed, whichever occurs sooner.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The listed concession authorization will expire by its terms on or before December 31, 2003. The National Park Service has determined that the proposed short-term extension is necessary in order to avoid interruption of visitor services and has taken all reasonable and appropriate steps to consider alternatives to avoid such interruption. This extension will allow the National Park Service to complete and issue a prospectus leading to the competitive selection of a concessioner for a new long-term concession contract covering this operation.

| Conc ID No. | Concessioner name | Park |
|---------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| CC-FOSU001-86 | Fort Sumter Tours, Inc. | Fort Sumter National Park |