

*NSN(s)—Product Name(s):*7510-01-590-1503—Laser Toner
Cartridge, 12X*Designated Source of Supply:* TRI Industries
NFP, Vernon Hills, IL*Contracting Activity:* GSA/FAS ADMIN
SVCS ACQUISITION BR(2, NEW YORK,
NY*Service(s)**Service Type:* Mattress & Box Spring
Rehabilitation*Designated Source of Supply:* Mississippi
Industries for the Blind, Jackson, MS*Contracting Activity:* GENERAL SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION, FPDS AGENCY
COORDINATOR**Michael R. Jurkowski,***Acting Director, Business Operations.*

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Defense Acquisition Regulations
System****Negotiation of a Reciprocal Defense
Procurement Agreement With the
Ministry of Defense of Austria****AGENCY:** Defense Acquisition
Regulations System, Department of
Defense (DoD).**ACTION:** Notice and request for public
comments.**SUMMARY:** On behalf of the U.S.
Government, DoD is contemplating
negotiating and concluding a new
Reciprocal Defense Procurement
Agreement with the Ministry of Defense
of Austria. DoD is requesting industry
feedback regarding its experience in
public defense procurements conducted
by or on behalf of the Austrian Ministry
of Defense or Armed Forces.**DATES:** Comments must be received
January 9, 2023.**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments by email
to jeffrey.c.grover.civ@mail.mil.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr.
Jeff Grover, telephone 703-380-9783.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** DoD has
concluded Reciprocal Defense
Procurement (RDP) Agreements with 28
qualifying countries, as defined in the
Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation
Supplement (DFARS) 225.003, at the
level of the Secretary of Defense and his
counterpart. The purpose of an RDP
Agreement is to promote rationalization,
standardization, and interoperability of
conventional defense equipment with
allies and other friendly governments.
These Agreements provide a framework
for ongoing communication regarding
market access and procurement mattersthat enhance effective defense
cooperation.RDP Agreements generally include
language by which the Parties agree that
their defense procurements will be
conducted in accordance with certain
implementing procedures. These
procedures relate to—

- Publication of notices of proposed purchases;
- The content and availability of solicitations for proposed purchases;
- Notification to each unsuccessful offeror;
- Feedback, upon request, to unsuccessful offerors concerning the reasons they were not allowed to participate in a procurement or were not awarded a contract; and
- Provision for the hearing and review of complaints arising in connection with any phase of the procurement process to ensure that, to the extent possible, complaints are equitably and expeditiously resolved.

Based on the Agreement, each country
affords the other country certain
benefits on a reciprocal basis consistent
with national laws and regulations. The
benefits that the United States accords
to the products of qualifying countries
include—

- Offers of qualifying country end products are evaluated without applying the price differentials otherwise required by the Buy American statute and the Balance of Payments Program;
- The chemical warfare protection clothing restrictions in 10 U.S.C. 2533a and the specialty metals restriction in 10 U.S.C. 2533b do not apply to products manufactured in a qualifying country; and
- Customs, taxes, and duties are waived for qualifying country end products and components of defense procurements.

If DoD (for the U.S. Government)
concludes a new RDP Agreement with
the Ministry of Defense of Austria and
DoD executes a blanket public interest
determination, as intended, Austria will
be listed as one of the qualifying
countries at DFARS 225.872-1(a),
removing the purchase-by-purchase
requirement at DFARS 225.872-1(b) and
individual determination procedures at
DFARS 225.872-4.While DoD is evaluating Austria's
laws and regulations in this area, DoD
would benefit from U.S. industry's
experience in participating in Austrian
public defense procurements. DoD is,
therefore, asking U.S. firms that have
participated or attempted to participate
in procurements by or on behalf of
Austria's Ministry of Defense or Armed
Forces to let us know if the procurements were conducted withtransparency, integrity, fairness, and
due process in accordance with
published procedures, and if not, the
nature of the problems encountered.DoD is also interested in comments
relating to the degree of reciprocity that
exists between the United States and
Austria when it comes to the openness
of defense procurements to offers of
products from the other country.**Jennifer D. Johnson,***Editor/Publisher, Defense Acquisition
Regulations System.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission****Combined Notice of Filings**Take notice that the Commission has
received the following Natural Gas
Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:**Filings Instituting Proceedings***Docket Numbers:* PR23-15-000.
Applicants: Hope Gas, Inc.
Description: § 284.123(g) Rate Filing:
HGI—2022 PGA Filing to be effective
12/1/2022.*Filed Date:* 12/5/22.
Accession Number: 20221205-5041.
Comment Date: 12/23/2022.
184.123(g) Protest: 2/3/2023.*Docket Numbers:* RP23-251-000.
Applicants: UGI Mt. Bethel Pipeline
Company, LLC.*Description:* Annual Report of
Operational Purchases and Sales of UGI
Mt. Bethel Pipeline, LLC.
Filed Date: 11/30/22.*Accession Number:* 20221130-5539.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 12/12/22.
Docket Numbers: RP23-263-000.*Applicants:* NEXUS Gas
Transmission, LLC.
Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing:
Negotiated Rates—Enbridge Gas to DTE
Energy 962849 eff 12-3-22 to be
effective 12/3/2022.*Filed Date:* 12/2/22.
Accession Number: 20221202-5099.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 12/14/22.
Docket Numbers: RP23-264-000.*Applicants:* Midwestern Gas
Transmission Company.
Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Update
to Remove Non-Conforming Agreements
to be effective 1/7/2023.*Filed Date:* 12/2/22.
Accession Number: 20221202-5114.
Comment Date: 5 p.m. ET 12/14/22.*Docket Numbers:* RP23-265-000.
Applicants: Rockies Express Pipeline
LLC.