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Because of space limitation, attendance at the meeting will be determined on a first-come, first-served basis. The meeting will be physically accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals requiring special services, such as sign language interpretation or other ancillary aids, are asked to indicate this to Barbara Brown, bbrown@ntia.doc.gov at least two (2) days prior to the meeting. Members of the public will have an opportunity to provide comment at the meetings, time permitting.

Dated: Monday, March 9, 2009.

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Associate Administrator, Office of Telecommunications and Information Applications.

David P. Grahm,

Associate General Counsel, Rural Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Associated Electric Cooperative Incorporated: Notice of Availability of an Environmental Assessment

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability of an Environmental Assessment for public review.

SUMMARY: The Rural Utilities Service, an Agency delivering the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development Utilities Programs, hereinafter referred to as Rural Development and/or Agency, has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) to meet its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and 7 CFR 1794 related to possible financial assistance to Associated Electric Cooperative Incorporated (AECI) for the construction of a new 540-megawatt (MW) gas-fired combustion combined-cycle generation unit at the existing Chouteau Power Plant in Mayes County, Oklahoma. The proposed new unit is needed to provide additional electric generating capacity that would allow AECI to meet its projected electrical peaking demand in 2011–2016. AECI is also proposing to construct a new substation approximately two miles east of the existing plant, a 161-kilovolt (kV) transmission line from the existing plant to the new substation, and a single circuit 345-kV line from the new substation to the nearby Grand River

Dam Authority (GRDA) Coal-Fired Power Plant I, Mayes County, Oklahoma. The proposed new transmission facilities are needed to provide an outlet for the additional electric power that would be generated at the Chouteau Power Plant as a result of the installation of the proposed new combustion turbine (CT). AECI is requesting financial assistance from the Agency for the proposed action.

DATES: Written comments on this Notice must be received on or before April 13, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To obtain copies of the EA or for further information, contact: Stephanie Strength, Environmental Protection Specialist, USDA, Rural Development, Utilities Programs, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 2244, Stop 1571, Washington, DC 20250-1571, or e-mail stephanie.strength@wdc.usda.gov.

A copy of the EA may be viewed online at the Agency's Web site: <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/ea.htm> and at AECI's headquarters office located at 211 South Golden, Springfield, Missouri 65801-4775 and at the Pryor Public Library, 505 E Graham, Pryor, OK 74361, (918) 825-0777. Comments may be submitted to Ms. Strength at the address provided in this Notice.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. proposes to construct a new 540-MW gas-fired combustion combined-cycle generation unit at the existing Chouteau Power Plant in Mayes County, Oklahoma with an in-service date of early 2011. The existing plant includes a 522 MW combined cycle generation unit. The proposed 540 MW generating plant will be connected to a new 161/345-kV substation that will serve both the existing and proposed generating facilities. This substation will be located approximately two miles east of the Chouteau Power Plant on 16.7 acres. A single circuit 161-kV transmission line would be constructed from the existing Chouteau Power Plant to the new 345/161-kV substation and a single circuit 345-kV line will be constructed from the new substation to the existing Grand River Dam Authority (GRDA) Coal-Fired Power Plant.

The proposed CTs would employ an industrial frame advanced technology CT equipped with dry low-nitrogen oxide combustors. The CT would operate on natural gas as a fuel source. The construction of the proposal is tentatively scheduled to begin in 2009 and the estimated duration of construction would be 2 years.

A Notice of Intent to Prepare an EA and Hold a Scoping Meeting was published in the **Federal Register** at 73FR51439, on September 3, 2008, *The Paper* on September 8, 2008, and *The Daily Times* on September 7, 2008. A public meeting was held on September 16, 2008, at the Mid America Expo Center, Mid America Industrial Park in Pryor, Oklahoma 74361. A summary of public comments can be found at the Agency Web site listed in this Notice.

As part of its broad environmental review process, the Agency must take into account the effect of the proposal on historic properties in accordance with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulation, "Protection of Historic Properties" (36 CFR part 800). Pursuant to 36 CFR 800.2(d)(3), the Agency is using its procedures for public involvement under NEPA to meet its responsibilities to solicit and consider the views of the public during section 106 review. Accordingly, comments submitted in response to scoping will inform Agency decisionmaking in section 106 review. Any party wishing to participate more directly with the Agency as a "consulting party" in section 106 review may submit a written request to do so to the Agency contact provided in this notice.

Alternatives considered by Rural Development and AECI included for the CTs were (a) no action, (b) alternate sources of power, (c) load management, (d) renewable energy sources, (e) non-renewable energy sources, and (f) alternate sites. The alternatives considered for the transmission facilities were (a) no action and (b) alternate routes. An environmental report that describes the proposal in detail and discusses its anticipated environmental impacts has been prepared by AECI. Rural Development has reviewed and accepted the document as its EA of the proposal. The EA is available for public review at the addresses provided in this Notice.

Questions and comments should be sent to Rural Development at the mailing or e-mail addresses provided in this Notice. Rural Development should receive comments on the EA in writing by April 13, 2009 to ensure that they are considered in its environmental impact determination.

Should Rural Development determine, based on the EA of the proposal, that the impacts of the construction and operation of the proposal would not have a significant environmental impact, it will prepare a Finding of No Significant Impact. Public notification of a Finding of No Significant Impact would be published

in the **Federal Register** and in newspapers with circulation in the proposal area.

Any final action by Rural Development related to the proposal will be subject to, and contingent upon, compliance with all relevant Federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations, and completion of the environmental review requirements as prescribed in Rural Development's Environmental Policies and Procedures (7 CFR part 1794).

Dated: March 6, 2009.

Mark S. Plank,

Director, Engineering and Environmental Staff, USDA/Rural Development/Utilities Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

(A-274-804)

Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Trinidad and Tobago; Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

SUMMARY: On November 5, 2008, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the preliminary results of the fifth administrative review for the antidumping duty order on carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod (wire rod) from Trinidad and Tobago. See *Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Trinidad and Tobago: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 73 FR 65833 (November 5, 2008) (*Preliminary Results*). This review covers imports of wire rod from ArcelorMittal Point Lisas Limited,¹ and its affiliate Mittal Steel North America Inc. (MSNA) (collectively, AMPL). The period of review (POR) is October 1, 2006, through September 30, 2007.

Based on our analysis of comments received, these final results do not differ from the preliminary results. The final results are listed below in the *Final Results of Review* section.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 12, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stephanie Moore or Jolanta Lawska, AD/

CVD Operations, Office 3, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3692 and (202) 482-8362, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 29, 2002, the Department published in the **Federal Register** the antidumping duty order on wire rod from Trinidad and Tobago. See *Notice of Antidumping Duty Orders: Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Brazil, Indonesia, Mexico, Moldova, Trinidad and Tobago, and Ukraine*, 67 FR 65945 (*Wire Rod Orders*). On July 6, 2005, the Department determined that Mittal Steel Point Lisas Limited (MSPL) is the successor-in-interest to Carribean Ispat Limited (CIL). See *Notice of Final Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review: Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Trinidad and Tobago*, 70 FR 38871 (July 6, 2005). On May 23, 2008, the Department determined that AMPL is the successor-in-interest to MSPL. See *Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Trinidad and Tobago: Notice of Final Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review*, 73 FR 30052 (May 23, 2008). On November 5, 2008, the Department published in the **Federal Register** its *Preliminary Results* of the administrative review of this order for the period October 1, 2006, through September 30, 2007. See *Preliminary Results*, 73 FR at 65833. This is the fifth administrative review of this order.

Comments From Interested Parties

We invited interested parties to comment on the *Preliminary Results*. On December 5, 2008, AMPL filed a case brief, and on December 10, 2008, petitioners submitted a rebuttal brief. Petitioners are Gerdau Ameristeel US Inc. (formerly Co-Steel Raritan, Inc.), Keystone Consolidated Industries, Inc., North Star Steel Texas, Inc., Nucor Steel Connecticut, Inc., and Rocky Mountain Steel Mills. No party requested a hearing.

Scope of the Antidumping Duty Order

The merchandise subject to this order is certain hot-rolled products of carbon steel and alloy steel, in coils, of approximately round cross section, 5.00 mm or more, but less than 19.00 mm, in solid cross-sectional diameter. Specifically excluded are steel products possessing the above-noted physical characteristics and meeting the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the

United States (HTSUS) definitions for (a) stainless steel; (b) tool steel; (c) high nickel steel; (d) ball bearing steel; and (e) concrete reinforcing bars and rods. Also excluded are (f) free machining steel products (i.e., products that contain by weight one or more of the following elements: 0.03 percent or more of lead, 0.05 percent or more of bismuth, 0.08 percent or more of sulfur, more than 0.04 percent of phosphorus, more than 0.05 percent of selenium, or more than 0.01 percent of tellurium).

Also excluded from the scope are 1080 grade tire cord quality wire rod and 1080 grade tire bead quality wire rod. Grade 1080 tire cord quality rod is defined as: (i) grade 1080 tire cord quality wire rod measuring 5.0 mm or more but not more than 6.0 mm in cross-sectional diameter; (ii) with an average partial decarburization of no more than 70 microns in depth (maximum individual 200 microns); (iii) having no non-deformable inclusions greater than 20 microns and no deformable inclusions greater than 35 microns; (iv) having a carbon segregation per heat average of 3.0 or better using European Method NFA 04-114; (v) having a surface quality with no surface defects of a length greater than 0.15 mm; (vi) capable of being drawn to a diameter of 0.30 mm or less with 3 or fewer breaks per ton, and (vii) containing by weight the following elements in the proportions shown: (1) 0.78 percent or more of carbon, (2) less than 0.01 percent of aluminum, (3) 0.040 percent or less, in the aggregate, of phosphorus and sulfur, (4) 0.006 percent or less of nitrogen, and (5) not more than 0.15 percent, in the aggregate, of copper, nickel and chromium.

Grade 1080 tire bead quality rod is defined as: (i) grade 1080 tire bead quality wire rod measuring 5.5 mm or more but not more than 7.0 mm in cross-sectional diameter; (ii) with an average partial decarburization of no more than 70 microns in depth (maximum individual 200 microns); (iii) having no non-deformable inclusions greater than 20 microns and no deformable inclusions greater than 35 microns; (iv) having a carbon segregation per heat average of 3.0 or better using European Method NFA 04-114; (v) having a surface quality with no surface defects of a length greater than 0.2 mm; (vi) capable of being drawn to a diameter of 0.78 mm or larger with 0.5 or fewer breaks per ton; and (vii) containing by weight the following elements in the proportions shown: (1) 0.78 percent or more of carbon, (2) less than 0.01 percent of soluble aluminum, (3) 0.040 percent or less, in the aggregate, of phosphorus and sulfur, (4)

¹ ArcelorMittal Point Lisas Limited is the successor-in-interest to Mittal Steel Point Lisas Limited. See *Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Trinidad and Tobago: Notice of Final Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review*, 73 FR 30052 (May 23, 2008).