

these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,
Richard B. Steinkamp,
*Chairman, Committee for the
Implementation of Textile Agreements.*
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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 11:00 a.m., Friday, December 1, 2000.
PLACE: 1155 21st St., N.W., Washington, D.C., 9th Floor Conference Room.
STATUS: Closed.
MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Surveillance Matters.
CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

Jean A. Webb,
Secretary of the Commission.
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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 11:00 a.m., Friday, December 8, 2000.
PLACE: 1155 21st St., N.W., Washington, D.C., 9th Floor Conference Room.
STATUS: Closed.
MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Surveillance Matters.
CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 11:00 a.m., Friday, December 15, 2000.
PLACE: 1155 21st St., N.W., Washington, D.C., 9th Floor Conference Room.
STATUS: Closed.
MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Surveillance Matters.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 11:00 a.m., Friday, December 22, 2000.
PLACE: 1155 21st St., N.W., Washington, D.C., 9th Floor Conference Room.
STATUS: Closed.
MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Surveillance Matters.
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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.
TIME AND DATE: 11:00 a.m., Friday, December 29, 2000.
PLACE: 1155 21st St., N.W., Washington, D.C., 9th Floor Conference Room.
STATUS: Closed.
MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Surveillance Matters.
CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

Jean A. Webb,
Secretary of the Commission.
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Design, Construction, and Operation and Closure of a Facility for the Destruction of Chemical Agents and Munitions at Blue Grass Army Depot (BGAD), Kentucky

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: This announces the Army's intent to prepare a site-specific EIS on the potential impacts of the design, construction, operation and closure of a facility to destroy all of the chemical agents and munitions currently stored at the BGAD, Kentucky. The EIS will examine potential environmental impacts of the following destruction facility alternatives: a baseline incineration facility; a full-scale facility to pilot test an alternative technology successfully demonstrated by the Assembled Chemical Weapons Assessment (ACWA) Program; and no action (an alternative that will continue the storage of the chemical agent and munitions at the BGAD). If any reasonable alternatives are identified during the environmental analysis process, they will be considered as alternative courses of action.

The United States has a statutory and international treaty obligation to destroy its stockpile of chemical weapons, including those at the BGAD. The technique of using incineration (herein referred to as baseline incineration) has already been tested safely and successfully in full-scale facilities. Alternatives to baseline incineration have been tested at the demonstration level, but not in pilot scale or full-scale facilities. Before additional federal funds can be spent on any alternative technology, sec. 142 of the Strom Thurmond National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, Pub. L. 105-261, requires that three findings be made. First, an alternative technology would have to be determined to be as safe as and as cost effective as baseline incineration. Second, it must also be capable of completing destruction of the stockpile by the later of either the Chemical Weapons Convention destruction date or the date the BGAD stockpile would be destroyed if baseline incineration were used. Finally, it must comply with Federal and State health and safety laws.

DATES: Written comments must be received not later than February 2, 2001 in order to be considered in the Draft EIS.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be forwarded to the Program Manager for Chemical Demilitarization, Public Outreach and Information Office (ATTN: Mr. Gregory Mahall), Building E-4585, Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD 21010-4005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gregory Mahall by mail at the above listed address, by phone at 410-436-