

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****International Trade Administration**

[C-821-832, C-274-809]

**Urea Ammonium Nitrate Solutions From the Russian Federation and the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago: Postponement of Preliminary Determinations in the Countervailing Duty Investigations**

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce

**DATES:** Applicable August 24, 2021.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Kristen Johnson and John Hoffner (the Russian Federation (Russia)) or Ariela Garvett (the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago (Trinidad and Tobago)), AD/CVD Operations, Offices III and IV, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-4793, (202) 482-3315, and (202) 482-3609, respectively.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Background**

On July 20, 2021, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated countervailing duty (CVD) investigations of imports of urea ammonium nitrate solutions (UAN) from Russia and Trinidad and Tobago.<sup>1</sup> Currently, the preliminary determinations are due no later than September 23, 2021.

**Postponement of the Preliminary Determinations**

Section 703(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires Commerce to issue the preliminary determination in a CVD investigation within 65 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation. However, section 703(c)(1) of the Act permits Commerce to postpone the preliminary determination until no later than 130 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation if: (A) The petitioner makes a timely request for a postponement; or (B) Commerce concludes that the parties concerned are cooperating, that the investigation is extraordinarily complicated, and that additional time is necessary to make a preliminary determination. Under 19 CFR 351.205(e), the petitioner must submit a

request for postponement 25 days or more before the scheduled date of the preliminary determination and must state the reasons for the request. Commerce will grant the request unless it finds compelling reasons to deny the request.

On August 16, 2021, the petitioner<sup>2</sup> submitted a timely request that Commerce postpone the preliminary determinations of the CVD investigations.<sup>3</sup> The petitioner stated that it requests postponement to provide adequate time for Commerce to receive and fully analyze the questionnaire responses, issue supplemental questionnaires, and prepare accurate preliminary determinations.<sup>4</sup> In accordance with 19 CFR 351.205(e), the petitioner has stated the reasons for requesting a postponement of the preliminary determinations, and Commerce finds there are no compelling reason to deny the requests. Therefore, in accordance with section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act, Commerce is postponing the deadline for the preliminary determinations to no later than 130 days after the date on which these investigations were initiated, *i.e.*, November 29, 2021.<sup>5</sup> Pursuant to section 705(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(1), the deadline for the final determinations of these investigations will continue to be 75 days after the date of the preliminary determinations, unless postponed at a later date.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 703(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(1).

Dated: August 18, 2021.

**Ryan Majerus,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Negotiations.*

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<sup>2</sup> The petitioner is CF Industries Nitrogen, LLC and its subsidiaries, Terra Nitrogen, Limited Partnership and Terra International (Oklahoma) LLC.

<sup>3</sup> See Petitioner's Letters, "Urea Ammonium Nitrate Solutions from the Russian Federation: Petitioner's Request for Postponement of Preliminary Determination," dated August 16, 2021; and "Urea Ammonium Nitrate Solutions from the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago: Petitioner's Request for Postponement of Preliminary Determination," dated August 16, 2021.

<sup>4</sup> *Id.*

<sup>5</sup> Postponing the preliminary determinations to 130 days after initiation would place the deadline on Saturday, November 27, 2021. Commerce's practice dictates that where a deadline falls on a weekend or federal holiday, the appropriate deadline is the next business day. See *Notice of Clarification: Application of "Next Business Day" Rule for Administrative Determination Deadlines Pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930, As Amended*, 70 FR 24533 (May 10, 2005).

<sup>1</sup> See *Urea Ammonium Nitrate Solutions from the Russian Federation and the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigations*, 86 FR 40004 (July 26, 2021).

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Institute of Standards and Technology**

[Docket Number: 210726-0151]

**Artificial Intelligence Risk Management Framework**

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Request for Information.

**SUMMARY:** The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is extending the period for submitting comments relating to the NIST Artificial Intelligence Risk Management Framework (AI RMF or Framework) through September 15, 2021. In a Request for Information (RFI) that published in the **Federal Register** on July 29, 2021 (86 FR 40810), NIST requested information to help inform, refine, and guide the development of the AI RMF. The Framework will be developed through a consensus-driven, open, and collaborative process that will include public workshops and other opportunities for stakeholders to provide input. NIST is extending the comment period announced in the July 29, 2021 RFI from August 19, 2021 to September 15, 2021 in response to stakeholder requests for more time to respond to this important issue.

**DATES:** Comments in response to this notice must be received by 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on September 15, 2021. Written comments in response to the RFI should be submitted according to the instructions in the **ADDRESSES** and **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** sections below. Comments received after August 19, 2021 and before publication of this notice are deemed to be timely. Submissions received after September 15, 2021, may not be considered. Those who have already submitted comments need not resubmit.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- **Electronic submission:** Submit electronic public comments via the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal.
    1. Go to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) and enter NIST-2021-0004 in the search field,
    2. Click the "Comment Now!" icon, complete the required fields, and
    3. Enter or attach your comments.
  - **Email:** Comments in electronic form may also be sent to [AIframework@nist.gov](mailto:AIframework@nist.gov) in any of the following formats: HTML; ASCII; Word; RTF; or PDF.
- Please submit comments only and include your name, organization's name

(if any), and cite “AI Risk Management Framework” in all correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions about this RFI contact: Mark Przybocki ([mark.przybocki@nist.gov](mailto:mark.przybocki@nist.gov)), U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology, MS 20899, 100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, telephone (301) 975-3347, email [Alframework@nist.gov](mailto:Alframework@nist.gov).

Direct media inquiries to NIST’s Office of Public Affairs at (301) 975-2762.

Users of telecommunication devices for the deaf, or a text telephone, may call the Federal Relay Service, toll free at 1-800-877-8339.

**Accessible Format:** On request to the contact person listed above, NIST will make the RFI available in alternate formats, such as Braille or large print, upon request by persons with disabilities.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

NIST is extending the comment period announced in the July 29, 2021 RFI (86 FR 40810) through September 15, 2021. The agency’s work on an AI RMF is consistent with recommendations by the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence<sup>1</sup> and the Plan for Federal Engagement in Developing AI Technical Standards and Related Tools.<sup>2</sup>

Congress has directed NIST to collaborate with the private and public sectors to develop a voluntary AI RMF.<sup>3</sup> The Framework is intended to help designers, developers, users and evaluators of AI systems better manage risks across the AI lifecycle.

**Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 272(b), (c), & (e); 15 U.S.C. 278g-3.

**Alicia Chambers,**

*NIST Executive Secretariat.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Institute of Standards and Technology

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request. iEdison System.

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection, request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB.

**DATES:** To ensure consideration, comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before October 25, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit written comments by mail to Elizabeth Reinhart, Management Analyst, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, [elizabeth.reinhart@nist.gov](mailto:elizabeth.reinhart@nist.gov), or [PRAComments@doc.gov](mailto:PRAComments@doc.gov). Please reference OMB Control Number 0693-xxxx in the subject line of your comments. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or specific questions related to collection activities should be directed to Bethany Loftin, Interagency and iEdison Specialist, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive Gaithersburg MD 20899, 301-975-0496, [bethany.loftin@nist.gov](mailto:bethany.loftin@nist.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

The Bayh-Dole Act (35 U.S.C. 18) and its implementing regulations (37 CFR 401) allow for recipients of federal research funding (Contractors) to retain ownership of inventions developed under federal funding agreements. In exchange, the government retains certain rights to the invention, including a world-wide right to use by or on behalf of the U.S. government. The law also requires the Contractor to obtain

permission for certain actions and fulfill reporting requirements including:

- Initial reporting of invention.
- Decision to retain title to invention.
- Filing of patent protection.
- Evidence of government support clause within patents.
- Submission of a license confirming the government’s rights.
- Notice if the Contractor is going to discontinue the pursuit or continuance of patent protection.
- Information related to the development and utilization of invention.
- Permission to assign to a third party; and
- Permission to waive domestic manufacturing requirements.

This information is used for a variety of reasons. It allows the government to identify technologies to which the government has rights to use without additional payment or licensing. This acts as a time and cost-saving mechanism to avoid unnecessary negotiating and payment. It also provides data for calculation of return on investment (ROI) from federal funding and identifies successful research programs. Thirdly, it allows the government the opportunity to timely protect inventions which the Contractor declines title or discontinues patent protection. Historically, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) has collected this information via their on-line portal, iEdison; however, the responsibility for this data collection will be taken over by NIST. Agencies that do not register with iEdison are required to collect this information independently.

##### II. Method of Collection

Information will be electronically collected through the online system iEdison.

##### III. Data

**OMB Control Number:** 0693-XXXX.

**Form Number(s):** None.

**Type of Review:** Regular submission, new information collection.

**Affected Public:** Business or other for-profit organizations; Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal government.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 3063.

**Estimated Time per Response:**

Invention Records: 6 hours.

Patent Records: 3.5 hours.

Utilization Records: 4.5 hours.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:**

Invention Records: 18,378 hours.

Patent Records: 10,720 hours.

Utilization Records: 13,783 hours.

**Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:** \$0.

<sup>1</sup> National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence, Final Report, <https://www.nsc.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Full-Report-Digital-1.pdf>.

<sup>2</sup> Plan for Federal Engagement in Developing AI Technical Standards and Related Tools, [https://www.nist.gov/system/files/documents/2019/08/10/ai\\_standards\\_fedengagement\\_plan\\_9aug2019.pdf](https://www.nist.gov/system/files/documents/2019/08/10/ai_standards_fedengagement_plan_9aug2019.pdf).

<sup>3</sup> H. Rept. 116-455—COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS BILL, 2021, CRPT-116hrpt455.pdf ([congress.gov](https://www.congress.gov)), and Section 5301 of the National Artificial Intelligence Initiative Act of 2020 (Pub. L. 116-283), <https://www.congress.gov/116/bills/hr6395/BILLS-116hr6395enr.pdf>.