

available on request (contact information below). In order to ensure sufficient seating and hand-outs, it is requested that visitors pre-register by October 30. Members of the public wishing to make a statement to the Committee should provide notice of that intention by October 30 so that time may be allotted in the agenda.

**DATES:** November 4, 2009, commencing at 10:30 a.m. and adjourning at 5:30 p.m., and November 5, 2009, commencing at 8:30 a.m. and adjourning at Noon.

**Contact:** Dr. Michael Blanpied, Executive Secretary, National Earthquake Prediction Evaluation Council, U.S. Geological Survey, MS 905, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 20192. (703) 648-6696, E-mail: [mblanpied@usgs.gov](mailto:mblanpied@usgs.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

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#### Meeting Announcement: North American Wetlands Conservation Council

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The North American Wetlands Conservation Council (Council) will meet to select North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) grant proposals for recommendation to the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission (Commission). This meeting is open to the public, and interested persons may present oral or written statements.

**DATES:** *Council Meeting:* December 9, 2009, 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. (noon). If you are interested in presenting information at the North American Wetlands Conservation Council (Council) public meeting, contact the Council Coordinator no later than November 24, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Witt Stephens Jr. Central Arkansas Nature Center, 602 President Clinton Avenue, Little Rock, AR 72201.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mike Johnson, Council Coordinator, by

phone at (703) 358-1784; by e-mail at [dbhc@fws.gov](mailto:dbhc@fws.gov); or by U.S. mail at U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop MBSP 4501-4075, Arlington, VA. 22203.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with NAWCA (Pub. L. 101-233, 103 Stat. 1968, December 13, 1989, as amended), the State-private-Federal Council meets to consider wetland acquisition, restoration, enhancement, and management projects for recommendation to, and final funding approval by, the Commission.

Project proposal due dates, application instructions, and eligibility requirements are available on the NAWCA Web site at <http://www.fws.gov/birdhabitat/Grants/NAWCA/Standard/US/Overview.shtm>. Proposals require a minimum of 50 percent non-Federal matching funds. The Council will consider U.S. Standard and Mexican grant proposals at the December meeting. The date for the Commission meeting is March 10, 2010.

Dated: October 14, 2009

**Paul R. Schmidt,**

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## INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Inv. No. 332-508]

### Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises: Overview of Participation in U.S. Exports

**AGENCY:** United States International Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Institution of investigation.

**SUMMARY:** Following receipt of a request on October 6, 2009, from the United States Trade Representative (USTR) under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332(g)), the Commission instituted investigation No. 332-508, Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises: Overview of Participation in U.S. Exports, for the purpose of preparing the first of a series of three reports requested by the USTR relating to small and medium-sized enterprises.

**DATES:** *January 12, 2010:* Transmittal of Commission report to the USTR.

**ADDRESSES:** All Commission offices, including the Commission's hearing rooms, are located in the United States International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC. All written submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission,

500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <http://www.usitc.gov/secretary/edis.htm>.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Project Leaders Laura Bloodgood (202-708-4726 or [laura.bloodgood@usitc.gov](mailto:laura.bloodgood@usitc.gov)) or Alexander Hammer (202-205-3271 or [alexander.hammer@usitc.gov](mailto:alexander.hammer@usitc.gov)) for information specific to this investigation. For information on the legal aspects of this investigation, contact William Gearhart of the Commission's Office of the General Counsel (202-205-3091 or [william.gearhart@usitc.gov](mailto:william.gearhart@usitc.gov)). The media should contact Margaret O'Laughlin, Office of External Relations (202-205-1819 or [margaret.olaughlin@usitc.gov](mailto:margaret.olaughlin@usitc.gov)). Hearing-impaired individuals may obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal at 202-205-1810. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>). Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000.

**Background:** In his letter the USTR requested, under the authority of section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930, that the Commission provide three reports during the next 12 months relating to small- and medium-sized enterprises. In this notice the Commission is instituting the first of three investigations under section 332(g) for the purpose of preparing the first report, which is to be transmitted to the USTR by January 12, 2010. The Commission will institute separate investigations under section 332(g) at later dates for the purpose of preparing the second and third reports.

In the first report the Commission will, as requested, provide an overview of the current state of SMEs' participation in U.S. exports. The report will describe, to the extent possible, characteristics of SMEs, their exports, and their role in generating employment and economic activity in the U.S. economy. The report will focus on merchandise and services exports by U.S. SMEs, providing information on the value of SME exports, products and sectors involved, large markets for U.S. SMEs' exports, and how SME exports have changed over time with respect to these factors. The Commission will also seek to identify gaps in currently available data that may inhibit a more comprehensive understanding of SME participation in export trade.