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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Act (Steens Act) of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-399) established the 496,136-acre CMPA primarily within the Andrews Resource Area (a small portion is within the Three Rivers Resource Area). The Andrews Resource Area and the CMPA portion of the Three Rivers Resource Area comprise the Planning Area. The remaining portion of the Andrews Resource Area outside of the CMPA is identified as the Andrews Management Unit. Other special designated areas were created by the Steens Act and include the Wildland Juniper Management Area, the Steens Mountain Wilderness (170,084 acres), new Wild and Scenic River designations, a no livestock grazing area (97,229 acres), and the Donner und Blitzen Redband Trout Reserve. In addition, the Steens Act authorized five specific land exchanges, created a citizen's advisory council (Steens Mountain Advisory Council), established a Mineral Withdrawal Area, and created new Wilderness Study Area (WSA) boundaries. Congress recognized that the CMPA provides for exceptional cooperative management opportunities and offers outstanding natural, cultural, scenic, wilderness, and recreational resources. To ensure that these resources are appropriately managed, the Steens Act requires that a management plan be completed within four years of passage of the Steens Act. At the end of the planning/analysis process, the CMPA and Andrews Management Unit RMPs will be finalized in two separate Records of Decision.

The Draft RMP/Draft EIS contains five alternatives. Alternative A is a no action/continuation of current management alternative. Alternative B excludes commodity production and limits other uses to maximize natural processes. Alternative C emphasizes protection and active restoration of natural values. Alternative D balances cultural, economic, ecological, and social health in a manner that encourages cooperative management practices. Alternative D is the preferred alternative. Alternative E emphasizes commodity production and public uses.

Public input during scoping and review of the Summary of the Analysis of Management Situation identified 17 issues for analysis in the RMP/EIS. These issues are outlined in Chapter 1 of the Draft RMP/Draft EIS. In addition,

the Planning Criteria, which are the constraints or ground rules directing development of the RMP, are outlined in Appendix D (Legal Authorities, Planning Criteria and Management Direction and Consistency with Other Plans).

There have been numerous opportunities for public involvement in the process to date, including four separate public scoping meetings held in Burns, Frenchglen, Portland, and Bend, Oregon. A newsletter was also mailed to all interested parties requesting input on the alternatives, planning criteria, and the goals and objectives for resource management. In addition, the Steens Mountain Advisory Council and the Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council have closely participated in the process.

Numerous meetings have been held and coordination has been conducted with the Burns Paiute Tribal Council, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Governor's Office, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service—Ecological Services and Malheur National Wildlife Refuge, the City of Burns, the City of Hines, Oregon Department of Water Resources, the Harney County Court, Harney County Chamber of Commerce, and adjacent BLM offices.

Dated: July 16, 2003.

Elaine M. Brong,

State Director, Oregon/Washington.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR-957-00-1420-BJ: GP03-0284]

Filing of Plats of Survey: Oregon/ Washington

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The plats of survey of the following described lands were officially filed in the Oregon State Office, Portland, Oregon, on July 2, 2003.

Willamette Meridian

Oregon

T. 1 N., R. 10 E., accepted June 18, 2003.
T. 21 S., R. 32 E., accepted June 18, 2003.
T. 29 S., R. 9 W., accepted June 18, 2003.
T. 36 S., R. 3 W., accepted June 18, 2003.
T. 37 S., R. 3 W., accepted June 18, 2003.
T. 38 S., R. 3 E., accepted June 18, 2003.

Washington

T. 21 N., R. 10 W., accepted June 18, 2003.
T. 21 N., R. 11 W., accepted June 18, 2003.

The plats of survey of the following described lands were officially filed in the Oregon State Office, Portland, Oregon, July 23, 2003.

Oregon

T. 17 S., R. 8 W., accepted July 18, 2003.
T. 19 S., R. 2 W., accepted July 18, 2003.

Washington

T. 39 N., R. 28 E., accepted July 18, 2003.

A copy of the plats may be obtained from the Public Room at the Oregon State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 333 S.W. 1st Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97204, upon required payment. A person or party who wishes to protest against a survey must file a notice that they wish to protest, (at the above address) with the State Director, Bureau of Land Management, Portland, Oregon.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chief, Branch of Cadastral Survey, Bureau of Land Management (333 S.W. 1st Avenue) P.O. Box 2965, Portland, Oregon 97208.

Dated: September 10, 2003.

Robert D. DeViney, Jr.,

Branch of Realty and Records Services.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Inv. No. 337-TA-493]

Certain Zero-Mercury-Added Alkaline Batteries, Parts Thereof, and Products Containing Same; Notice of a Commission Determination Not to Review an Initial Determination Amending the Complaint and Notice of Investigation To Add a Respondent to the Investigation

AGENCY: International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined not to review an initial determination ("ID") of the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ") granting the motion of complainants to amend the complaint and notice of investigation to add Hitachi Maxell, Ltd. as a respondent.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael K. Haldenstein, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, telephone (202) 205-3041. Copies of the ALJ's ID and all

other nonconfidential documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <http://edis.usitc.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission instituted this investigation on May 27, 2003, based on a complaint filed by complainants Energizer Holdings, Inc. and Eveready Battery Co., Inc., both of St. Louis, MO, 68 FR 32771 (2003). The complaint as amended alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain zero-mercury-added alkaline batteries, parts thereof, and products containing same by reason of infringement of claims 1-12 of U.S. Patent No. 5,464,709. The complaint further alleges that an industry in the United States exists as required by subsection (a)(2) of section 337. The complainants requested that the Commission issue a general exclusion order and cease and desist orders. The Commission named as respondents 26 companies located in the United States, China, Indonesia, and Japan. *Id.* The ALJ has set September 2, 2004, as the target date for completion of the investigation.

The ALJ issued the subject ID on August 20, 2003. The ID grants the motion of complainants to add Hitachi Maxell, Ltd. of Tokyo, Japan as a respondent in the investigation and amend the complaint and notice of investigation to reflect this fact. The ALJ found that Hitachi Maxell, Ltd. is the parent corporation of another respondent in the investigation, Maxell Corporation of America. He also found that Hitachi Maxell, Ltd. has information that is relevant to the investigation and which is necessary for building a complete record. Therefore, he concluded that Hitachi Maxell, Ltd. should be added as a respondent in the investigation.

This action is taken under the authority of section 337 of the Tariff Act

of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C.1337, and Commission rule 210.42, 19 CFR 210.42.

Issued: September 12, 2003.

By order of the Commission.

Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[USITC SE-03-030]

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: United States International Trade Commission.

TIME AND DATE: October 3, 2003, at 11 a.m.

PLACE: Room 101, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436, Telephone: (202) 205-2000.

STATUS: Open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: 1. Agenda for future meetings: none.

2. Minutes.

3. Ratification List.

4. Inv. Nos. 701-TA-430A and 430B and 731-TA-1019A and 1019B (Final)(Durum and Hard Red Spring Wheat from Canada)—briefing and vote. (The Commission is currently scheduled to transmit its determination and Commissioners' opinions to the Secretary of Commerce on or before October 14, 2003.)

5. Outstanding action jackets: none.

In accordance with Commission policy, subject matter listed above, not disposed of at the scheduled meeting, may be carried over to the agenda of the following meeting.

Issued: September 16, 2003.

By order of the Commission.

Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary to the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration; Wage and Hour Division

Minimum Wages for Federal and Federally Assisted Construction; General Wage Determination Decisions

General wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study

of local wage conditions and data made available from other sources. They specify the basic hourly wage rates and fringe benefits which are determined to be prevailing for the described classes of laborers and mechanics employed on construction projects of a similar character and in the localities specified therein.

The determinations in those decisions of prevailing rates and fringe benefits have been made in accordance with 29 CFR part 1, by authority of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act of March 3, 1931, as amended (46 Stat. 1494, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 276a) and of other Federal statutes referred to in 29 CFR part 1, Appendix, as well as such additional statutes as may from time to time be enacted containing provisions for the payment of wages determined to be prevailing by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The prevailing rates and fringe benefits determined in these decisions shall, in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing statutes, constitute the minimum wage payable on Federal and federally assisted construction projects to laborers and mechanics of the specified classes engaged on contract work of the character and in the localities describe therein.

Good cause is hereby found for not utilizing notice and public comment procedure thereon prior to the issuance of these determinations as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 553 and not providing for delay in the effective date as prescribed in that section, because the necessity to issue current construction industry wage determinations frequently and in large volume causes procedures to be impractical and contrary to the public interest.

General wage determination decisions, and modifications and supersedeas decisions thereto, contained in expiration dates and are effective from their date of notice in the **Federal Register**, or on the date written notice is received by the agency, whichever is earlier. These decisions are to be used in accordance with the provisions of 29 CFR Part 1 and 5. Accordingly, the applicable decision, together with any modifications issued, must be made a part of every contract for performance of the described work within the geographic area indicated as required by an applicable Federal prevailing wage law and 29 CFR Part 5. The wage rates and fringe benefits, notice of which is published herein, and which are contained in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under the Davis-Bacon And Related