

public inspection at the above address during regular business hours.

The current United States Standards, along with proposed changes, are available either through the above addresses or by accessing AMS' Home Page on the Internet at www.ams.usda.gov/dairystand.htm.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Duane R. Spomer, Chief, Dairy Standardization Branch, AMS/USDA/ Dairy Programs, Room 2746 South Building, P.O. Box 96456, Washington, DC 20090-6456, telephone (202) 720-7473.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 203(c) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, as amended, directs and authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture "to develop and improve standards of quality, condition, quantity, grade, and packaging, and recommend and demonstrate such standards in order to encourage uniformity and consistency in commercial practices * * *." AMS is committed to carrying out this authority in a manner that facilitates the marketing of agricultural commodities and will make copies of official standards available upon request. The United States Standards for Grades of Nonfat Dry Milk (Spray Process), the United States Standards for Instant Nonfat Dry Milk, and the United States Standards for Grades of Dry Buttermilk and Dry Buttermilk Product no longer

appear in the Code of Federal Regulations but are maintained by USDA/AMS/Dairy Programs.

When these products are officially graded, the USDA regulations (7 CFR Part 58) governing the grading of manufactured or processed dairy products are used. These regulations require a charge for the grading service provided by USDA.

AMS is proposing to change the United States Standards for Grades of Nonfat Dry Milk (Spray Process), the United States Standards for Instant Nonfat Dry Milk, and the United States Standards for Grades of Dry Buttermilk and Dry Buttermilk Products using the procedures that appear in Part 36 of Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations (7 CFR Part 36).

AMS also administers a voluntary grading program for dry milk products under the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946. Any interested person, commercial firm, or government agency can, for a fee, have AMS verify that the dry milk products covered by these standards meet the requirements of the applicable U.S. standards. Dry milk products covered by these standards can be packaged into containers bearing the USDA grade shield. The grading program is implemented by the regulation in 7 CFR Part 58.

The United States Standards for Grades of Nonfat Dry Milk (Spray Process) have been in effect since May

22, 1996, the United States Standards for Instant Nonfat Dry Milk have been in effect since August 7, 1996, and the United States Standards for Grades of Dry Buttermilk and Dry Buttermilk Product have been in effect since August 23, 1991. AMS initiated these proposed changes following a suggestion by the American Dairy Products Institute (ADPI), a trade association representing the dry milk industry. ADPI requested that the maximum number of bacteria allowed in nonfat dry milk, instant nonfat dry milk, dry buttermilk and dry buttermilk product be reduced. ADPI suggests that these changes would enhance the competitiveness of U.S. dry milk products in international markets since several other exporting countries have bacterial requirements more stringent than current U.S. standards. By reducing the bacterial requirements, the U.S. dry milk industry will be more competitive in international markets. Additionally, the standards would reflect improvements that have occurred in the quality of dry milk products produced in the United States.

Proposed by Dairy Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service:

USDA proposes to lower the maximum bacterial content requirement for the specified product grade standards, as suggested by the American Dairy Products Institute, as follows:

Current standard plate count	Proposed standard plate count
United States Standards for Grades of Nonfat Dry Milk (Spray Process)	
Extra Grade: 40,000/g	Extra Grade: 10,000/g.
United States Standards for Instant Nonfat Dry Milk	
Extra Grade: 30,000/g	Extra Grade: 10,000/g.
United States Standards for Grades of Dry Buttermilk and Dry Buttermilk Product	
Extra Grade: 50,000/g	Extra Grade: 20,000/g.
Standard Grade: 200,000/g	Standard Grade: 75,000/g.

This notice provides a 60-day comment period for interested parties to comment on proposed revisions to the standards.

Authority: (7 U.S.C. 1621-1627).

Dated: September 1, 2000.

Kathleen A. Merrigan,
Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Southwestern Region, Arizona, New Mexico, West Texas and Oklahoma Proposed 69KV Transmission Line Project on the Camino Real Ranger District, Carson National Forest, Taos County, NM

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: Based on a request made by the Kit Carson Electric Cooperative, the Carson National Forest is preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS) to analyze the effects of a proposal to authorize Kit Carson Cooperative to construct, operate and maintain a new 69 KV transmission line and fiber optic system on National Forest Lands from the Talpa substation to Penasco, New Mexico. The proposal also includes construction, operation and maintenance of a substation in Penasco and the relocation of a distribution line between Talpa and the Pot Creek

residential area. The proposal has several parts, some of which pertain directly to National Forest lands and for which the USDA Forest Service will make the decision. Other portions pertain to private lands, such as the proposed substation in Penasco, portions of the proposed line on the Picuris Pueblo and the State Highway Department, for which Kit Carson Electric Cooperative will negotiate for approval. The purpose of the project is to improve existing service by reducing voltage fluctuations and the number of outages. It is also to provide fiber optic capabilities to a number of small communities in the Penasco area.

DATES: The proposed action is currently available for review and comment. It is estimated that the draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) will be completed and distributed for comments by the end of November, 2000. A 45 day comment period will follow. The final environmental impact statement and a record of decision is estimated to be released by the end of July 2001.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the proposed action and DEIS will be available upon request from the Carson Forest Supervisor's Office, 208 Cruz Alta Road, Taos, NM 87571, Attn: Power Line Analysis Team. Comments related to the DEIS can be sent to the same address.

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL: The Forest Supervisor, Carson National Forest, is the responsible official and will decide whether or not the project will be implemented on Forest Service lands. If so, the Forest Supervisor will decide where, how and when they will be implemented.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Power Line Team Leader, Carson Forest Supervisor's Office (505) 758-6200. 40 CFR 1501.7

Dated: August 23, 2000.

Gilbert Vigil,

Forest Supervisor, Carson National Forest.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Additions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Additions to the Procurement List.

SUMMARY: This action adds to the Procurement List commodities and

services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 10, 2000.

ADDRESS: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Jefferson Plaza 2, Suite 10800, 1421 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3259.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Louis R. Bartalot (703) 603-7740

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 17 and July 21, 2000, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notices (65 FR 14532 and 45358) of proposed additions to the Procurement List.

After consideration of the material presented to it concerning capability of qualified nonprofit agencies to provide the commodities and services and impact of the additions on the current or most recent contractors, the Committee has determined that the commodities and services listed below are suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the commodities and services to the Government.

2. The action will not have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the commodities and services.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodities and services to the Government.

4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the commodities and services proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Accordingly, the following commodities and services are hereby added to the Procurement List:

Commodities

Paper Shredder
75201241 (Strip Cut)
75201242 (Cross Cut)
75201419 (Strip Cut)
75201420 (Cross Cut)
Bag, T-Shirt Style
8105-00-NIB-1023
(Requirements for DeCA Region Northeast)

Services

Grounds Maintenance, Marine Corps Recruit

Depot, San Diego, California
Janitorial/Custodial, New Executive Office Building, Jackson Place Townhouses, Winder Building and 1724 F Street, Washington, DC
Janitorial/Custodial, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge, Basking Ridge, New Jersey
Mailing Services, NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, Maryland

This action does not affect current contracts awarded prior to the effective date of this addition or options that may be exercised under those contracts.

Louis R. Bartalot,

Deputy Director (Operations).

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Additions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Proposed additions to Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee has received a proposal to add to the Procurement List commodities to be furnished by a nonprofit agency employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

Comments Must Be Received on or Before: October 10, 2000.

ADDRESS: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Jefferson Plaza 2, Suite 10800, 1421 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3259.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Louis R. Bartalot (703) 603-7740

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 47(a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the possible impact of the proposed action.

If the Committee approves the proposed additions, all entities of the Federal Government (except as otherwise indicated) will be required to procure the commodities listed below from a nonprofit agency employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or