

developed to serve as the basis for the recommendation to be made to Congress.

Public participation will be especially important at several points during the analysis. The Forest Service will be seeking information, comments, and assistance from Federal, State, Tribe, and local agencies, and other individuals or organizations who may be interested in or affected by the proposed actions. This information will be used in preparation of the draft legislative EIS. Public open houses to discuss this study are scheduled from 4 to 8 p.m. at the following locations: Monday, May 7, 2001, Snoqualmie Ranger District, 42404 SE North Bend Way, North Bend, Washington; Tuesday, May 8, 2001, Summit Inn, 603 State Route 906, Snoqualmie Pass, Washington; and Thursday, May 10, 2001, Hal Holms Community Center, 201 N. Ruby, Ellensburg, Washington.

The draft legislative EIS is expected to be filed with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and is to be available for public review by October 2001. The comment period on the draft legislative EIS will be 60 days from the date the EPA publishes the notice of availability in the **Federal Register**.

The Forest Service believes, at this early stage, it is important to give reviewers notice of several court ruling related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of a draft legislative EIS must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Cor. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the draft legislative EIS stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final legislative EIS may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the 60 day comment period so that substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final legislative EIS.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft legislative EIS should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to

specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft legislative EIS or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

The final legislative EIS is schedule to be completed by October 2002. The Forest Service will respond to the comments received during the comment period in the final legislative EIS. These comments will be forwarded to the Congressional committee with jurisdiction over the proposal along with the final legislative EIS and study report.

Dated: April 24, 2001.

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

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** June 4, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** 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:** Patrick T. Mooney (703) 603-7740.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On August 25, 2000, February 16 and March 9, 2001 the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notices (65 FR 51794, 66 FR 10664 and 14123) 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 service and impact of the additions on the current or most recent contractors, the Committee has determined that the commodities and

service 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 service to the Government.

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

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodities and service 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 service proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

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

#### *Commodities*

Power Duster

7045-00-NIB-0164

7045-00-NIB-0165

7045-00-NIB-0166

Wipes, White Board

7510-01-454-1159

#### *Service*

Microfilming, Commodities Future Trading Commission, 1155 21st Street, Washington, DC.

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.

**Patrick T. Mooney**,

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## **COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED**

### **Procurement List; Proposed Additions and Deletions**

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

**ACTION:** Proposed Additions to and Deletions from Procurement List.