

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Council discussion is limited to Forest Service staff and Council members. However, persons who wish to bring resource projects or other Resource Advisory Committee matters to the attention of the Council may file written statements with the Council staff before or after the meeting. Public input sessions will be provided and individuals who made written requests by May 6, 2006 will have the opportunity to address the Council at those sessions.

Dated: April 19, 2006.

Patricia M. O'Connor,

District Ranger, Yakutat Ranger District, Tongass National Forest.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Official Wet Gluten Determination for Hard Red Winter and Hard Red Spring Wheat

AGENCY: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) is announcing its intent to provide official determination of wet gluten content for Hard Red Winter (HRW) wheat and Hard Red Spring (HRS) wheat using a protein-based calibration on official near-infrared transmittance (NIRT) instruments. GIPSA will provide wet gluten content determination in hard red wheat as official criteria under the authority of the United States Grain Standards Act (USGSA).

DATES: Effective Date: May 1, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven N. Tanner, Director, Technical Services Division, GIPSA, USDA, 10383 N. Ambassador Drive, Kansas City, Missouri 64153; telephone (816) 891-0401; fax (816) 891-0478.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Buyers of wheat often ask for analysis of functional characteristics of the commodity being purchased, seeking data on factors other than determined during official inspection, including gluten functionality. Gluten, the primary functional protein in wheat, is responsible for the unique ability of milled wheat to produce bread, pasta, and noodle products. To date, GIPSA's official inspection system has not previously offered this information. Given industry interest in this factor,

GIPSA will now provide wet gluten determinations in hard red wheat. Wet gluten concentration is highly correlated to the total crude protein concentration of wheat. GIPSA utilized this correlation to develop a protein-based equation for predicting wet gluten content, on a 14 percent moisture basis, applicable to Hard Red Winter (HRW) wheat and Hard Red Spring (HRS) wheat.

GIPSA will implement the new wet gluten prediction equation on official NIRT instruments for hard red classes of wheat on May 1, 2006. The wet gluten test will be available upon request of an interested person, as official criteria for HRS and HRW wheat, under the authority of the USGSA, as amended. GIPSA believes offering this service will facilitate the marketing of wheat. Additional information will be posted on the GIPSA Web site at: <http://www.gipsa.usda.gov/>.

Authority: Pub. L. 94-582, 90 Stat. 2867, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*).

Patricia Donohue-Glavin,

Acting Administrator, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Additions and Deletion

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

ACTION: Proposed additions to and deletion from Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee is proposing to add to the Procurement List services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and to delete a service previously furnished by such agencies.

Comments Must be Received on or Before: May 28, 2006.

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 OR TO SUBMIT

COMMENTS CONTACT: Mary-Carolyn Bell, Telephone: (703) 603-7740, Fax: (703) 603-0655, or e-mail mbell@jwod.gov.

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 proposed actions.

Additions

If the Committee approves the proposed additions, the entities of the Federal government identified in this notice for each service will be required to procure the services listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

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. If approved, 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 services to the government.
2. If approved, the action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the services to the government.

3. 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 services proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Comments on this certification are invited. Commenters should identify the statement(s) underlying the certification on which they are providing additional information.

End of Certification

The following services are proposed for addition to Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

Services

Service Type/Location: Custodial Services, Dripping Springs, Aguirre Springs & Organ Mountain Recreation Sites, Dripping Springs, New Mexico.

NPA: Tresco, Inc., Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Contracting Activity: Bureau of Land Management, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Service Type/Location: Switchboard Operation, Carl Vinson VA Medical Center, 1826 Veterans Blvd. Dublin, Georgia.

NPA: Bobby Dodd Institute, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia.

Contracting Activity: VA Medical Center, Augusta, Georgia.

Deletion

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

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. If approved, the action may result in additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities.

2. If approved, the action may result in authorizing small entities to furnish the service to the government.

3. 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 service proposed for deletion from the Procurement List.

End of Certification

The following service is proposed for deletion from the Procurement List:

Service

Service Type/Location: Repair & Clean Respirators, Robins Air Force Base, Georgia.

NPA: Houston County Association for Exceptional Citizens, Inc., Warner Robins, Georgia.

Contracting Activity: Department of the Air Force.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Clarification of Scope of Procurement List Additions; 2007 Commodities Procurement List Addition; Comment Request

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

ACTION: Clarification of scope of the procurement preference and sourcing requirements for commodities and other products on the Procurement List; additions to Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee for Purchase From People Who are Blind or Severely Disabled (the Committee) is clarifying the scope of the procurement preference and sourcing requirements for commodities and other products on the Procurement List and providing notice of those which are proposed to be identified as satisfying Governmentwide requirements and thus subject to governmentwide procurement preference for calendar year 2007. The full list of these products and commodities, identified by National Stock Number (NSN), noun name is listed in this Notice and may also be found on the Committee's Web site at <http://www.jwod.gov>. Comments are solicited regarding the entire list and/or

specific commodities as identified by NSN.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before June 9, 2006.

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 OR TO SUBMIT COMMENTS CONTACT: Kimberly M. Zeich, Telephone: (703) 603–7740, Fax: (703) 603–0655, or e-mail Alist2007@jwod.gov.

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The decentralized nature of today's Federal acquisition environment requires the Committee to more specifically consider and communicate the applicability of each Procurement List addition, depending on the type of product and scope of the associated requiring/contracting activities. There are effectively three categories of products furnished under the auspices of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day (JWOD) Program, each with a different level of procurement source preference.

The first category (the A List) contains commodity-type products that are commonly used in office and light industrial settings. These products, when furnished by the JWOD Program, are widely available through multiple Government and commercial distribution channels, and are delivered to customers in timeframes consistent with industry best practices. For most office supplies, this means on a next-day or two-day basis. For oversize office products (e.g., chair mats), or janitorial/sanitary products, delivery times may be three to five days after receipt of order. All such products meet the broad preference requirements of the JWOD Act and must be purchased by Federal employees whenever they will meet customer needs and will be available within required timeframes. JWOD-authorized commercial distributors must stock the items, obtain them from wholesalers or, to the extent permitted, coordinate nonprofit agency shipments, to make A-List items available for quick delivery. The commercial equivalents to these products, as determined by the Committee, are identified to the Government and commercial distribution channels, and are excluded from contract sales to Federal employees in accordance with the

Committee's regulations at 41 CFR 51–5.3(a). If a Federal customer orders an equivalent item, JWOD-authorized distributors will substitute and deliver the corresponding A List product instead. Examples of A List products include writing instruments, paper pads, desktop accessories, general purpose cleaner in retail-sized bottles, and disposable breakroom supplies.

The second category (the B List) contains more specialized or niche products that are most often designed and manufactured to meet the needs of a single Federal agency, or a group of customers with a unique requirement. These products, when furnished under the JWOD Program, are typically sponsored by and have procurement preference for the specific Federal agency which defined the requirement. The JWOD procurement preference does not apply to Federal agencies that are not identified on the Procurement List documentation for such items. However, their placement on the Committee's Procurement List affords such products sole source purchasing availability to other Federal agencies that may choose to use those products. Commercial products that are equivalent to B List items are not prohibited on Government contracts or Schedule awards. An example of a B List product is latex examination gloves added to the Procurement List for the specific requirements of the Transportation Security Administration, but available to other Federal agencies who may purchase similar gloves.

The third category (the R List) contains restricted products, which are manufactured under the JWOD Program for one or a few very specific military or civilian agency requirements, and are only made available to Federal customers through the distribution channels authorized by the requiring office. Products on the R List are not intended to fulfill a broad Government requirement, and are not commodities. Due to these restrictions, these products will not be offered in general distribution channels. Examples of R List products include chemical protective suits furnished to the Department of Defense and tree-marking paint manufactured for the U.S. Forest Service.

In the future, when proposing to add a product to its Procurement List, the Committee notices published in the **Federal Register** will identify the category group (A List, B List or R List) to which the product has been assigned, and thus identify the scope of the JWOD procurement preference.

In accordance with clarification of the scope of A List products provided