

SUMMARY: This is an amendment of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Texas (FEMA-1624-DR), dated 01/11/2006.

Incident: Extreme Wildfire Threat.

Incident Period: 12/01/2005 and continuing.

Effective Date: 03/17/2006.

Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 04/12/2006.

EIDL Loan Application Deadline Date: 10/11/2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, National Processing And Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of the Presidential disaster declaration for the State of Texas, dated 01/11/2006 is hereby amended to include the following areas as adversely affected by the disaster:

Primary Counties:

Anderson; Bastrop; Deaf Smith; Parker.

Contiguous Counties:

New Mexico: Curry; Quay.
Texas: Caldwell; Castro; Cherokee; Fayette; Freestone; Henderson; Houston; Lee; Leon; Oldham; Parmer; Potter; Randall; Travis; Williamson.

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008.)

Herbert L. Mitchell,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Small Business Size Standards: Waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Notice of denial to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Water Treatment Chemicals.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is denying a request for a waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Water Treatment Chemicals based on our recent discovery of small business manufacturers for these classes of products. Denying this waiver will require recipients of contracts set aside for small businesses, service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses, or SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program to provide the products of small business manufacturers or processors on such contracts.

DATES: This notice of denial is effective April 10, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Edith Butler, Program Analyst, by telephone at (202) 619-0422; by FAX at (202) 481-1788; or by e-mail at edith.butler@sba.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 8(a)(17) of the Small Business Act (Act), 15 U.S.C. 637(a)(17), requires that recipients of Federal contracts set aside for small businesses, service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses, or SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program provide the product of a small business manufacturer or processor, if the recipient is other than the actual manufacturer or processor of the product. This requirement is commonly referred to as the Nonmanufacturer Rule.

The SBA regulations imposing this requirement are found at 13 CFR 121.406(b). Section 8(a)(17)(b)(iv) of the

Act authorizes SBA to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for any "class of products" for which there are no small business manufacturers or processors available to participate in the Federal market.

As implemented in SBA's regulations at 13 CFR 121.1202(c), in order to be considered available to participate in the Federal market for a class of products, a small business manufacturer must have submitted a proposal for a contract solicitation or received a contract from the Federal government within the last 24 months. The SBA defines "class of products" based on a six digit coding system. The coding system is the Office of Management and Budget North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

The SBA received a request on December 12, 2005 to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Water Treatment Chemicals. In response, on January 18, 2006, SBA published in the **Federal Register** a notice of intent to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Water Treatment Chemicals. SBA explained in the notice that it was soliciting comments and sources of small business manufacturers of these classes of products. In response to that January 18, 2006 notice, SBA received comments from small business manufacturers indicating that they have furnished these products to the Federal government. Accordingly, based on the available information, SBA has determined that there are small business manufacturers of these classes of products, and, is therefore denying the class waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Water Treatment Chemicals, NAICS codes 325188 and 325199.

Dated: March 20, 2006.

Karen C. Hontz,

Associate Administrator for Government Contracting.

ATTACHMENT A: PRODUCT LISTING

SIN 524-2 FUEL OIL TREATMENT CHEMICALS

FuelSolv FS915	FuelSolv FS917	FuelSolv MGP3275	FuelSolv PB901.
FuelSolv FS916		FuelSolv OMG8500	

SIN 524-2 BOILER TREATMENT CHEMICALS

Aquamax IEC2	OptiGuard MCA624	Optisperse CPS501	Steamate NA2140.
Aquamax IEC800	RediFeed OptiGuard	Optisperse CPS502	Steamate NA2260.
CorTrol IS100	MCA630	Optisperse CPS503	Steamate NA700.
CorTrol IS102	OptiGuard MCM610	Optisperse CPS504	Steamate NA701.
CorTrol IS103	RediFeed OptiGuard	Optisperse PO400	Steamate NA702.
CorTrol IS104	MCM955	Optisperse PO423	Steamate NA703.
CorTrol IS3000	OptiGuard MCP600	Optisperse PO424	Steamate NA707.
CorTrol OS131	OptiGuard MCP601	Optisperse SP530	Steamate NA711.
CorTrol OS133	RediFeed OptiGuard	Optisperse SP531	Steamate NA713.
CorTrol OS5300	MCP953	Optisperse SP532	Steamate NA715.

ATTACHMENT A: PRODUCT LISTING—Continued

CorTrol OS7780	Optisperse ADJ560	Steamate FM760	
	Optisperse ADJ561	Steamate FM761	
	Optisperse APO200	Steamate FM1000	
	Optisperse APO520	Steamate NA0240	
	Optisperse AP301	Steamate NA0540	
	Optisperse AP302		
	Optisperse CL361		
	Optisperse CL362		
	Optisperse CL363		
	Optisperse CPS500		

SIN 524-2 COOLING WATER TREATMENT CHEMICALS

Continuum AEC213	Depositrol PY5200	Inhibitor AZ604	Spectrus NX106.
Continuum AEC216	Depositrol SF502	Inhibitor AZ660	Spectrus NX108.
Continuum AEC217	Depositrol SF504	Inhibitor AZ8101	Spectrus NX110.
Continuum AEC218	Dianodic DN300	Inhibitor PM508	Spectrus NX1104.
Continuum AEC223	Dianodic DN302	Inhibitor PM608	Spectrus NX112.
Continuum AEC225	Dianodic DN310	Inhibitor PM609	Spectrus NX114.
Continuum AEC230	Ferroquest LP7200	Inhibitor PM610	Spectrus NX122.
Continuum AEC231	Ferroquest LP7202	Kleen AC9507	Spectrus OX101.
Continuum AEC232	FloGard POT802	RediFeed Continuum AT901	Spectrus OX103.
Continuum AT201	FloGard POT807	RediFeed Continuum AT902	Spectrus OX105.
Continuum AT202	FoamTrol AF2290	RediFeed Spectrus OX903	Spectrus OX903.
Continuum AT203	FoamTrol AF706	Spectrus BD152	Spectrus OX909.
Continuum AT205	FoamTrol AF724	Spectrus BD1550	Spectrus OX1201.
Continuum AT209	FoamTrol AF1440	Spectrus NX102	Spectrus OX1240.
Continuum AT220		Spectrus NX104	
Depositrol PY505			

SIN 524-2 CLOSED SYSTEM TREATMENT CHEMICALS

Corrshield MD400	Corrshield NT402	Corrshield OR404	Ferroquest FQ7102.
Corrshield MD407	Corrshield NT403	Ferroquest FQ7101	Ferroquest FQ7103.
	Corrshield NT411		

SIN 524-2 MULTI FUNCTION PRODUCTS

AE 1128P	KlarAid IC 1172P	ProSweet OC2532.	
BioPlus BA900	KlarAid PC 1192P	ProSweet OC2533.	
BioPlus BA2920	KlarAid PC 1195P	ProSweet OC2534.	
BioPlus BA2921	PolyFloc AE 1115	ProSweet OC2543.	
Pot 804	PolyFloc AP 1100		
KlarAid CDP 1339P	PolyFloc AP 1120P		

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5351]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Forms DS-1998 and DS-1998E, Foreign Service Written Examination Registration Form, OMB Control Number 1405-0008

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment in the **Federal Register** preceding submission to OMB. We are conducting this process in

accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

- *Title of Information Collection:* Registration for the Foreign Service Officer Written Examination.
- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0008.
- *Type of Request:* Revision of a Currently Approved Collection.
- *Originating Office:* Human Resources, HR/REE/BEX.
- *Form Number:* DS-1998 & DS-1998-E.
- *Respondents:* Registrants for the Foreign Service Written Examination.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 35,147.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 35,147.
- *Average Hours Per Response:* 20 minutes.
- *Total Estimated Burden:* 11,716 hours.
- *Frequency:* Annually.
- *Obligation to Respond:* Required to obtain or retain a benefit.

DATES: The Department will accept comments from the public up to 60 days from March 24, 2006.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- E-mail: deanmm@state.gov.
- Mail (paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions): Margaret Dean, HR/REE/BEX, SA-1, 2401 E Street, NW., H-518, Washington, DC 20522.
- Fax: (202) 261-8843, Att: Margaret Dean.

You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and OMB control number in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed information collection and supporting documents, to Margaret Dean, HR/REE/BEX, SA-1, 2401 E Street, NW., H-518, Washington,