

group of local government representatives, State agency personnel, other Federal agencies, members of the Washoe Tribe and the Yerington Paiute Tribe, organizations, and interested citizens to jointly prepare the Pine Nut Mountain Plan Amendment. Public scoping meetings will be held in conjunction with the Douglas and Lyon County regularly scheduled County Commissioner meetings and the Carson City Board of Supervisors meetings. Public participation activities, including scoping meetings to identify issues and planning criteria, will be announced at least 15 days before the scheduled meeting in the local news media and notices sent to persons and parties on the mailing list. These meetings will be held in order to allow the public an opportunity to identify issues and concerns to be addressed in the plan amendment and environmental analysis. Scoping comments will be accepted until March 31, 2002, or 60 days from the publication of this notice, whichever is later. Scoping comments may be submitted during the public meetings or sent to: Field Office Manager, Bureau of Land Management, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, NV 89701.

If you wish to withhold your name or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations and businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be available for public inspection in their entirety.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information, write to the Field Manager of the Carson City Field Office at the address listed in the **DATES** section of this notice, call or email Tom Crawford (BLM Team Leader) at (775) 885-6169, or Mike McQueen (BLM NEPA Coordinator) at (775) 885-6120.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The proposed plan amendment schedule is as follows:

Begin Public Scoping and Planning Criteria Review—January, 2002  
Release Draft Plan Amendment/EIS for 90-day Public Review—April, 2003  
Release Proposed Plan Amendment and Final EIS for 60-day Governor's Consistency Review and concurrent 30-day public protest period—April, 2004  
Issue Plan Amendment and Record of Decision—June, 2004

The Carson City Field Office Consolidated Resource Management Plan and the Pre-Plan Analysis and Project Management Plan for the Pine Nut mountains Plan Amendment are available at the Carson City Field Office.

#### **Preliminary Planning Criteria**

Preliminary planning criteria have been developed to ensure that the plan amendment is tailored to the issues identified and ensure that unnecessary data collection and analysis would be avoided. These criteria may change in response to public comment and coordination with State and local governments or other Federal agencies. The criteria developed for the Pine Nut Mountains Plan Amendment are described below.

1. Any lands located within the Pine Nut Mountains Planning Area administrative boundary, which are acquired by the BLM, will be managed in a manner consistent with the plan subject to any constraints associated with the acquisition.
2. The plan will recognize the State's responsibility to manage wildlife.
3. The plan will address transportation and access.
4. The planning process will involve Native American tribal governments and will provide strategies for the consideration of recognized traditional uses.
5. Decisions in the plan will strive to be consistent with the existing plans and policies of adjacent local, State, Tribal and Federal agencies, to the extent consistent with Federal law.
6. Plan will support BLM's noxious weed policy as outlined in the Partners Against Weeds document (January 1996) and the CCFO's Weed Prevention Schedule (1997).
7. GIS and metadata information will meet FGDC EO 12906 (June 8, 1994) standards.

Dated: December 11, 2001.

**John O. Singlaub,**

*Field Office Manager.*

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

##### **Bureau of Land Management**

**[WY-920-1320-EL]**

##### **Powder River Regional Coal Team Activities: Notice of Public Meeting in Casper, WY**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Powder River Regional Coal Team (RCT) has scheduled a public meeting for May 30, 2002, to review current and proposed activities in the Powder River Coal Region and to review pending coal lease applications (LBA).

**DATES:** The RCT meeting will begin at 9 a.m. MDT on May 30, 2002. The meeting is open to the public.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Building, 777 West First Street, Casper, Wyoming 82602.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bob Janssen, Regional Coal Coordinator, BLM Wyoming State Office, Division of Minerals and Lands, 5353 Yellowstone Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82009; telephone 307-775-6206.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The primary purpose of the meeting is to discuss pending coal lease by applications (LBA's) in the Powder River Basin. Specific applications for the RCT to consider include:

1. *Mt. Logan LBA.* This new LBA, filed by Cordero Mining Co., is for 7,247.01 acres with approximately 614.4 million tons of Federal coal. The RCT needs to consider the processing schedule for the Mt. Logan LBA.
2. *West Extension-Eagle Butte LBA.* This new LBA, filed by RAG Wyoming Land Co., is adjacent to the Eagle Butte Mine. Approximately 1656.62 acres and 200 million tons of Federal coal are involved. The RCT needs to consider the processing schedule for the West Extension-Eagle Butte LBA.
3. *Big Thunder LBA.* This new LBA, filed by Jacob's Ranch Coal Co. is adjacent to the Black Thunder and Jacob's Ranch mines. Approximately 5634.00 acres and 715.0 million tons of Federal coal are involved. This application overlaps the Little Thunder LBA which is presently being processed. The RCT needs to consider the processing schedule for the Big Thunder LBA and also the overlap with the Little Thunder LBA.

4. Any other LBAs filed before the May 30, 2002, meeting. The RCT may generate recommendation(s) for any or all of these topics.

The meeting will serve as a forum for public discussion on Federal coal management issues of concern in the Powder River Basin region. Any party interested in providing comments or data related to the above pending applications may either do so in writing to the State Director (925), BLM Wyoming State Office, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, WY 82003, no later than May 15, 2002, or by addressing the RCT with his/her concerns at the meeting on May 30, 2002.

The draft agenda for the meeting follows:

1. Introduction of RCT Members and guests.
2. Approval of the Minutes of the October 25, 2000 Regional Coal Team meeting held in Cheyenne, Wyoming.
3. Coal activity since last RCT meeting.
4. Industry Presentations:
  - Cordero Mining Co., Mt. Logan LBA
  - RAG Wyoming Land Company, West Extension-Eagle Butte LBA
  - Jacobs Ranch Coal Co., Big Thunder LBA
5. Other pending coal actions and other discussion items that may arise
6. RCT Recommendations
- Review and recommendation(s) on pending Lease Application(s).
7. Discussion of the next meeting.
8. Adjourn.

Dated: March 4, 2002.

**Alan R. Pierson,**

*State Director, Wyoming BLM.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

#### National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska Oil and Gas Lease Sale 2002

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska Oil and Gas Lease Sale 2002.

National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska (NPR-A); Notice of Sale and Notice of Availability of the Detailed Statement of Sale for Oil and Gas Lease Sale 2002 in the NPR-A.

The Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office will be holding an oil and gas lease sale bid opening for the Northeast Study Area of the NPR-A at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, June 3, 2002, at the Wilda Marston Theatre in the Z. J. Loussac Public Library, 3600 Denali Street, Anchorage, Alaska. With the exception of one new tract, Tract 2002-H-157, all tracts were previously offered in Sale 991 on May 5, 1999, but received no bids.

All bids must be submitted by sealed bid in accordance with the provisions identified in the Detailed Statement of Sale and received at the Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 W. 7th, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599 no later than 3:45 p.m., Friday, May 31, 2002.

The Detailed Statement of Sale for Sale 2002 may be obtained by written

request to the Public Information Center, Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 W. 7th, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599 or by telephone at (907) 271-5960. It will include, among other things, a description of the areas to be offered for lease, the lease terms, conditions and special stipulations and how and where to submit bids. It will be available to the public immediately after publication of this Notice.

Dated: April 5, 2002.

**Gene R. Terland,**

*Acting State Director, Alaska State Office, Bureau of Land Management.*

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## INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

**[Investigation No. 731-TA-991 (Preliminary)]**

### Silicon Metal From Russia

#### Determination

On the basis of the record<sup>1</sup> developed in the subject investigation, the United States International Trade Commission (Commission) determines,<sup>2</sup> pursuant to section 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1673b(a)) (the Act), that there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports from Russia of silicon metal, provided for in subheadings 2804.69.10 and 2804.69.50 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV).

#### Commencement of Final Phase Investigation

Pursuant to § 207.18 of the Commission's rules, the Commission also gives notice of the commencement of the final phase of its investigation. The Commission will issue a final phase notice of scheduling, which will be published in the **Federal Register** as provided in § 207.21 of the Commission's rules, upon notice from the Department of Commerce (Commerce) of an affirmative preliminary determination in the investigation under section 733(b) of the Act, if the preliminary determination is negative, upon notice of an affirmative final determination in that investigation under section 735(a) of the Act.

<sup>1</sup> The record is defined in § 207.2(f) of the Commission's rules of practice and procedure (19 CFR 207.2(f)).

<sup>2</sup> Vice Chairman Deanna Tanner Okun not participating.

Parties that filed entries of appearance in the preliminary phase of the investigation need not enter a separate appearance for the final phase of the investigation. Industrial users, and, if the merchandise under investigation is sold at the retail level, representative consumer organizations have the right to appear as parties in Commission antidumping and countervailing duty investigations. The Secretary will prepare a public list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to the investigation.

#### Background

On March 7, 2002, a petition was filed with the Commission and Commerce by Globe Metallurgical Inc. (Globe), Cleveland, OH; SIMCALA, Inc., Mt. Meigs, AL; the International Union of Electronic, Electrical, Salaried, Machine and Furniture Workers (I.U.E.-C.W.A., AFL-CIO, C.L.C., Local 693), Selma, AL; the Paper, Allied-Industrial Chemical and Energy Workers International Union (Local 5-89), Boomer, WV; and the United Steel Workers of America (AFL-CIO, Local 9436), Niagara Falls, NY, alleging that an industry in the United States is materially injured and threatened with material injury by reason of imports of silicon metal from Russia that are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). Accordingly, effective March 7, 2002, the Commission instituted antidumping duty investigation No. 731-TA-991 (Preliminary).

Notice of the institution of the Commission's investigation and of a public conference to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the **Federal Register** of March 15, 2002 (67 FR 11709). The conference was held in Washington, DC, on March 26, 2002, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.

The Commission transmitted its determination in this investigation to the Secretary of Commerce on April 22, 2002. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 3502 (April 2002), entitled *Silicon Metal From Russia: Investigation No. 731-TA-991 (Preliminary)*.

Issued: April 24, 2002.

By order of the Commission.

**Marilyn R. Abbott,**  
*Secretary.*

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