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Dated: August 8, 2003.

Francis X. Taylor,

Assistant Secretary of State for Diplomatic Security and Director, Office of Foreign Missions, Department of State.

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TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Tennessee Valley Authority (Meeting No. 1547).

TIME AND DATE: 9 a.m. (EDT), August 27, 2003; TVA West Tower Auditorium, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee.

STATUS: Open.

Agenda

Approval of minutes of meeting held on July 30, 2003.

New Business

A—Budget and Financing

A1. Rate change and rate adjustment.

A2. Approval of short-term borrowing from the United States Treasury.

C—Energy

C1. Contract with Tool Smith Company, Inc., for purchase, repair, and rental of power tools.

C2. Contracts with the following companies for construction/modification services for TVA's Facilities Management and River System Operations and Environment organizations: Raines Brothers, Inc.; Schaerer Contracting Company, Inc.; and Vega Corporation, all of Chattanooga, Tennessee; Commercial Contracting Company, Maryville, Tennessee; Stethen-Smith Construction Company, Knoxville, Tennessee; Johnson Contractors, Inc., and Cates & Puckett Construction Company, Inc., both of Muscle Shoals, Alabama; B. H. Craig Construction Company, Inc.,

Florence, Alabama; Morsey, Inc., Calvert City, Kentucky; and M. P. Lawson Construction, Inc., Paducah, Kentucky.

E—Real Property Transactions

E1. Public auction sale of approximately 1.6 acres of land adjacent to the Singleton Laboratory site on Fort Loudoun Reservoir in Blount County, Tennessee, Tract No. XFL-135.

E2. Abandonment of certain transmission line easement rights affecting approximately 23.0 acres of land, Tract Nos. KDHR-2, KDHR-4, and KDHR-5, to Vulcan Materials, in exchange for transmission line easement rights affecting approximately 24.6 acres of land in Livingston County, Kentucky, Tract No. 2KDHR-1.

E3. Abandonment of certain transmission line easement rights affecting approximately 12.8 acres of land, Tract Nos. WGFL-2, WGFL-3, WGFL-4, TRF-12, and TRF-13, to BP Amoco Chemical Company, in exchange for transmission line easement rights affecting approximately 39.14 acres of land in Morgan County, Alabama, Tract No. MECT-1.

E4. Grant of a 30-year term public recreation easement for use as a public park to the City of Stevenson, Alabama, affecting approximately 122 acres of land on Guntersville Reservoir in Jackson County, Alabama, Tract No. XTGR-83RE.

E5. Grant of permanent and temporary construction easements to the State of Tennessee for a highway improvement project affecting approximately .53 acre of land on the Norton Hill Microwave Repeater Station site in Madison County, Tennessee, Tract No. XTWJRS-1H.

E6. Grant of a permanent easement to the State of Tennessee for a highway improvement project affecting approximately .4 acre of land on Watts Bar Reservoir in Roane County, Tennessee, Tract No. XTWBR-144H.

F—Other

F1. Designation of Edwin W. Small and Michael L. Wills as Assistant Secretaries of TVA.

F2. Approval to file condemnation cases to acquire easements and rights-of-way for a TVA power transmission line project affecting the Leake-Singleton Transmission Line in Leake County, Mississippi.

Information Items

1. Approval to enter into a financial arrangement associated with a call provision which TVA has on its 1993 Series F Power Bonds and for delegations to take related actions.

2. Approval of the issuance, sale, and delivery of TVA Power Bonds.

3. Approval of the appointment of John M. Hoskins to the Board of Directors of the TVA Retirement System.

4. Approval of a contract with KEMA, Inc., to provide project management and engineering support in connection with TVA's Power System Optimization Project.

5. Approval of an amendment to the Business Practice entitled, "The Acquisition and Disposal of Fossil Fuels and Related Transportation and Storage."

6. Sale of a permanent easement to Kentucky Utilities Company for a 69kV double circuit transmission line, affecting approximately 4.47 acres of land on Kentucky Reservoir Dam Reservation in Livingston County, Kentucky, Tract No. XGIR-939T.

7. Approval to file condemnation cases to acquire easements and rights-of-way for TVA power transmission line projects affecting the Batesville-Blue Goose Transmission Line in Panola and Tate Counties, Mississippi, and the John Sevier-Alcoa Loop into State Route 160 Substation Transmission Line in Hamblen County, Tennessee.

8. Approval of a revised Business Practice 12 entitled, "Legal Representation."

For more information: Please call TVA Media Relations at (865) 632-6000, Knoxville, Tennessee. Information is also available at TVA's Washington Office (202) 898-2999. People who plan to attend the meeting and have special needs should call (865) 632-6000. Anyone who wishes to comment on any of the agenda in writing may send their comments to: TVA Board of Directors, Board Agenda Comments, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

Dated: August 20, 2003.

Maureen H. Dunn,

General Counsel and Secretary.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Request for Comments and Notice of Public Hearing Concerning Proposed United States-Bahrain Free Trade Agreement

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice of intent to initiate negotiations on a free trade agreement between the United States and Bahrain,

request for comments, and notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: The United States intends to initiate negotiations with Bahrain on a free trade agreement. The interagency Trade Policy Staff Committee (TPSC) will convene a public hearing and seek public comment to assist the United States Trade Representative (USTR) in amplifying and clarifying negotiating objectives for the proposed agreement and to provide advice on how specific goods and services and other matters should be treated under the proposed agreement.

DATES: Persons wishing to testify orally at the hearing must provide written notification of their intention, as well as their testimony, by October 17, 2003. A hearing will be held in Washington, DC, beginning on November 5, 2003 and will continue as necessary on subsequent days. Written comments are due by noon, November 17, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submissions by electronic mail: *FR0092@ustr.gov* (notice of intent to testify and written testimony); *FR0093@ustr.gov* (written comments). Submissions by facsimile: Gloria Blue, Executive Secretary, Trade Policy Staff Committee, at (202) 395-6143. The public is strongly encouraged to submit documents electronically rather than by facsimile. (See requirements for submissions below.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For procedural questions concerning written comments or participation in the public hearing, contact Gloria Blue, Executive Secretary, Trade Policy Staff Committee, at (202) 395-3475. All other questions should be directed to Jason Buntin, Director for Western Europe and Middle East Affairs at (202) 395-3320.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. Background

Under section 2104 of the Trade Act of 2002 (Trade Act) (19 U.S.C. 3804), for agreements that will be approved and implemented through trade promotion authority (TPA) procedures, the President must provide the Congress with at least 90 days written notice of his intent to enter into negotiations and must identify the specific objectives for the negotiations. Before and after the submission of this notice, the President must consult with appropriate Congressional committees and the Congressional Oversight Group (COG) regarding the negotiations. Under the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, the President must (i) afford interested persons an opportunity to present their views regarding any matter relevant to any proposed agreement, (ii) designate

an agency or inter-agency committee to hold a public hearing regarding any proposed agreement, and (iii) seek the advice of the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) regarding the probable economic effects on U.S. industries and consumers of the removal of tariffs and non-tariff barriers on imports pursuant to any proposed agreement.

On August 4, 2003, after consulting with relevant Congressional committees and the COG, the USTR notified the Congress that the President intends to initiate free trade agreement negotiations with Bahrain and identified specific objectives for the negotiations. In addition, the USTR has requested that the ITC provide its advice on probable economic effects no later than December 13, 2003. This notice solicits views from the public on these negotiations and provides information on a hearing that will be conducted pursuant to the requirements of the Trade Act of 1974.

2. Public Comments and Testimony

To assist the Administration as it continues to develop its negotiating objectives for the proposed agreement, the Chairman of the TPSC invites written comments and/or oral testimony of interested persons at a public hearing. Comments and testimony may address the reduction or elimination of tariffs or non-tariff barriers on any articles provided for in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) that are products of Bahrain, any concession that should be sought by the United States, or any other matter relevant to the proposed agreement. The TPSC invites comments and testimony on all of these matters and, in particular, seeks comments and testimony addressed to:

(a) General and commodity-specific negotiating objectives for the proposed agreement.

(b) Economic costs and benefits to U.S. producers and consumers of removal of tariffs and non-tariff barriers to U.S.-Bahrain trade.

(c) Treatment of specific goods (described by Harmonized System tariff numbers) under the proposed agreement, including comments on

(1) product-specific import or export interests or barriers,

(2) experience with particular measures that should be addressed in the negotiations, and

(3) in the case of articles for which immediate elimination of tariffs is not appropriate, a recommended staging schedule for such elimination.

(d) Adequacy of existing customs measures to ensure Bahraini origin of

imported goods, and appropriate rules of origin for goods entering the United States under the proposed agreement.

(e) Existing Bahraini sanitary and phytosanitary measures and technical barriers to trade.

(f) Existing barriers to trade in services between the United States and Bahrain that should be addressed in the negotiations.

(g) Relevant trade-related intellectual property rights issues that should be addressed in the negotiations.

(h) Relevant investment issues that should be addressed in the negotiations.

(i) Relevant government procurement issues that should be addressed in the negotiations.

(j) Relevant environmental and labor issues that should be addressed in the negotiations.

Comments identifying as present or potential trade barriers laws or regulations that are not primarily trade-related should address the economic, political and social objectives of such regulations and the degree to which they discriminate against producers of the other country. At a later date, the USTR, through the TPSC, will publish notice of reviews regarding (a) the possible environmental effects of the proposed agreement and the scope of the U.S. environmental review of the proposed agreement, and (b) the impact of the proposed agreement on U.S. employment and labor markets.

A hearing will be held on November 5, 2003, in Rooms 1 and 2, 1724 F Street, NW, Washington, DC. If necessary, the hearing will continue on subsequent days. Persons wishing to testify at the hearing must provide written notification of their intention October 17, 2003. The notification should include: (1) The name, address, and telephone number of the person presenting the testimony; and (2) a short (one or two paragraphs) summary of the presentation, including the subject matter and, as applicable, the product(s) (with HTSUS numbers), service sector(s), or other subjects (such as investment, intellectual property and/or government procurement) to be discussed. A copy of the testimony must accompany the notification. Remarks at the hearing should be limited to no more than five minutes to allow for possible questions from the TPSC. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the hearing should contact the TPSC Executive Secretary. Interested persons, including persons who participate in the hearing, may submit written comments by noon, November 17, 2003. Written comments may include rebuttal points demonstrating

errors of fact or analysis not pointed out in the hearing. All written comments must state clearly the position taken, describe with particularity the supporting rationale, and be in English. The first page of written comments must specify the subject matter, including, as applicable, the product(s) (with HTSUS numbers), service sector(s), or other subjects (such as investment, intellectual property and/or government procurement).

3. Requirements for Submissions

In order to facilitate prompt processing of submissions, the Office of the United States Trade Representative strongly urges and prefers electronic (e-mail) submissions in response to this notice. In the event that an e-mail submission is impossible, submissions should be made by facsimile.

Persons making submissions by e-mail should use the following subject line: "United States-Bahrain Free Trade Agreement" followed by (as appropriate) "Notice of Intent to Testify," "Testimony," or "Written Comments." Documents should be submitted as either WordPerfect, MSWord, or text (.TXT) files. Supporting documentation submitted as spreadsheets are acceptable as Quattro Pro or Excel. For any document containing business confidential information submitted electronically, the file name of the business confidential version should begin with the characters "BC-," and the file name of the public version should begin with the characters "P-." The "P-" or "BC-" should be followed by the name of the submitter. Persons who make submissions by e-mail should not provide separate cover letters; information that might appear in a cover letter should be included in the submission itself. To the extent possible, any attachments to the submission should be included in the same file as the submission itself, and not as separate files.

Written comments, notice of testimony, and testimony will be placed in a file open to public inspection pursuant to 15 CFR 2003.5, except business confidential information exempt from public inspection in accordance with 15 CFR 2003.6. Business confidential information submitted in accordance with 15 CFR 2003.6 must be clearly marked "Business Confidential" at the top of each page, including any cover letter or cover page, and must be accompanied by a non-confidential summary of the confidential information. All public documents and non-confidential summaries shall be available for public

inspection in the USTR Reading Room. The USTR Reading Room is open to the public, by appointment only, from 10 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. An appointment to review the file must be scheduled at least 48 hours in advance and may be made by calling (202) 395-6186.

General information concerning the Office of the United States Trade Representative may be obtained by accessing its Internet Web site (www.ustr.gov).

Carmen Suro-Bredie,

Chairman, Trade Policy Staff Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

August 12, 2003.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 11000, 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 24, 2003 to be assured of consideration.

Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB)

OMB Number: 1513-0011.

Form Number: TTB F 5150.19.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Formula and/or Process for Articles Made with Specially Denatured Spirits.

Description: TTB F 5150.19 is completed by persons who use specially denatured spirits in the manufacture of certain articles. TTB uses the information provided on the form to insure the manufacturing formulas and processes conform to the requirement of 26 U.S.C. 5273.

Respondents: Business of other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,683.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Respondent: 54 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 2,415 hours.

OMB Number: 1513-0012.

Form Number: TTB F 5150.186.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: User's Report of Denatured Spirits.

Description: The information on TTB F 5150.18 is used to pinpoint unusual activities in the use of specially denatured spirits. The form shows a summary of activities at permit premises. TTB examines and verifies certain entries on these reports to identify unusual activities, errors and omissions.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,765.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Respondent: 18 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 830 hours.

OMB Number: 1513-0029.

Form Number: TTB F 5120.20.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Certification of Tax Determination—Wine.

Description: TTB F 5120.20 supports the exporter's claim for drawback, as the producing winery verifies that the wine being exported was in fact taxpaid.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Respondent: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 500 hours.

OMB Number: 1513-0038.

Form Number: TTB F 5100.16.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Application for Transfer of Spirits and/or Denatured Spirits in Bond.

Description: TTB F 5100.16 is completed by distilled spirits plant proprietors who wish to receive spirits in bond from other distilled spirits plants. TTB uses the information to determine if the applicant has sufficient bond coverage for the additional tax liability assumed when spirits are transferred in bond.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 250.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Respondent: 12 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 300 hours.

OMB Number: 1513-0039.