

position limits for these commodities. For purposes of combining positions, one mini-sized contract would be treated as equivalent to one-fifth of one CBT 5,000-bushel contract. Currently, traders' positions in MACE and CBT corn, soybean and wheat futures contracts are subject to speculative position limits that are specified separately for each exchange. The proposed rules also would specify that holders of outstanding 1,000-bushel warehouse depository receipts and certificates must present such receipts and certificates to issuers in multiples of 5 receipts or certificates in order to receive load-out of the underlying corn, soybeans or wheat.¹

Trading of the new mini-sized contracts would be by open outcry. In this regard, the CBT is proposing to adopt new regulation 332.11 which specifies the CBT's requirements in relation to changers and changing transactions.

The CBT stated that it intends to commence trading of the new mini-sized corn, soybean and wheat futures contracts in the second calendar quarter of 2003.

The Division is requesting comment on the proposals. Copies of the Exchange's proposal will be available for inspection at the Office of the Secretariat, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW., Washington 20581. Copies of the proposal can also be obtained through the Office of the Secretariat by mail at the above address or by phone at (202) 418-5100.

Other materials submitted by the CBT in support of the request for approval may be available upon request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and the Commission's regulations thereunder (17 CFR part 145 (2002)), except to the extent they are entitled to confidential treatment as set forth in 17 CFR 145.5 and 145.9. Requests for copies of such materials should be made to the FOI, Privacy and Sunshine Act Compliance Staff of the Office of the Secretariat at the Commission's headquarters in accordance with 17 CFR 145.7 and 145.8.

Any person interested in submitting written data, views, or arguments pertaining to the proposal or with respect to other materials submitted by the CBT should send such comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW., Washington 20581 by the specified date.

Issued in Washington, DC on March 3, 2003.

Michael Gorham,
Director.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act; Meeting

TIME AND DATE: Monday, March 17, 2003, 10 a.m.

LOCATION: Room 420, Bethesda Towers, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

STATUS: Open to the Public.

MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Petition HP 01-3 to Ban Chromated Copper Arsenate (CCA)-Treated Wood in Playground Equipment

The staff will brief the Commission on Petition HP 01-3 submitted by the Environmental Working Group (EWG) and the Healthy Building Network (HBN), requesting that the Commission issue a ban on use of chromated copper arsenate (CCA)-treated wood in playground equipment.

Oral presentations by commenters will begin at 2 p.m. (see **Federal Register** notice published on Friday, February 14, 2003, Vol. 68, page 7510) The meeting may continue to the next day, March 18, 2003.

For a recorded message containing the latest agenda information, call (301) 504-7948.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Todd A. Stevenson, Office of the Secretary, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20207 (301) 504-7923.

Dated: March 4, 2003.

Todd A. Stevenson,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Active Duty Service Determinations for Civilian or Contractual Groups Pursers of Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc. (WWII); Application Instructions for Armed Forces Discharge Certificate

On February 21, 2003, the Secretary of the Air Force, acting as Executive Agent of the Secretary of Defense, amended the 1992 Secretarial determination concerning the group known as: "U.S.

Civilian Flight Crew and Aviation Ground Support Employees of Transcontinental and Western Air (TWA), Inc., Who Served Overseas as a Result of TWA's Contract with the Air Transport Command During the Periods February 26, 1942 through August 14, 1945." The amendment determined that the service of "pursers," who were part of these flight crews, shall be considered "active duty" for purposes of all laws administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

To be eligible for VA benefits, "pursers," who were part of the flight crews recognized by the Secretary in 1992, must establish each of the following:

1. He or she was employed by Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc., as part of its flight crew personnel (which now includes pursers); and
2. He or she served outside the continental United States in direct support of the Air Transport Command-directed flight operations during the period December 14, 1941, through August 14, 1945.

Qualifying periods of time are computed from the date of departure from the continental United States to the date of return to the continental United States.

Application Procedures

Before an individual can receive any VA benefits, the person must first apply for an Armed Forces Discharge Certificate (Department of Defense Form 214) by filling out a Department of Defense (DD) Form 2168 and sending it to the U.S. Air Force Personnel Center at the following address:

AFPC/DPPRP, 550 C St. West, Suite 11, Randolph AFB, TX 78150-4713.

Important: Applicants must attach supporting documents to their DD Form 2168 application. Of primary importance will be any employment records from TWA and flight/log books. Other supporting documentation might include copies of passports with appropriate entries, military or civilian orders posting the applicant to an overseas assignment, reports signed by or mentioning the work of the applicant as part of the TWA-ATC contract flights overseas, Army Air Force (AAF) Identification Forms 133, any personal employment records such as commendations regarding performance, employee expense reports of charges to ATC contracts, medical certifications prior to departure from the U.S., Army Air Force (AAF) passes to leave the limits of an overseas base, miscellaneous AAF papers, etc.

Applicants having difficulty establishing all of the eligibility criteria

¹ The CBT indicated that the above proposed rules codify existing MACE practices.

mentioned above should recognize the nature and character of documents addressing each criterion need not be the same. For example, an applicant may establish employment with TWA through official employment records, but find that proving assignment to an ATC contract crew outside the continental United States more difficult. In such a case, an applicant may be able to prove assignment and service at that location through other evidence, such as, dated, postmarked (or other sign of authenticity) correspondence (official or personal) to or from the applicant at that assignment outside the United States.

Upon confirmation of an applicant's eligibility, the DD Form 214 will be passed from AFPC/DPPRP to the Awards and Decorations office to determine which ribbons the applicant is eligible to receive (campaign ribbons, theater ribbons, victory medal, etc.). Specific awards (*i.e.*, Silver Star, Purple Heart, etc.) need separate justification detailing the act, achievement, or service believed to warrant the appropriate medal/ribbon.

DD Forms 2168 are available from VA offices or from the U.S. Air Force offices in this notice. An electronic version is also available in Adobe Acrobat (the reader is free) on the Internet at "DefenseLINK, publications."

For further information contact Mr. James D. Johnston at the Secretary of the Air Force Personnel Council (SAFPC), 1535 Command Drive, EE Wing, 3d Fl., Andrews AFB, MD 20762-7002.

Benefit Information

A determination of "active duty" under Public Law 95-202 is "for the purposes of all laws administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs" (Sec. 106, 38 U.S.C.). Benefits are not retroactive and do not include such things as increased military or Federal Civil Service retirement pay, or a military burial detail, for example. Entitlement to state veteran's benefits varies and is governed by each state. Therefore, for specific benefits information, contact your nearest Veterans Affairs Office and your state veterans service office after you have received your Armed Forces discharge documents.

Pamela D. Fitzgerald,
Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Active Duty Service Determinations for Civilian or Contractual Groups

On February 21, 2003, the Secretary of the Air Force, acting as Executive Agent of the Secretary of Defense, determined that the service of the group known as the "Uniformed Aviation Industry Contract Technical Specialists Assigned to Extended Duty at Ladd Field, Alaska, to Test Army Air Force Airplanes as Part of the Cold Weather Testing Detachment from February 1, 1942, through February 22, 1944" shall not be considered "active duty" for purposes of all laws administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

For further information contact Mr. James D. Johnston at the Secretary of the Air Force Personnel Council (SAFPC); 1535 Command Drive, EE Wing, 3d Fl., Andrews AFB, MD 20762-7002.

Pamela D. Fitzgerald,
Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Availability of Non-Exclusive, Exclusive License or Partially Exclusive Licensing of U.S. Patent Concerning Rough Terrain Cargo Parachute Assembly

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6, announcement is made of the availability for licensing of U.S. Patent No. US 6,520,453 B1 entitled "Rough Terrain Cargo Parachute Assembly" issued February 18, 2003. This patent has been assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Army.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Rosenkrans at U.S. Army Soldier and Biological Chemical Command, Kansas Street, Natick, MA 01760, Phone: (508) 233-4928 or E-mail: Robert.Rosenkrans@natick.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Any licenses granted shall comply with 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR part 404.

Luz D. Ortiz,
Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Availability of the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the Missouri River Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Project Located on the Missouri River from Sioux City, IA to the Mouth Near St. Louis, MO in the States of Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, and Missouri

AGENCY: Department of the Army. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This announces the availability of the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS) for the Missouri River Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Project located on the Missouri River in the states of Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, and Missouri. The Mitigation Project was first authorized by the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1986, which included the development of 48,100 acres of aquatic and terrestrial habitat for fish and wildlife along the 735 miles of the Missouri River between Sioux City, IA and St. Louis, MO. The WRDA of 1999 modified the Mitigation Project by increasing the amount of habitat development by 118,650 acres to a total of 166,750 acres. The FSEIS assesses the potential environmental impacts of the modified Mitigation Project, which includes the development, restoration, or enhancement of fish and wildlife habitat on an additional 118,650 acres on individual sites purchased from willing sellers and through easements. The purpose of the Mitigation Project is to restore fish and wildlife habitat losses resulting from the construction and development of the Missouri River Bank Stabilization and Navigation Project (BSNP). Seven alternatives are considered in the FSEIS and three alternatives are analyzed in detail including a Preferred Action, No Development alternative, and No Action alternative.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Kelly Ryan, Civil Works Branch ATTN: CENWK-PM-CJ, U.S. Army Engineer District, Kansas City, 601 East 12th Street, Kansas City, MO, 64106-2896, Phone: 816-983-3324.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 1. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks, Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, and the Missouri Department of Conservation are serving