SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #10418]

New York Disaster #NY-00020 Declaration of Economic Injury

AGENCY: Small Business Administration. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of an Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) declaration for the State of New York, dated 03/07/2006.

Incident: Rock Slide. Incident Period: 12/20/2005. Effective Date: 03/07/2006. EIDL Loan Application Deadline Date: 12/07/2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: 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, Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that as a result of the Administrator's EIDL declaration on 03/07/2006, applications for economic injury disaster loans may be filed at the address listed above or other locally announced locations.

The following areas have been determined to be adversely affected by the disaster:

Primary Counties: Westchester. Contiguous Counties: New York: Bronx; Putnam; Rockland. Connecticut: Fairfield. New Jersey: Bergen.

The Interest Rate is: 4.000. The number assigned to this disaster for economic injury is 104180.

The States which received an EIDL Declaration # are New York; Connecticut; New Jersey

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 59002).

Hector V. Barreto,

Administrator.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Small Business Size Standards: Waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule

AGENCY: Small Business Administration. **ACTION:** Notice of intent to Waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Lenses, Ophthalmic, Manufacturing.

SUMMARY: The Small Business Administration (SBA) is considering

granting a request for a waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Lenses, Ophthalmic, Manufacturing. According to the request, no small business manufacturers supply these classes of products to the Federal government. If granted, the waiver would allow otherwise qualified regular dealers to supply the products of any domestic manufacturer on a Federal contract set aside for small businesses; service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses or SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program.

DATES: Comments and source information must be submitted March 29, 2006.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments and source information to Edith Butler, Program Analyst, U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Government Contracting, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 8800, Washington, DC 20416.

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 six digit coding system. The coding system is the Office of Management and Budget North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

The SBA is currently processing a request to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Lenses, Ophthalmic, Manufacturing, North American

Industry Classification System (NAICS) code 339115. The public is invited to comment or provide source information to SBA on the proposed waivers of the Nonmanufacturer Rule for this class of NAICS code within 15 days after date of publication in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: March 7, 2006.

Karen C. Hontz,

Associate Administrator for Government Contracting.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5340]

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) Request for Grant Proposals: Competition for Proposals (1) To Strengthen Secondary Education in Indonesia Through a Program for High School English Language Teachers and/or (2) To Strengthen Private and Community-based Secondary Education in Indonesia through a Program for School Administrators & Community Leaders

Announcement Type: New Grant. Funding Opportunity Number: ECA/PE/C/WHA-EAP-06-33.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: 00.000.

Key Dates:

Application Deadline: May 3, 2006. Executive Summary: The Office of Citizen Exchanges of the Bureau of **Educational and Cultural Affairs** announces an open competition for grants to support two distinct exchanges projects with Indonesia. U.S. public and non-profit organizations meeting the provisions described in Internal Revenue code section 26 U.S.C. 501(c)(3) may submit proposals that support the goals of the two exchange programs. The Program for High School English Language Teachers is intended to strengthen secondary school education in Indonesia, support tolerance in a diverse, democratic society, and allow Indonesians and Americans to share their views on international education and teaching high school students language and critical thinking skills necessary to their success in the workforce. The Program for School Administrators & Community Leaders will bring senior instructors and leaders ("kiai") of Islamic day and boarding schools and counterparts from other Indonesian private schools to U.S. for informational sessions on teacher/ administrator training techniques and classroom observation as well as