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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Research Service

Notice of Federal Invention Available for Licensing and Intent To Grant **Exclusive License**

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability and intent.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Federally owned invention disclosed in U.S. Patent No. 6245294 "Method and Apparatus for Surface Treatment of Materials", issued June 12, 2001, is available for licensing and that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant to Alkar-RapidPak, Inc. of Lodi, Wisconsin, an exclusive license to this invention.

DATES: Comments must be received within 90 calendar days of the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Room 4–1174, Beltsville, Maryland 20705–5131.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: June Blalock of the Office of Technology Transfer at the Beltsville address given above; telephone: 301-504-5989. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Government's patent rights to this invention are assigned to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture. It is in the public interest to so license this invention as Alkar-RapidPak, Inc. of Lodi, Wisconsin has submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within 90 days from the date of this published notice, the Agricultural Research Service receives

written evidence and argument which establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

Michael D. Ruff,

Assistant Administrator. [FR Doc. 02-32506 Filed 12-24-02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410-03-P

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Newspapers Used for Publication of Legal Notices by the Intermountain Region; Utah, Idaho, Nevada, and Wyoming

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice lists the newspapers that will be used by the ranger districts, forests and regional office of the Intermountain Region to publish legal notices required under 36 CFR 215 and 217. The intended effect of this action is to inform interested members of the public which newspapers the Forest Service will use to publish notices of proposed actions and notices of decisions. This will provide the public with constructive notice of Forest Service proposals and decisions, provide information on the procedures to comment or appeal, and establish the date that the Forest Service will use to determine if comments or appeals were timely.

DATES: Publication of legal notices in the listed newspapers will begin on or after January 1, 2003. The list of newspapers will remain in effect until June 1, 2003, when another notice will be published in the Federal Register. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Priscilla McLain, Regional Appeals Manager, Intermountain Region, 324 25th Street, Ogden, UT 84401, and Phone (801) 625-5146.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The administrative procedures at 36 CFR parts 215 and 217 require the Forest Service to publish notices in a newspaper of general circulation. In addition, the Forest Service will provide direct notice to those who have requested notice in writing and those known to be affected by a specific decision. The content of the notices is

specified in 26 CFR parts 215 and 217. In general, the notices will identify: the decision or project, by title or subject matter: the name and title of the official making the decision; how to obtain additional information; and where and how to file comments or appeals. The date the notice is published will be used to establish the official date for the beginning of the comment or appeal period.

The newspapers to be used are as follows:

Regional; Forester, Intermountain Region

- For decisions made by the Regional Forester affecting National Forests in Idaho: The Idaho Statesman, Boise Idaho
- For decisions made by the Regional Forester affecting National Forests in Nevada: The Reno Gazette-Journal, Reno, Nevada
- For decisions made by the Regional Forester affecting National Forests in Wyoming: Casper Star-Tribune, Casper, Wyoming
- For decisions made by the Regional Forester affecting National Forests in Utah: Salt Lake Tribune. Salt Lake City, Utah
- If the decision made by the Regional Forester affects all National Forests in the Intermountain Region, it will appear in: Salt Lake Tribune: Salt Lake City, Utah.

Ashley National Forest

- Ashley Forest Supervisors decisions: Vernal Express, Vernal, Utah
- Vernal District Ranger decisions: Vernal Express, Vernal, Utah
- Flaming Gorge District Ranger for decisions affecting Wyoming: Casper Star Tribune, Casper, Wyoming
- Flaming Gorge District Ranger for decisions affecting Utah: Vernal Express, Vernal, Utah

Roosevelt and Duchesne District Ranger decisions: Unitah Basin Standard, Roosevelt, Utah

Boise National Forest

- Boise Forest Supervisor decisions: The Idaho Statesman, Boise, Idaho
- Mountain Home District Ranger decisions: The Idaho Statesman,
- Boise, Idaho
- Idaho City District Ranger decisions: The Idaho Statesman, Boise, Idaho Cascade District Ranger decisions: The
- Long Valley Advocate, Cascade, Idaho

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