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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Christensen, Field Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Kemmerer Field Office, at (307) 828-4502.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with Section 7 of the Taylor Grazing Act, (43 U.S.C. 315f), and Executive Order No. 6910, the following described public land in Lincoln County, Wyoming, has been examined and found suitable for classification for lease and conveyance under the provisions of the R&PP Act, as amended, (43 U.S.C. 869 *et seq.*):

Sixth Principal Meridian, Wyoming

T. 34 N., R. 118 W.,
Sec. 6, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.

The land described contains 40.00 acres, more or less.

In accordance with the R&PP Act, the Town of Star Valley Ranch filed an application for the above-described 40.00 acres of public land to be developed for municipal facilities and recreational activities. The municipal facilities include town offices and a maintenance building, equipment storage shed building, and parking areas. The recreation facilities include walking/bicycle pathways, sheltered picnic tables, health and fitness stations, and flora and fauna viewing areas. Additional detailed information pertaining to this application, plan of development, and site plan is in case file WYW-171184, located in the BLM Kemmerer Field Office at the above address.

The land is not needed for any Federal purpose. The lease and conveyance is consistent with the Kemmerer Resource Management Plan dated April 29, 1986, and would be in the public interest. The patent, when issued, will be subject to the provisions of the R&PP Act and applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior, and will contain the following reservations to the United States:

1. A right-of-way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the authority of the United States, Act of August 30, 1890 (43 U.S.C. 945); and

2. All minerals, together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove such deposits from the same under applicable law and such regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe.

The patent will be subject to all valid existing rights documented on the official public land records at the time of patent issuance.

On August 18, 2008, the land described above will be segregated from all other forms of appropriation under

the public land laws, including the general mining laws, except for conveyance under the R&PP Act, leasing under the mineral leasing laws, and disposals under the mineral material disposal laws.

Classification Comments: Interested parties may submit comments involving the suitability of the land for municipal and recreation uses. Comments on the classification are restricted to whether the land is physically suited for the proposal, whether the use will maximize the future use or uses of the land, whether the use is consistent with local planning and zoning, or if the use is consistent with State and Federal programs.

Application Comments: Interested parties may submit comments regarding the specific use proposed in the application and plan of development, whether the BLM followed proper administrative procedures in reaching the decision to convey under the R&PP Act, or any other factor not directly related to the suitability of the land for R&PP use.

Confidentiality of Comments: Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Only written comments submitted by postal service or overnight mail to the Field Manager—BLM Kemmerer Field Office will be considered properly filed. Electronic mail, facsimile or telephone comments will not be considered properly filed.

Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Director. In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification of the land described in this notice will become effective October 17, 2008. The lands will not be available for lease or conveyance until after the classification becomes effective.

Authority: 43 CFR 2740.

Dated: August 4, 2008.

Nancy Baker,

Acting Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Intent To Prepare a Special Resource Study of the River Raisin Battlefield in Monroe, MI

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a Special Resource Study of the River Raisin Battlefield in Monroe, Michigan. This study will be accompanied by either an Environmental Impact Statement or an Environmental Assessment.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C)), the National Park Service (NPS) is announcing its intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a Special Resource Study (SRS) of the River Raisin Battlefield. Public Law 109-429, passed on December 20, 2006, directed the Secretary of the Interior to conduct an SRS of sites in Monroe County, Michigan, relating to the Battles of the River Raisin on January 18 and 22, 1813, and their aftermath.

To facilitate sound planning and environmental assessment, the NPS intends to gather information necessary for the preparation of an EIS and obtain suggestions and information from other Agencies and the public on the scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Comments and participation in this scoping process are invited. Participation in the planning process will be encouraged and facilitated by various means, including newsletters and open house meetings. The NPS will conduct public scoping meetings to explain the planning process and to solicit opinions about issues to address in the SRS/EIS. Notification of all such meetings will be announced in the local press and in the NPS newsletters. Based on the information received during scoping, and the development of preliminary alternatives and impact analysis, the NPS may decide that an environmental assessment would better suit the process. The NPS would announce that decision publicly.

ADDRESSES: Additionally, if you wish to comment on any issues associated with the SRS, you may submit your comments by any one of several methods. You may mail or hand-deliver comments to Ruth Heikkinen, Project Manager for the River Raisin Special Resource Study, National Park Service Midwest Regional Office, 601 Riverfront Drive, Omaha, Nebraska 68102-4226. You may provide comments

electronically by entering them into the NPS's Planning, Environment and Public Comment Web site (<http://parkplanning.nps.gov>). Information will be available for public review and comment from the Midwest Regional Office of the NPS at the above address.

Requests to be added to the project mailing list should also be sent to Ruth Heikkinen, Project Manager for the River Raisin Special Resource Study, at the above address or e-mailed to Ruth_Heikkinen@nps.gov.

Before including your address, telephone number, e-mail address, or other: personal identifying information in your comments, you should be aware that your entire comment (including your personal identifying information) may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comments to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials, or organizations or businesses available for public inspection in their entirety.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ruth Heikkinen, Project Manager for the River Raisin Special Resource Study, National Park Service Midwest Regional Offices, 601 Riverfront Drive, Omaha, Nebraska 68102-4226, at telephone 402-661-1846.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NPS is conducting this study in response to Public Law 109-249 which required a determination of the national significance of sites related to the battles of the River Raisin as well as the suitability and feasibility of including them in the National Park System.

The significance of the River Raisin Battlefield derives from events early in 1813 when, angry at the American surrender of Detroit to the British in August of 1812, militia from Kentucky marched to Frenchtown (today, Monroe) on the River Raisin south of Detroit. The town was occupied by predominantly French-Canadians who, threatened by the British, had asked for military protection. On January 18, 1813, 667 Kentuckians successfully defended Frenchtown against a much smaller force of Canadian militia and Indians. Four days later, a British and Indian force launched a counterattack on the Kentuckians, together with a force of 250 American regulars who had joined them, and inflicted tremendous harm. At the end of the battle, American casualties totaled 220 killed, 80 wounded, and more than 500 taken

prisoner. However, it was the attack on the wounded by the Indians the following day that most shocked the American conscience. While the wounded waited in Frenchtown for the British to bring sleds to carry them away, they were attacked by Indians who, came into the town to seek revenge. The Indians brutally murdered most of the wounded and burned down the town. The phrase "Remember the River Raisin" became a rallying cry for the later Battle of the Thames, the last battle of the War of 1812, which cemented the American victory.

A portion of the River Raisin Battlefield was placed on the National Register in 1982. In the last few years, the city of Monroe has worked to secure grants to remove former industrial buildings on the site with the goal of reclaiming the historic integrity of the Battlefield.

Dated: July 8, 2008.

Ernest Quintana,

Regional Director, Midwest Region.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 332-499]

Property and Casualty Insurance Services: Competitive Conditions In Foreign Markets

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Institution of investigation and scheduling of hearing.

SUMMARY: Following receipt of a request on June 18, 2008 from the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR), the U.S. International Trade Commission (Commission) instituted investigation No. 332-499, *Property and Casualty Insurance Services: Competitive Conditions in Foreign Markets*, under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332(g)).

Important Dates

September 2, 2008—Deadline for filing requests to appear at the public hearing.

September 5, 2008—Deadline for filing pre-hearing briefs and statements.

September 23, 2008—Public hearing.

September 30, 2008—Deadline for filing post-hearing briefs and submissions.

October 7, 2008—Deadline for filing all other written statements.

March 18, 2009—Transmittal of final report to the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative.

ADDRESSES: All Commission offices, including the Commission's hearing rooms, are located in the United States International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC. All written submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <http://www.usitc.gov/secretary/edis.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Project Leader Eric Forden (202-205-3235 or eric.forden@usitc.gov), Deputy Project Leader Jeremy Wise (202-205-3190 or jeremy.wise@usitc.gov), or Chief, Services Division, Richard Brown (202-205-3438 or richard.brown@usitc.gov) for information specific to this investigation. For information on the legal aspects of this investigation, contact William Gearhart of the Commission's Office of the General Counsel (202-205-3091 or william.gearhart@usitc.gov). The media should contact Margaret O'Laughlin, Office of External Relations (202-205-1819 or margaret.olaughlin@usitc.gov). Hearing-impaired individuals may obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal at 202-205-1810. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet site (<http://www.usitc.gov>). Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000.

Background: As requested by the USTR, the Commission will conduct an investigation and prepare a report on property and casualty (P&C) insurance markets that (1) provides an overview of global and selected foreign markets for P&C insurance services, including factors affecting supply and demand in these markets; (2) examines the nature and extent of cross-border trade and affiliate sales in the global market for P&C insurance services; and (3) identifies and examines policies and practices that affect U.S. firms' access to, and competitiveness in, foreign markets for such services. In terms of geographic coverage, the USTR has requested that the Commission include examples of both developed- and developing-country markets. The USTR requested that the Commission deliver its report by March 18, 2009.

Public Hearing: A public hearing in connection with this investigation will