COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Membership of the USCCR Performance Review Board

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice of Membership of the USCCR Performance Review Board.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the appointment of the Performance Review Board (PRB) of the United States Commission on Civil Rights. Publication of PRB membership is required pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4).

The PRB provides fair and impartial review of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights' Senior Executive Service performance appraisals and makes recommendations regarding performance ratings and performance awards to the Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights for the FY 2006 rating year.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tyro Beatty, Director of Human Resources, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 624 Ninth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20425. Telephone: (202) 376–8364.

USCCR Performance Review Board Members

Cynthia G. Pierre, Director, Field Management Programs, EEOC. Lawrence W. Roffee, Executive Director, U.S. Access Board. David Enzel, Deputy Director, HUD Office of Appeals Policy Management.

Dated: February 15, 2007.

David P. Blackwood,

General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Stainless Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings from Taiwan: Notice of Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results in Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 22, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Helen Kramer or Judy Lao, AD/CVD
Operations, Office 7, Import
Administration, International Trade
Administration, U.S. Department of
Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution,
NW, Washington DC 20230; telephone:

(202) 482–0405 and (202) 482–7924, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On June 2, 2006, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") published a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel butt-weld pipe fittings from Taiwan for the period of review ("POR") of June 1, 2005, through May 31, 2006. See Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation, Opportunity to Request Administrative Review; 71 FR 32032 (June 2, 2006). On June 22, 2006, Flowline Division of Markovitz Enterprises, Inc. ("Flowline Division"), Gerlin, Inc., Shaw Alloy Piping Products, Inc., and Taylor Forge Stainless, Inc. (collectively, "petitioners") requested an antidumping duty administrative review for Ta Chen Stainless Pipe Co., Ltd. ("Ta Chen"), Liang Feng Stainless Steel Fitting Co., Ltd., Tru-Flow Industrial Co., Ltd., Censor International Corporation, and PFP Taiwan Co., Ltd. On June 29, 2006, Ta Chen requested an administrative review of its sales to the United States during the POR. On July 27, 2006, the Department published the notice initiating this administrative review. See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Request for Revocation In Part, 71 FR 42626 (July 27, 2006). The preliminary results are currently due not later than March 2, 2007.

Extension of Time Limits for Preliminary Results of Review

Pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), and 19 CFR § 351.213(h)(2), the Department may extend the deadline for completion of the preliminary results of a review by 120 days if it determines that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary results within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of the date of publication of the order for which the administrative review was requested. Due to the complexity of the issues involved and the time required to analyze Ta Chen's supplemental questionnaire responses, as well as the demands of other proceedings handled by the office administering this review, the Department has determined that it is not practicable to complete this review within the original time period. Accordingly, the Department is extending the time limit for the preliminary results by 120 days, to not

later than July 2, 2007, in accordance with Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act. The deadline for the final results of this review will continue to be 120 days after publication of the preliminary results.

This notice is published in accordance with sections 751(a)(3)(A) and 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: February 13, 2007.

Stephen J. Claeys,

Deputy Assistant Secretaryfor Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Implementation of Grants to Manufacturers of Certain Worsted Wool Fabrics Established Under Title IV of the Miscellaneous Trade and Technical Corrections Act of 2004

AGENCY: Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration.

ACTION: Notice Announcing the Availability of Grant Funds.

SUMMARY: This Notice announces the availability of grant funds in calendar year 2007 for U.S. manufacturers of certain worsted wool fabrics. The purpose of this notice is to provide the general public with a single source of program and application information related to the worsted wool grant offerings, and it contains the information about the program required to be published in the Federal Register.

DATES: Applications by eligible U.S. producers of certain worsted wool fabrics must be received or postmarked by 5 p.m. Eastern Daylight Standard Time on March 26, 2007. Applications received after the closing date and time will not be considered.

ADDRESSES: Applications must be submitted to the Industry Assessment Division, Office of Textiles and Apparel, Room 3001, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, (202) 482-4058.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Bennett, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4058.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Electronic Access: The full funding opportunity announcement for the worsted wool fabrics program is available through FedGrants at http://www.grants.gov. The Catalog of Federal

Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number is 11.113, Special Projects.

Statutory Authority: Section 4002(c)(6) of the Miscellaneous Trade and Technical Corrections Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-429, 118 Stat. 2603) (the "Act"). The Act was amended pursuant to Section 1633 of the Pension Protection Act of 2006 (Public Law 109-280), which extended the availability of grant funds through 2009 and modified the eligibility criteria.

Program Description: Section 4002(c)(6)(A) of the Act authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to provide grants to persons (including firms, corporations, or other legal entities) who were, during calendar years 1999, 2000, and 2001, manufacturers of two categories of worsted wool fabrics. The first category are manufacturers of worsted wool fabrics, containing 85 percent or more by weight of wool, with average fiber diameters greater than 18.5 micron (Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS) heading 9902.51.11); the total amount of available funds is \$2,666,000, to be allocated among such manufacturers on the basis of the percentage of each manufacturers' production of worsted wool fabric included in HTS 9902.51.11. The second category are manufacturers of worsted wool fabrics, containing 85 percent or more by weight of wool, with average fiber diameters of 18.5 micron or less (HTS heading 9902.51.15, previously HTS heading 9902.51.12); the total amount of available funds is \$2,666,000, to be allocated among such manufacturers on the basis of the percentage of each manufacturers' production of worsted wool fabric included in HTS 9902.51.15.

Funding Availability: The Secretary of Commerce is authorized under section 4002(c)(6)(A) of the Act to provide grants to manufacturers of certain worsted wool fabrics. Funding for the worsted wool fabrics grant program will be provided by the Department of the Treasury from amounts in the Wool Apparel Manufacturers Trust Fund (the "Trust Fund"). The total amount of grants to manufacturers of worsted wool fabrics described in HTS 9902.51.11 shall be \$2,666,000 in calendar year 2007. The total amount of grants to manufacturers of worsted wool fabrics described in HTS 9902.51.15 shall also be \$2,666,000 in calendar year 2007.

Eligibility Criteria: Eligible applicants for the worsted wool fabric program include persons (including firms, corporations, or other legal entities) who were, during calendar years 1999, 2000 and 2001, manufacturers of worsted wool fabric in the United States of the kind described in HTS 9902.51.11 or

9902.51.15. Section 1633(b)(1)(C) of the Pension Protection Act of 2006 provides that only manufacturers who weave worsted wool fabric in the United States as of the date of application shall be eligible for grant funds. Any manufacturer who becomes a successor-of-interest to a manufacturer of the worsted wool fabrics described in HTS 9902.51.11 or HTS 9902.51.15 during 1999, 2000 or 2001 because of a reorganization or otherwise, shall be eligible to apply for such grants.

Applications to Receive Allocations: Applicants must provide: (1) Company name, address, contact and phone number; (2) Federal tax identification number; (3) the name and address of each plant or location in the United States where worsted wool fabrics of the kind described in HTS 9902.51.11 or HTS 9902.51.15 was woven by the applicant in 1999, 2000 and 2001; (4) the name and address of each plant or location in the United States where the applicant is weaving worsted wool fabrics of the kind described in HTS 9902.51.11 and or HTS 9902.51.15 as of the date of application; (5) the quantity, in linear yards, of worsted wool fabric production described in HTS 9902.51.11 or 9902.51.15, as appropriate, woven in the United States in each of calendar years 1999, 2000 and 2001; and (6) the value of worsted wool fabric production described in HTS 9902.51.11 or 9902.51.15, as appropriate, woven in the United States in each of calendar years 1999, 2000 and 2001. This data must indicate actual production (not estimates) of worsted wool fabric of the kind described in HTS 9902.51.11 or 9902.51.15.

At the conclusion of the application, the applicant must attest that "all information contained in the application is complete and correct and no false claims, statements, or representations have been made." Applicants should be aware that, generally, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3729, persons providing a false or fraudulent claims, and, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1001, persons making materially false statements or representations, are subject to civil or criminal penalties, respectively.

Information that is marked "business confidential" will be protected from disclosure to the full extent permitted by law.

Other Application Requirements: Complete applications must include the following forms and documents: CD-346, Applicant for Funding Assistance; CD-511, Certification Regarding Lobbying; SF– 424, Application for Federal Assistance; and SF-424B, Assurances - Non-Construction Programs. The CD forms are available via Web site: http://www.osec.doc.gov/forms/direct.htm.
The SF forms are available via web site: http://www.grants.gov/sitemap/sitemap.jsp (See "Applicant Information, Approved Standard Form SF-424 Forms").

This document contains collection-ofinformation requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). The use of Standard Forms 269, 424, 424A, 424B, SF-LLL, and CD-346 has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the respective control numbers 0348-0039, 0348-0043, 0348-0044, 0348-0040, 0348-0046, and 0605-0001. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the PRA unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Allocation Procedures: Section 4002(c)(6)(A) of the Act requires that each grant be allocated among eligible applicants on the basis of the percentage of each manufacturers' production of the fabric described in HTS 9902.51.11 or HTS 9902.51.15 for calendar years 1999, 2000, and 2001, compared to the production of such fabric by all manufacturers who qualify for such grants. Following the closing date of the receipt of applications, the Department shall calculate the appropriate allocation of the allotted funds among eligible applicants in accordance with the statutory procedures. Award decisions shall be final and not subject to appeal or protest.

Intergovernmental
Review: Applications under this
program are not subject to Executive
Order 12372, "Intergovernmental
Review of Federal Programs".

Administrative and National Policy Requirements: Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notifications for Grants and Cooperative Agreements, which are contained in the **Federal Register** Notice of December 30, 2004 (69 FR 78389), are applicable to this solicitation.

It has been determined that this notice is not significant for purposes of E.O. 12866.

Administrative Procedure/Regulatory Flexibility: Prior notice and an opportunity for public comment are not required by the Administrative Procedure Act for rules concerning public property, loans, grants, benefits, and contracts (5 USC 553(a)(2)). Because notice and opportunity for comment are not required pursuant to 5 USC 553 or any other law, the analytical

requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 USC 601 et seq.) are inapplicable. Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis is not required and has not been prepared.

Dated: February 15, 2007.

R. Matthew Priest,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Textiles and Apparel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews: Notice of Termination of Panel Review

AGENCY: NAFTA Secretariat, United States Section, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Consent Motion To Terminate the Panel Review of the final antidumping duty determination and order made by the International Trade Commission, respecting Purified Carboxymethylcellulose ("CMC") from Mexico, Secretariat File No. USA–MEX–2005–1904–05.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Notice of Consent Motion To Terminate the Panel Review by the complainants, the panel review is terminated as of February 13, 2007. A panel has not been appointed to this panel review. Pursuant to Rule 71(2) of the Rules of Procedure for Article 1904 Binational Panel Review, this panel review is terminated.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Caratina L. Alston, United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat, Suite 2061, 14th and Constitution Avenue, Washington, DC 20230, (202) 482–5438.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Chapter 19 of the North American Free-Trade Agreement ("Agreement") establishes a mechanism to replace domestic judicial review of final determinations in antidumping and countervailing duty cases involving imports from a NAFTA country with review by independent binational panels. When a Request for Panel Review is filed, a panel is established to act in place of national courts to review expeditiously the final determination to determine whether it conforms with the antidumping or countervailing duty law of the country that made the determination.

Under Article 1904 of the Agreement, which came into force on January 1, 1994, the Government of the United States, the Government of Canada and the Government of Mexico established Rules of Procedure for Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews ("Rules"). These Rules were published in the **Federal Register** on February 23, 1994 (59 FR 8686). The panel review in this matter was requested and terminated pursuant to these Rules.

Dated: February 15, 2007.

Caratina L. Alston,

United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat. [FR Doc. E7–2903 Filed 2–21–07; 8:45 am]
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Fisheries Off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Application for an Exempted Fishing Permit

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; receipt of an exempted fishing permit application (EFP); intent to issue the EFP; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces the receipt of an exempted fishing permit (EFP) application, and the intent to issue EFPs for vessels participating in an observation program to monitor the incidental take of salmon and groundfish in the shore-based component of the Pacific whiting fishery. The EFPs are necessary to allow trawl vessels fishing for Pacific whiting to delay sorting their catch, and thus to retain prohibited species and groundfish in excess of cumulative trip limits until the point of offloading. These activities are otherwise prohibited by Federal regulations. The EFPs will be effective no earlier than April 1, 2007, and would expire no later than December 31, 2007, but could be terminated earlier under the terms and conditions of the EFPs and other applicable laws.

DATES: Comments must be received by March 9, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Send comments or request for copies of the EFP application to Gretchen Arentzen, Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way N.E., Bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115 0070 or email EFPwhiting2007.nwr@noaa.gov. Comments sent via email, including all attachments, must not exceed a 10 megabyte file size.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gretchen Arentzen or Becky Renko at (206)526 6140.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This action is authorized by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act provisions at 50 CFR 600.745, which state that EFPs may be used to authorize fishing activities that would otherwise be prohibited. At the November 2006 Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) meeting in Del Mar, California, NMFS received an application for these EFPs from the States of Washington, Oregon, and California. An opportunity for public testimony was provided during the Council meeting. The Council recommended that NMFS issue the EFPs, as requested by the States, and forwarded the EFP applications to NMFS.

Each year since 1992, EFPs have been issued to vessels in the Pacific whiting shoreside fishery to allow unsorted catch to be landed. Without an EFP, groundfish regulations at 50 CFR 660.306(a) require vessels to sort their catch at sea. The vessels fishing under the EFPs are required to deliver catch to designated processors. EFPs have been used to: track the incidental take of Chinook salmon as required in the Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Biological Opinion for Chinook salmon catch in the Pacific whiting fishery; and to track the catch of whiting and other groundfish species such that the fishing industry is not unnecessarily constrained and that the OYs, harvest guidelines, sector allocation and overfished species bycatch limits are not exceeded.

Over the past five years, the number of vessels issued these EFPs has been between 31 and 38 vessels. Issuance of the 2007 EFPs, to approximately 40 vessels, will allow samplers located at the shoreside processing facilities to collect information on the incidental catch of salmon and groundfish in unsorted whiting deliveries. Unlike the at-sea sectors of the Pacific whiting fishery, where catch is sorted and processed shortly after it has been taken, vessels in the shoreside fishery must hold primary season Pacific whiting on the vessel for several hours or days until it can be offloaded at a shoreside processor. Pacific whiting deteriorates rapidly, so it must be handled quickly and immediately chilled to maintain product quality. This is particularly true if the Pacific whiting is to be used to make surimi (a fish paste product). The quality or grade of surimi is highly dependent on the freshness of the Pacific whiting, which demands careful