

other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Application—Alternative Inspection Services and FAST Commercial Driver Application.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection:* Forms I-823 and 823F. Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Individuals or Households. The information collected on this form will be used by the DHS to determine eligibility for automated inspections programs and to secure those data elements necessary to confirm enrollment at the time of application for admission to the United States.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 250,000 Form I-823 responses at 70 minutes (1.166 hours) per response; 25,000 CBP Form 823F responses at 30 minutes (.50 hours) per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 304,000 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please contact Richard A. Sloan 202-514-3291, Director, Regulations and Forms Services Division, Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security, Room 4304, 425 I Street, NW., Washington, DC 20536. Additionally, comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time may also be directed to Mr. Richard A. Sloan.

If additional information is required contact: Ms. Theresa O'Malley, Chief Information Officer, Department of Homeland Security, Regional Office Building 3, 7th and D Streets, SW., Suite 4636-26, Washington, DC 20202.

Dated: September 26, 2003.

Richard A. Sloan,

Department Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.
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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4820-N-37]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request; Comprehensive Needs Assessment

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* December 1, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., L'Enfant Building, Room 8003, Washington, DC 20410 or Wayne_Eddins@hud.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly J. Miller, Director, Office of Multifamily Asset Management, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-3730 (this is not a toll free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is submitting the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the

accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Comprehensive Needs Assessment.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2502-0505.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: This information is necessary for HUD to review and assess the current and future resources and needs of multifamily housing projects. Owners and non-profit entities submit this information.

Agency form numbers, if applicable: HUD-96001, HUD-96002, HUD-96003.

Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: The estimated total number of burden hours needed to prepare the information collection is 1,105,000; the number of respondents is 26,000 generating approximately 78,000 annual responses; the frequency of response is annually and every 5 years; and the estimated number of time needed to prepare the response varies from 1.25 hours to 40 hours.

Status of the proposed information collection: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C., chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: September 24, 2003.

Sean G. Cassidy,

General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing Deputy Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants: Notice of Issuance of Permits for Incidental Take of Endangered (or Threatened) Species for Fiscal Year 2003 in the Northeast Region

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of incidental take permit for endangered species.

SUMMARY: On November 29, 2002, a notice was published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 71192), that an application had been filed with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) by Snowshoe Mountain Resort, for a permit to incidentally take, pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1539), as amended, the West Virginia Northern Flying Squirrel (*Glaucomys sabrinus fuscus*) on the proposed 51-acre Camp Wilderness Development pursuant to the terms of the Habitat Conservation Plan for the West Virginia Northern Flying Squirrel at the Proposed Camp Wilderness Development, Snowshoe Mountain, Pocahontas County, West Virginia.

Notice is hereby given that on February 24, 2003, after a 60-day public comment period as authorized by the provisions of the Act, the Service issued a permit (PRT-065121-0) to the above-named party subject to certain conditions set forth therein. The permit was granted only after the Service determined that it was applied for in good faith, that granting the permit will not be to the disadvantage of the threatened species, and that it will be consistent with the purpose and policy set forth in the Act, as amended.

Additional information on this permit action may be requested by contacting the West Virginia Field Office, 694 Beverly Pike, Elkins, West Virginia 26241, telephone number 304-636-6586, during normal business hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

No other Incidental Take Permits were issued in the Northeast Region in Fiscal Year 2003.

Dated: September 17, 2003.

Richard O. Bennett,

Acting Regional Director, Region 5.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigations Nos. 731-TA-1014 and 1017 (Final)]

Polyvinyl Alcohol From China and Korea

Determinations

On the basis of the record¹ developed in the subject investigations, the United

States International Trade Commission (Commission) determines, pursuant to section 735(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1673d(b)) (the Act), that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports from China and Korea of polyvinyl alcohol ("PVA"),² provided for in subheading 3905.30.00 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that have been found by the Department of Commerce (Commerce) to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV).³

² For purposes of these investigations, PVA is defined as all polyvinyl alcohol hydrolyzed in excess of 80 percent, whether or not mixed or diluted with commercial levels of defoamer or boric acid, except as excluded from the definition. The following forms of polyvinyl alcohol are excluded from the definition of PVA:

- (1) PVA in fiber form;
- (2) PVA with hydrolysis less than 83 mole percent and certified not for use in the production of textiles;
- (3) PVA with hydrolysis greater than 85 percent and viscosity greater than or equal to 90 cps;
- (4) PVA with a hydrolysis greater than 85 percent, viscosity greater than or equal to 80 cps but less than 90 cps, certified for use in an ink jet application;
- (5) PVA for use in the manufacture of an excipient or as an excipient in the manufacture of film coating systems which are components of a drug or dietary supplement, and accompanied by an end-use certification;
- (6) PVA covalently bonded with cationic monomer uniformly present on all polymer chains in a concentration equal to or greater than one mole percent;
- (7) PVA covalently bonded with carboxylic acid uniformly present on all polymer chains in a concentration equal to or greater than two mole percent, certified for use in a paper application;
- (8) PVA covalently bonded with thiol uniformly present on all polymer chains, certified for use in emulsion polymerization of non-vinyl acetic material;
- (9) PVA covalently bonded with paraffin uniformly present on all polymer chains in a concentration equal to or greater than one mole percent;
- (10) PVA covalently bonded with silan uniformly present on all polymer chains certified for use in paper coating applications;
- (11) PVA covalently bonded with sulfonic acid uniformly present on all polymer chains in a concentration level equal to or greater than one mole percent;
- (12) PVA covalently bonded with acetoacetyl late uniformly present on all polymer chains in a concentration level equal to or greater than one mole percent;
- (13) PVA covalently bonded with polyethylene oxide uniformly present on all polymer chains in a concentration level equal to or greater than one mole percent;
- (14) PVA covalently bonded with quaternary amine uniformly present on all polymer chains in a concentration level equal to or greater than one mole percent; and
- (15) PVA covalently bonded with diacetoneacrylamide uniformly present on all polymer chains in a concentration level greater than three mole percent certified for use in a paper application.

³ Commissioner Charlotte R. Lane did not participate in these investigations.

Background

The Commission instituted these investigations effective September 5, 2002, following receipt of a petition filed with the Commission and Commerce by Celanese, Ltd. of Dallas, TX and E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. of Wilmington, DE. The final phases of the investigations were scheduled by the Commission following notification of preliminary determinations by Commerce that imports of polyvinyl alcohol from China and Korea were being sold at LTFV within the meaning of section 733(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1673b(b)). Notices of the scheduling of the final phases of the Commission's investigations and of a public hearing to be held in connection therewith were given by posting copies of the notices in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notices in the **Federal Register** of April 14, 2003 (68 FR 17964), as amended by the **Federal Register** of August 19, 2003 (68 FR 49792). The hearing was held in Washington, DC, on May 8, 2003, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.

The Commission transmitted its determinations in these investigations to the Secretary of Commerce on September 24, 2003. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 3634 (September 2003), entitled *Polyvinyl Alcohol from China and Korea: Investigations Nos. 1014 and 1017 (Final)*.

By order of the Commission.

Issued: September 29, 2003.

Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. 50.7 and section 122 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9622, notice is hereby given that on September 18, 2003, a proposed Consent Decree in *United States v. Harding Township, New Jersey*, Civil Action No. 03-4445 (FSH), was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey.

In this action the United States, on behalf of the United States Department

¹ The record is defined in sec. 207.2(f) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 207.2(f)).