

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**International Trade Administration****Notice of Solicitation of Applications for Allocation of a Tariff Rate Quota on the Import of Certain Worsted Wool Fabrics to Persons Who Weave Such Fabrics in the United States**

AGENCY: Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration.

ACTION: The Department of Commerce (Department) is soliciting applications for an allocation of the 2006 tariff rate quotas on certain worsted wool fabric to persons who weave such fabrics in the United States.

SUMMARY: The Department hereby solicits applications from persons (including firms, corporations, or other legal entities) who weave worsted wool fabrics in the United States for an allocation of the 2006 tariff rate quota on certain worsted wool fabric. Interested persons must submit an application on the form provided to the address listed below by October 3, 2005. The Department will cause to be published in the **Federal Register** its determination to allocate the 2006 tariff rate quotas and will notify applicants of their respective allocation as soon as possible after that date. Promptly thereafter, the Department will issue licenses to eligible applicants.

DATES: To be considered, applications must be received or postmarked by 5 p.m. on October 3, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Applications must be submitted to the Industry Assessment Division, Office of Textiles, Apparel and Consumer Goods Industries, Room 3001, United States Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230 (telephone: (202) 482-4058). Application forms may be obtained from that office (via facsimile or mail) or from the following Internet address: <http://web.ita.doc.gov/tacgi/wooltrq.nsf/TRQApp/fabric>.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

Title V of the Trade and Development Act of 2000 (the Act) created two tariff rate quotas (TRQs), providing for temporary reductions in the import duties on limited quantities of two categories of worsted wool fabrics suitable for use in making suits, suit-type jackets, or trousers: (1) for worsted wool fabric with average fiber diameters greater than 18.5 microns (Harmonized

Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS) heading 9902.51.11); and (2) for worsted wool fabric with average fiber diameters of 18.5 microns or less (HTS heading 9902.51.12). On August 6, 2002, President Bush signed into law the Trade Act of 2002, which includes several amendments to Title V of the Act. On December 3, 2004, the Act was further amended pursuant to the Miscellaneous Trade Act of 2004, Public Law 108-429. The 2004 amendment includes authority for the Department to allocate a TRQ for new HTS category, HTS 9902.51.16. This HTS category refers to worsted wool fabric with average fiber diameter of 18.5 microns or less. The amendment further provides that HTS 9902.51.16 is for the benefit of persons (including firms, corporations, or other legal entities) who weave such worsted wool fabric in the United States that is suitable for making men's and boys' suits. The TRQ for HTS 9902.51.16 will provide for temporary reductions in the import duties on 2,000,000 square meters annually for 2005 and 2006.

The amendment requires that the TRQ be allocated to persons who weave worsted wool fabric with average fiber diameter of 18.5 microns or less, which is suitable for use in making men's and boys' suits, in the United States. On May 16, 2005, the Department published regulations establishing procedures for allocating the TRQ. 70 FR 25774, 15 CFR 335. In order to be eligible for an allocation, an applicant must submit an application on the form provided at <http://web.ita.doc.gov/tacgi/wooltrq.nsf/TRQApp/fabric> to the address listed above by 5 p.m. on October 3, 2005 in compliance with the requirements of 15 CFR 335. Any business confidential information that is marked business confidential will be kept confidential and protected from disclosure to the full extent permitted by law.

Dated: August 29, 2005.

Philip J. Martello,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Textiles and Apparel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Institute of Standards and Technology****International Code Council: The Update Process for the International Codes**

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Final Action Hearings on U.S. Model Codes, 2006 editions.

SUMMARY: The International Code Council (ICC), under whose auspices the International Codes ("I-Codes") are developed, maintains a process for updating these model codes based on receipt of proposals from interested individuals and organizations. The ICC's 14 separately published codes are each comprehensively updated and re-published every three years with a supplement released between each edition. The most current versions of the I-Codes are the 2003 Editions and 2004 Supplements. The 2006 Editions will be released in March, 2006.

The purpose of this notice is to invite public participation in the Final Action Hearings. At this session, public comments are reviewed and discussed and final voting is conducted to determine which proposals are adopted into the 2006 I-Codes.

The publication of this notice by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) on behalf of ICC is being undertaken as a public service; NIST does not necessarily endorse, approve, or recommend any of the codes or standards referenced in the notice.

Session Dates: The Final Action Hearings of the 2004/2005 Code Development Cycle will occur between September 28 and October 2, 2005, at the COBO Center in Detroit, Michigan.

Proposed changes approved during this cycle, in addition to changes published in the 2004 Supplement, will constitute the 2006 editions of the International Codes.

The agenda for the hearing as well as updates to the schedule are also posted on the ICC Web site at: <http://www.iccsafe.org>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mike Pfeiffer, PE, Vice President, Codes and Standards Development at ICC's Chicago District Office, 4051 West Flossmoor Road, Country Club Hills, Illinois, 60478; Telephone 888-422-7233, Extension 4338; e-mail mpfeiffer@iccsafe.org.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

The ICC produces a family of Codes and Standards that are comprehensive, coordinated and are widely used across the country in the regulation of the built environment. Local, state and federal agencies use these codes and standards as the basis for developing regulations concerning new and existing construction.

The ICC code development process is initiated when proposals from

interested persons-supported by written data, views, or arguments-are solicited, received and then published in the Proposed Changes document. This document is distributed a minimum of 30 days in advance of the Code Development Hearings and serves as the agenda for that session.

At the Code Development Hearing the ICC Code Development Committee for each code or subject area of the code considers testimony and takes action on each proposal (Approval, Disapproval, or Approval as Modified). Following the Code Development Hearing, results are published in a report entitled the Report of the Public Hearing, which identifies the disposition of each proposal and the reason for the committee's action. Any person wishing to comment on the committee's action may do so in the public comment period following the first hearing. Comments received are published and distributed in a document called the Final Action Agenda which serves as the agenda for the second hearing.

Proposals which are approved by a vote of the Governmental Members of ICC at the second hearing (Final Action Hearing) are incorporated in either the Supplement or Edition, as applicable, with the next 18-month cycle starting with the submittal deadline for proposals.

Proponents of proposals automatically receive a copy of all documents (Proposed Changes, Report of the Public Hearing and Final Action Agenda). Interested parties may also request a copy, free of charge, by downloading the "return coupon" from the ICC Web site at <http://www.iccsafe.org> and sending it in as directed.

The International Codes consist of the following:

- International Building Code
- ICC Electrical Code
- International Energy Conservation Code
- International Existing Building Code
- International Fire Code
- International Fuel Gas Code
- International Mechanical Code
- ICC Performance Code for Buildings and Facilities
- International Plumbing Code
- International Private Sewage Disposal Code
- International Property Maintenance Code
- International Residential Code
- International Urban-Wildland Interface Code; and
- International Zoning Code

Dated: August 25, 2005.

William Jeffrey,

Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

National Construction Safety Team Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, United States Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Construction Safety Team (NCST) Advisory Committee (Committee), National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), will meet Monday, September 12, 2005, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Tuesday, September 13, 2005, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. The primary purpose of this meeting is to review the changes made to the World Trade Center (WTC) Investigation Final Reports in response to comments received from the public. The NCST Advisory Committee will also discuss its annual report to the Congress. The agenda may change to accommodate Committee business. The final agenda will be posted on the NIST Web site at www.nist.gov/ncst.

DATES: The meeting will convene on September 12, 2005, at 8:30 a.m. and will adjourn at 5 p.m. on September 12, 2005. The meeting will resume on September 13, 2005, at 8:30 a.m. and end at 12 p.m. The meeting will be open to the public.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Administration Building, Lecture Room A at NIST, Gaithersburg, Maryland. Please note admittance instructions under the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen Cauffman, National Construction Safety Team Advisory Committee, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, MS 8611, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-8611. Mr. Cauffman's e-mail address is stephen.cauffman@nist.gov and his phone number is (301) 975-6051.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee was established pursuant to Section 11 of the National Construction Safety Team Act (15 U.S.C. 7310 *et seq.*). The Committee is composed of nine members appointed by the Director of NIST who were selected for their technical expertise and experience, established records of distinguished professional service, and their knowledge of issues affecting teams established under the NCST Act. The Committee will advise the Director of NIST on carrying out investigations of

building failures conducted under the authorities of the NCST Act that became law in October 2002 and will review the procedures developed to implement the NCST Act and reports issued under section 8 of the NCST Act. Background information on the NCST Act and information on the NCST Advisory Committee is available at <http://www.nist.gov/ncst>.

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that the National Construction Safety Team (NCST) Advisory Committee (Committee), National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), will meet Monday, September 12, 2005, at 8:30 a.m. and will adjourn at 5 p.m. on September 12, 2005. The meeting will resume on Tuesday, September 13, 2005, at 8:30 a.m. and end at 12 p.m. The meeting will be held at NIST headquarters in Gaithersburg, Maryland.

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Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to the Committee's affairs, or the WTC Investigation are invited to request a place on the agenda. On September 12, 2005, approximately one-half hour will be reserved for public comments, and speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received, but is likely to be 5 minutes each. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, and those who were unable to attend in person are invited to submit written statements to the National Construction Safety Team Advisory Committee, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, MS 8611, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-8611, via fax at (301) 975-6122, or electronically by e-mail to ncstac@nist.gov.

All visitors to the NIST site are required to pre-register to be admitted. Anyone wishing to attend this meeting must register by close of business Thursday, September 8, 2005, in order to attend. Please submit your name, time of arrival, e-mail address and