

alternative site locations. Comments regarding the proposed project may be submitted (orally or in writing) at the public scoping meetings or in writing within 30 days after the December 7, 2005, scoping meeting to RUS at the address provided in this notice.

Proposal development documents—Alternative Evaluation Study, Macro-Corridor Analysis and Site Selection Study—are available for public review at RUS or Basin Electric, at the addresses provided in this notice. These studies are also available at the Campbell County Public Library located at 2101 South 4J Road in Gillette, Wyoming; the Sheridan County Fulmer Public Library located at 335 W. Alger Street in Sheridan, Wyoming; the Clearmont Branch Library located at 1240 Front Street, Clearmont, Wyoming; the Moorcroft Public Library located at 105 E. Converse, Moorcroft, Wyoming; the Johnson County Library located at 171 N. Adams, Buffalo, Wyoming; the PRECorp Corporate Headquarters located at 221 Main Street, Sundance, Wyoming; and at the Basin Electric office located at 2201 South Douglas Highway, Suite 160 in Gillette, Wyoming.

From information provided in the studies mentioned above, and using input provided by government agencies, private organizations, and the public, RUS will prepare a Draft EIS. The Draft EIS will be available for review and comment for 45 days after distribution. A Final EIS will then be prepared that considers all comments received. The Final EIS will be available for review and comment for 30 days after distribution. Following the 30-day comment period, RUS will prepare a Record of Decision (ROD). Notices announcing the availability of the Draft and Final EIS and the ROD will be published in the **Federal Register** and in local newspapers.

Any final action by RUS related to the proposed projects will be subject to, and contingent upon, compliance with all relevant Federal, State and local environmental laws and regulations and completion of the environmental review requirements as prescribed in the RUS Environmental Policies and Procedures (7 CFR Part 1794).

Dated: November 1, 2005.

Nurul Islam,

Acting Director, Engineering and Environmental Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 110405A]

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Capacity Committee on November 29, 2005, to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 29, 2005, at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: *Meeting address:* The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn, 31 Hampshire Street, Mansfield, MA 02048; telephone: (508) 339-2200; fax: (508) 337-8677.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Capacity Committee will review the Terms of Reference adopted by the Council. Northeast Fisheries Science Center (NEFSC) and National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) staff will present reports covering a range of subjects, including: overview of industry-funded buyback programs around the country as well as approaches that could be adopted in New England; definitions of capacity and the assessment of overcapacity; the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) overcapacity reduction initiative and NMFS commitment; institutional arrangements for managing capacity including collaborative management approaches; and, guiding principals and evaluation criteria for managing capacity. Council staff will provide a brief report on NMFS' Overcapacity Workshop held in September. Following discussion of these items, the Committee will proceed with the initial development of capacity management alternatives for groundfish and scallop fisheries.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come

before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, at 978-465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: November 4, 2005.

Emily Menashes,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Establishment of an Import Level and Staged Entry Procedures for Shipments of Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Socks (Categories 332/432/632 part) Produced or Manufactured in the People's Republic of China.

November 4, 2005.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Directive to Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 1, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ross Arnold, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, to establish the following import level and staged entry procedures.

Pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding, signed and dated

November 1, 2005, between the Governments of the United States and the People's Republic of China, the Government of the United States is controlling imports of Chinese-origin cotton, wool and man-made fiber socks (Categories 332/432/632 part) exported from China during the period from November 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005, at a level of 10,298,023 dozen pairs. This agreed level which was reached on November 1, 2005, as a result of consultations between the Government of the United States and the People's Republic of China, under the provisions of Paragraph 242 of the Report of the Working Party for the Accession of China to the World Trade Organization, concerns trade in Chinese-origin cotton, wool and man-made fiber socks. There is no requirement for a textile visa or for an Electronic Visa Information System (ELVIS) transmission for entry of these products.

Consistent with previously established practice for restraints established under paragraph 242 of the Report of the Working Party for the Accession of China to the World Trade Organization, shipments in excess of this agreed level will be subject to delayed and staged entry. Specifically, shipments in excess of this level will not be allowed entry prior to February 1, 2006, at which time, shipments totaling no more than 5 percent of this quota (514,901 dozen pairs) will be allowed entry for the month. An additional 5 percent will be allowed entry each succeeding month until all overshipments are allowed entry.

Shipments in excess of the safeguard limit for socks exported from China during the period of October 29, 2004 through October 28, 2005 remain subject to the staged entry quota and procedures established in a notice and letter to the Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, published in the **Federal Register**. See 70 FR 21399 (April 26, 2005). This is separate from the agreed level and staged entry level for goods exported from China during the period of November 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005.

James C. Leonard III,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

November 4, 2005.

Commissioner,
Bureau of Customs and Border Protection,
Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: Pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Governments of the United States of America

and the People's Republic of China, concerning exports to the United States of socks during the period from November 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005, you are directed to prohibit, effective November 1, 2005, entry into the United States for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of cotton, wool and man-made fiber socks in Category 332/432/632 part, produced or manufactured in the People's Republic of China, during the two month period beginning on November 1, 2005 and extending through December 31, 2005 in excess of 10,298,023 dozen pairs¹. Products which have been exported from China prior to November 1, 2005, shall not be subject to the limit established in this directive.

In carrying out the above directions, the Commissioner should construe entry into the United States for consumption to include entry for consumption into the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

This directive also provides instructions on permitting entry of goods shipped in excess of the agreed level on socks in categories 332/432/632 part, which covers goods exported from China during the period of November 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005. For all shipments exported from China that exceed that level, you are directed to deny entry until February 1, 2006, subject to the following procedure. From February 1 through February 28, 2006, you are directed to permit entry of goods in an amount equal to 5 percent (514,901 dozen pairs) of the agreed level of 10,298,023 dozen pairs. For each succeeding period, beginning on the first of the month, and extending through the last day of the month, you are to permit entry of goods in an amount equal to 514,901 dozen pairs until all shipments in excess of the agreed level have been entered.

The following clarifies the precise quantity to be allowed entry each month for staged entry of overshipments of the safeguard which covered exports from China during the period of October 29, 2004 through October 28, 2005. The agreed level and staged entry procedures for goods exported from China during the period from November 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005 do not affect goods shipped in excess of the safeguard limit on socks which covered exports from China during the period of October 29, 2004 through October 28, 2005, which remain subject to the staged entry procedures which were set forth in a separate directive, dated April 26, 2005. That directive provided that shipments in excess of the limit for the period of October 29, 2004 through October 28, 2005 will be denied entry until November 29, 2005, and at that time no more than 5 percent (2,121,700 dozen pairs) will be allowed entry from the period of November 29, 2005 through December 28, 2005. For each succeeding period, beginning on the

¹ Category 632 Part; Socks: only HTS numbers 6115.93.6020, 6115.93.9020, 6115.99.1420 and 6115.99.1820

29th of the month, and extending through the 28th of the following month, you are directed to permit entry of goods in an amount equal to 2,121,700 dozen pairs, until all shipments in excess of the safeguard limit which covered exports from China during the period of October 29, 2004 through October 28, 2005 have been entered.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,
James C. Leonard III,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.
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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton and Man-Made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam

November 3, 2005.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 10, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ross Arnold, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of these limits, refer to the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection website (<http://www.cbp.gov>), or call (202) 344-2650. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

The current limits for certain categories are being adjusted for swing.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the **CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States** (refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov>). Also