

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Minerals Management Service****Announcement of Meetings for Information-Gathering on Developing an Energy Plan for Conventional and Renewable Resources of the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS)**

AGENCY: Office of Secretary, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: On February 10, 2009, the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) announced his strategy for developing a comprehensive energy plan for the OCS. One facet of the four-step strategy was to hold meetings along the U.S. coasts and in Alaska to gather information on how to move forward with a comprehensive plan for conventional and renewable energy resources of the OCS.

The Secretary announced a series of four meetings to seek ideas and information from states, stakeholders, and affected communities as well as the regulated industries. See below for information on meeting dates, times, locations, and the agenda.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information please contact Ms. Renee Orr, 5-Year Program Manager, Minerals Management Service (MS-4010), 381 Elden Street, Herndon, Virginia 20170, (703) 787-1215.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On February 10, 2009, the Secretary announced his strategy for developing a comprehensive energy plan for the OCS. The Secretary detailed a four-step strategy to develop a plan to lease conventional—oil and gas—and renewable—wind, wave, and current—resources of the OCS, both under the statutory authority of the OCS Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.*). First, the Secretary extended the comment period of the Draft Proposed OCS Oil and Gas Leasing Program for 2010–2015 (DPP) by 180 days to September 21, 2009. A Request for Comments on the DPP and notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement was published in the **Federal Register** on January 21, 2009 (74 FR 3631). The DPP can be downloaded from the MMS Web site at <http://www.mms.gov>. Second, the Secretary directed the MMS and USGS, within 45 days, to prepare a report on the information available on OCS energy resources, information regarding sensitive areas and resources in the OCS, and where there are gaps in the information. Third, within 30 days of receipt of the report, the Secretary will convene regional meetings that are the subject of this notice. Fourth, the

Secretary will issue final regulations for offshore renewable energy in the near future, as mandated by the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109–58).

Public Meetings

The Secretary will convene four public meetings to receive input from stakeholders. The meetings will occur on the following dates at the listed cities. Logistical information will be posted on the MMS home page (<http://www.mms.gov>) at least 2 weeks before the meetings.

Monday, April 6, 2009—Atlantic City Convention Center; One Convention Boulevard; Atlantic City, New Jersey 08401,

Wednesday, April 8, 2009—Tulane University; 6823 St. Charles Avenue; New Orleans, Louisiana 70118,

Tuesday, April 14, 2009—Dena'ina Civic and Convention Center; 600 W. Seventh Avenue; Anchorage, Alaska 99501.

Thursday, April 16, 2009—University of California, San Francisco, Mission Bay Conference Center; Robertson Auditorium; 1675 Owens Street; San Francisco, California 94158.

General Meeting Purposes

The meetings will be convened in the morning by Secretary of the Interior Kenneth L. Salazar. A panel will present the Report prepared by MMS and USGS on the information available on OCS energy resources, information regarding sensitive areas and resources in the OCS, and where there are gaps in the information. The meetings will provide an opportunity to gather the best ideas for how to accomplish the task of gathering the offshore information still needed, and seek recommendations from all interested parties on how to move forward with a comprehensive energy plan for the OCS. Following the morning session, the Secretary will turn over the meeting to MMS for afternoon and evening sessions for receipt of public comments.

Dated: March 10, 2009.

Walter D. Cruickshank,

Acting Director, Minerals Management Service.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 337-TA-645]

In the Matter of Certain Vein Harvesting Surgical Systems and Components Thereof; Notice of Commission Determination Not To Review an Initial Determination Terminating the Investigation in Its Entirety on the Basis of a Settlement Agreement

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined not to review an initial determination (“ID”) (Order No. 21) issued by the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) in the above-captioned investigation terminating the investigation in its entirety on the basis of a settlement agreement.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James A. Worth, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205-3065. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at <http://edis.usitc.gov>. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This investigation was instituted on May 5, 2008, based upon a complaint filed on behalf of Maquet Cardiovascular LLC of San Jose, California (“Maquet”) on April 1, 2008, and supplemented on April 22, 2008. 73 FR 24611 (May 5, 2008). The complaint alleged violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337) in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain vein harvesting systems or components thereof by reason of infringement of one or more claims of U.S. Patent Nos. RE36,043 and

6,830,546. The notice of investigation named as respondents Terumo Corp. (Tokyo, Japan) and Terumo Cardiovascular Systems Corp. (Ann Arbor, Michigan) (collectively, "Terumo").

On December 23, 2008, Maquet and Terumo filed a joint motion pursuant to Commission Rule 210.21 to terminate the investigation on the basis of a settlement agreement. On December 31, 2008, the Commission investigative attorney filed a response in support of the motion. On January 16, 2009, the ALJ issued Order No. 21, granting the motion and terminating the investigation in its entirety. Though not designated as such by the ALJ, Order No. 21 is an initial determination under Commission rule 210.42(c). No petitions for review were filed. The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID.

This action is taken under the authority of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1337), and of sections 210.21 and 210.42 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 210.21 and 210.42).

Issued: February 9, 2009.

By order of the Commission.

Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary to the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Combating Exploitive Child Labor Through Education

AGENCY: Bureau of International Labor Affairs, Department of Labor.

ACTION: General solicitation of public comments on past solicitations for Cooperative Agreement Applications for projects to combat exploitive child labor through education published by the Office of Child Labor, Forced Labor, and Human Trafficking.

SUMMARY: In preparation for a possible FY 2009 Notice of Availability of Funds and Solicitation(s) for Cooperative Agreement Applications (SGAs), the Office of Child Labor, Forced Labor, and Human Trafficking (OCFT) within the U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL), Bureau of International Labor Affairs (ILAB), is requesting public comments on past SGAs published for projects to combat exploitive child labor internationally through education, as well as suggestions for improving such SGAs in the future.

DATES: Comments will be accepted until March 31, 2009.

TO SUBMIT COMMENTS, OR FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Ms. Michal Murphy, International Relations Officer, Office of Child Labor and Human Trafficking, Bureau of International Labor Affairs. Telephone: (202) 693-4843 (this is not a toll-free number). Comments may be submitted by the following methods:

- *E-mail:* murphy.michal@dol.gov; and
- *Facsimile (FAX):* USDOL ILAB/ Office of Child Labor, Forced Labor, and Human Trafficking at (202) 693-4830.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. Background

Since 1995, the U.S. Congress has appropriated over USD 660 million to USDOL's OCFT for efforts to combat exploitive child labor internationally. This funding has been used to support technical cooperation projects to combat exploitive child labor, including the worst forms of child labor, in more than 75 countries worldwide. Technical cooperation projects funded by USDOL's OCFT range from direct action programs targeting specific sectors of work to more comprehensive programs that support national efforts to eliminate the worst forms of child labor as defined by ILO Convention 182. USDOL-funded projects generally seek to achieve five major goals:

1. Withdrawing and preventing children from involvement in exploitive child labor through the provision of direct educational services;
2. Strengthening policies on child labor and education, the capacity of national institutions to combat child labor, and formal and transitional education systems that encourage children engaged in, or at risk of engaging in, exploitive child labor to attend school;
3. Raising awareness of the importance of education for all children and mobilizing a wide array of actors to improve and expand education infrastructures;
4. Supporting research and the collection of reliable data on child labor; and
5. Ensuring the long-term sustainability of these efforts.

Since 2001, USDOL-funded projects have withdrawn or prevented over 1 million children from exploitive labor.

In preparation for possible future solicitations for cooperative agreement applications, OCFT is requesting comments regarding these past SGAs and suggestions for possible improvements. All comments received

will be taken into consideration by ILAB's OCFT in the development of future SGAs for child labor and education projects.

2. Comment Submission Information

All individuals or organizations interested in submitting comments should send them using the information specified above, no later than March 31, 2009. All comments should make reference to this notice requesting public comment on past OCFT SGAs to combat exploitive child labor through education.

In your comments, please indicate which OCFT SGA you are basing your comments on [e.g., SGA 08-01 (FY 2008), SGA 07-10 (FY 2007), SGA 06-06 (FY 2006)]. Recently published OCFT SGAs for projects to combat exploitive child labor through education can be found online at USDOL's Web site: <http://www.dol.gov/ilab/programs/ocft/news.htm>.

General Questions for All Organizations

(1) Where did you first learn about OCFT's SGA?

- The **Federal Register**.
- *Grants.gov*.
- OCFT's "EI Listserve."
- USDOL-OCFT's Web site.
- Other—Please specify.

(2) Please comment on the format of the SGA, including:

- Length of the SGA.
- Is the level of detail in the SGA adequate?
 - Which sections of the SGA do you find most helpful?
 - Which information provided in the SGA do you find least useful?
 - Are the SGA's requirements easy to locate? Clearly presented? Are they reasonable? Are the costs associated with these requirements reasonable?
 - In terms of the SGA's country scopes of work (e.g., Section I.B.3 in SGA 08-01), are OCFT's requirements clear? Which information provided in the country sections is the most helpful? Which information is the least helpful?
 - Are any of OCFT's requirements for the technical and/or cost proposals (outlined in Appendices A and B of SGA 08-01) burdensome or unnecessary? If so, which ones?
 - Are any of the criteria for evaluating applications (e.g., Section V.A. of SGA 08-01) unclear? If so, in what way?
 - Are the instructions for preparing and submitting applications clear and easy to follow? If not, how could they be improved?

(3) In the future, how could OCFT improve its SGAs for projects to combat exploitive child labor through education and make them more user-friendly?