

not met, the reasons why established objectives were not met; (3) Problems, delays, or adverse conditions which will materially affect attainment of planned project objectives; (4) Objectives established for the next reporting period; and (5) Status of compliance with any special conditions on the use of awarded funds.

Dated: October 26, 2001.

Jay B. Wilson,

Executive Director, National Sheep Industry Improvement Center.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Telephone Bank

Sunshine Act; Meeting

AGENCY: Rural Telephone Bank, USDA.

ACTION: Staff briefing for the board of directors.

TIME AND DATE: 2 p.m., Thursday, November 8, 2001.

PLACE: Conference Room 5030, South Building, Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED:

1. Contract for legal and business advisors to the Privatization Committee.
2. FY 2002 Appropriations.
3. Current telecommunications industry issues.
4. Schedule for Year 2002 board meetings.
5. Administrative issues.

ACTION: Board of directors meeting.

TIME AND DATE: 9 p.m., Friday, November 9, 2001.

PLACE: Conference Room 104-A, Jamie L. Whitten Building, Department of Agriculture, 12th and Jefferson Drive, SW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The following matters have been placed on the agenda for the Board of Directors meeting:

1. Call to order.
2. Introduction of Ms. Hilda Gay Legg, newly appointed Governor of the Rural Telephone Bank.
3. Action on Minutes of the August 17, 2001, board meeting.
4. Report on loans approved in FY 2001.
5. Report on financial activity for FY 2001.
6. Privatization Committee report.
7. Establish dates and locations for Year 2002 board meetings.

8. Adjournment.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Roberta D. Purcell, Assistant Governor, Rural Telephone Bank, (202) 720-9554.

Dated: October 26, 2001.

Hilda Gay Legg,

Governor, Rural Telephone Bank.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

[Docket No. ST-01-01]

Plant Variety Protection Board; Open Meeting

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the Plant Variety Protection Board.

DATES: November 14 and 15, 2001, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., open to the public.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the National 4-H Conference Center, 1700 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, Maryland.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Commissioner Paul M. Zankowski, Plant Variety Protection Office, Science and Technology Program, United States Department of Agriculture, 10301 Baltimore Blvd., Room 400, National Agricultural Library Building, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-2351, Telephone number (301) 504-5518 or fax (301) 504-5291.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the provisions of section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C. App.), this notice is given regarding a Plant Variety Protection Advisory Board meeting. The board is constituted under section 7 of the Plant Variety Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 2327).

The proposed agenda for the meeting will include discussions of: (1) A proposal to increase fees of the Plant Variety Protection Office, (2) the Six Sigma review process, (3) long term strategic planning for efficient functioning of the Plant Variety Protection Office, (4) migration to e-business and (5) and other related topics. Written comments may be submitted to the contact person listed above before or after the meeting.

Dated: October 25, 2001.

A.J. Yates,

Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

AGENDA—Plant Variety Protection (PVP) Board Meeting, November 14 and 15, 2001, National 4-H Conference Center, Chevy Chase, MD

November 14, 2001

Call to Order
Introductions
Opening Remarks
Adoption of Agenda
Adoption of March and September 2000 Board Meeting Minutes
Overview of the PVP Act and proposed changes to the regulations and rules of practice
Discussion of proposed fee increase and supplemental fees
Reengineering PVP Office business operations (Six Sigma Process)
Recommendations

November 15, 2001

FY2001 Accomplishment Report
Appeals to the Secretary of Agriculture (if any)
E-Business Migration Plans
Biotechnology—Influence of new molecular techniques for the reviewing applications and bioengineered varieties
Future Program Activities
Topics brought forward by Board members
Meeting Summary
Adjourn

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Georgia Transmission Corporation, Notice of Intent

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to hold scoping meetings and prepare an environmental assessment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) proposes to prepare environmental assessments related to possible financing assistance to Georgia Transmission Corporation for the construction of approximately 25 miles of 230 kV transmission line and 30 miles of 500 kV transmission line. The 230 kV transmission line project would be located in Heard and Carroll Counties, Georgia. The 500 kV transmission line would be located in Heard, Carroll, and Douglas Counties, Georgia.

DATES: RUS and Georgia Transmission Corporation will conduct a scoping meeting in an open house format from 3 P.M. until 8 P.M. on Thursday, November 15, 2001.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Carrollton Parks Recreation and Cultural Arts Center in the Optimist Room located at 118 South White Street, in Carrollton, Georgia 30117, phone (770) 832-1161. The purpose of the meeting is to provide information to the public and solicit comments.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Bob Quigel, Engineering and Environmental Staff, Rural Utilities Service, Stop 1571, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-1571, telephone (202) 720-0468. Mr. Quigel's e-mail address is bquigel@rus.usda.gov. You can also contact Ms. Analee Mayes at Georgia Transmission Corporation at (770) 270-7030. Ms. Mayes' e-mail address is pbctr1@gatrans.com.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Two separate transmission lines are being proposed. A separate environmental assessment will be prepared for each transmission line. Georgia Transmission Corporation proposes to construct a 230 kV transmission between the Yellowdirt Switching Station at Plant Wansley in Heard County to the proposed Hickory Level Substation in Carroll County. (The Hickory Level Substation is anticipated to be in service by 2002 as it is a needed system improvement regardless of the 230 kV transmission line described herein.) Concrete or steel single pole structures ranging in height from 90 to 130 feet would support the conductors and would require a right-of way of approximately 100 feet. The approximate length of the line is 25 miles. It is anticipated that this transmission line would be in service in the spring of 2004. Georgia Transmission Corporation proposes to construct a 500 kV transmission line from the existing substation at Plant Wansley in Heard County to the existing Villa Rica #2 Substation east of Villa Rica, in Douglas County. Lattice steel structures would be used to support the conductors for the length of the project. The heights of these structures typically range from 80 to 150 feet and require a right-of-way width of 180 feet. The approximate length of the line is 30 miles. It is anticipated that this transmission line would be in service by the spring of 2008.

Alternatives considered by RUS and Georgia Transmission Corporation include: (a) No action, (b) alternative transmission improvements, and (c) alternative transmission line corridors. An Alternative Evaluation Study and

Macro Corridor Study Report, prepared by Georgia Transmission Corporation, will be presented at the public scoping meetings. The report is available for public review at RUS at the address provided in this notice, at Georgia Transmission Corporation, 2100 East Exchange Place, Tucker, Georgia 30085 and at:

Whitesburg City Hall, 788 Main Street, Whitesburg, GA 30185, Phone: 770-832-1184

Neva Lomason Memorial Library, 710 Rome Street, Carrollton, GA 30117, Phone: 770-836-6711

Villa Rica City Hall, 571 West Bankhead Hwy., Villa Rica, GA 30180, Phone: 770-459-3656

Heard County Public Library, 564 Main Street, Franklin, GA, Phone: 706-675-6501

Villa Rica Public Library, 70 Horace Luther Dr., Villa Rica, GA 30180, Phone: 770-459-7012

Carrollton City Hall, 315 Bradley Street, Carrollton, GA 30117, Phone: 404-830-2000

Mr. Jim Veal, Roopville City Council, P.O. Box 410, Roopville, GA 30170, Phone: 770-854-7723

Government agencies, private organizations, and the public are invited to participate in the planning and analysis of the proposed project. Representatives from RUS and Georgia Transmission Corporation will be available at the scoping meetings to discuss RUS's environmental review process, describe the project, the need for the project, and macro corridors under consideration, and discuss the scope of environmental issues to be considered, answer questions, and accept oral and written comments. Written comments will be accepted for 30 days after the public scoping meeting. Written comments should be sent to RUS at the address provided in this notice.

From information provided in the alternative evaluation and site selection study, input that may be provided by government agencies, private organizations, and the public, Georgia Transmission Corporation will prepare an environmental analysis to be submitted to RUS for review. RUS will use the environmental analysis to determine the significance of the impacts of the project and may adopt it as its environmental assessment of the project. RUS' environmental assessment of the project would be available for review and comment for 30 days.

Should RUS determine, based on the environmental assessment of the project, that the impacts of the construction and operation of the plant

would not have a significant environmental impact, it will prepare a finding of no significant impact. Public notification of a finding of no significant impact would be published in the **Federal Register** and in newspapers with a circulation in the project area.

Any final action by RUS related to the proposed project will be subject to, and contingent upon, compliance with environmental review requirements as prescribed by CEQ and RUS environmental policies and procedures.

Dated: October 23, 2001.

Glendon D. Deal,

Acting Director, Engineering and Environmental Staff.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Announcement of Import Limits and Guaranteed Access Levels for Certain Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Costa Rica

October 25, 2001.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs establishing limits and guaranteed access levels.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Naomi Freeman, 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 Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the U.S. Customs website at <http://www.customs.ustreas.gov>. 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 import restraint limits and Guaranteed Access Levels (GALs) for textile products, produced or manufactured in Costa Rica and exported during the period January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002 are based on limits notified to the Textiles