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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Upper Tygart Valley River Watershed, Randolph and Pocahontas Counties, West Virginia; Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service.

ACTION: Notice of availability of record of decision.

SUMMARY: William J. Hartman, responsible Federal official for projects administered under the provisions of Public Law 83-566, 16 U.S.C. 1001-1008, in the State of West Virginia, is hereby providing notification that a record of decision to proceed with the installation of the Upper Tygart Valley River Watershed Project is available. Single copies of the Record of Decision may be obtained from William J. Hartman at the address shown below.

For further information, contact William J. Hartman, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 75 High Street, Room 301, Morgantown, West Virginia 26508, phone (304) 284-7545.

Note: (This activity is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under No. 10.904, Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention, and is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials.)

Dated: September 12, 2001.

William J. Hartman,
State Conservationist.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Notice of Proposed Change to Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) of the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Oregon

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

ACTION: Notice of availability of a proposed change in Section IV of the FOTG of the NRCS in Oregon for review and comment.

SUMMARY: It is the intention of NRCS in Oregon to issue a revision to Conservation Practice Standard 393, Filter Strip, in Section IV of the State Technical Guide in Oregon. This practice may be used in conservation systems that treat highly erodible land.

DATES: Comments will be received for a 30-day period commencing with this date of publication. Once the review and comment period is over and the standard is finalized, it will be placed in the individual Field Office Technical Guide in each field office.

ADDRESSES: Address all requests and comments to Roy M. Carlson, Jr., Leader for Technology, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), 101 SW Main Street, Suite 1300, Portland, Oregon 97204. Copies of this standard will be made available upon written request. You may submit electronic requests and comments to roy.carlson@or.usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roy M. Carlson, Jr., 503-414-3231.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 states that revisions made after enactment of the law, to NRCS state technical guides used to carry out highly erodible land and wetland provisions of the law, shall be made available for public review and comment. For the next 30 days, the NRCS in Oregon will receive comments relative to the proposed changes. Following that period, a determination will be made by the NRCS in Oregon regarding disposition of those comments and a final determination of changes will be made. In Oregon, "technical guides" refers to the Field Office

Technical Guide maintained at each NRCS Field Office in Oregon.

Dated: November 1, 2001.

Bob Graham,

State Conservationist, Portland, Oregon.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

2002 Economic Census Covering the Mining Sector

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before January 18, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at MClayton@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Patricia L. Horning, U.S. Census Bureau, Manufacturing and Construction Division, (301) 457-4680, Room 2229, Building #4, Washington, DC 20233 (or via the Internet patricia.l.horning@census.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau is the preeminent collector and provider of timely, relevant and quality data about the people and economy of the United States. Economic data are the Census Bureau's primary program commitment during nondecennial census years. The economic census, conducted under authority of Title 13, U.S.C., is the

primary source of facts about the structure and functioning of the Nation's economy and features unique industry and geographic detail. Economic census statistics serve as part of the framework for the national accounts and provide essential information for government, business and the general public. The 2002 Economic Census Covering the Mining Sector (as defined by the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)) will measure the economic activity of almost 25,000 mineral establishments.

The information collected from establishments in this sector of the economic census will produce basic statistics for number of establishments, shipments, payroll, employment, detailed supplies and fuels consumed, depreciable assets, inventories, and capital expenditures. It also will yield a variety of subject statistics, including shipments by product line, type of operation, size of establishments and other industry-specific measures.

Primary strategies for reducing burden in Census Bureau economic data collections are to increase electronic reporting through broader use of computerized self-administered census questionnaires, on-line questionnaires and other electronic data collection.

II. Method of Collection

The mining industry sector of the economic census will select establishments for their mail canvass from a frame given by the Census Bureau's Business Register. To be eligible for selection, an establishment will be required to satisfy the following conditions: (i) It must be classified in the mining sector; (ii) it must be an active operating establishment of a multi-establishment firm (including operations under exploration and development), or it must be a single-establishment firm with payroll; and (iii) it must be located in one of the 50 states, offshore areas, or the District of Columbia. Mail selection procedures will distinguish the following groups of establishments:

A. Establishments of Multi-Establishment Firms

Selection procedures will assign all active mineral establishments of multi-establishment firms to the mail component of the potential respondent universe, except for those in industries classified in the Support Activities for Mining subsector. In these selected industries, where activities are not easily attributable to individual locations or establishments, firms will be asked to report their basic data for

several establishments at a nationwide level on a consolidated report form. Approximately 7 percent of establishments of multi-establishment firms will not be required to file separate reports because they will be included in consolidated company reports. We estimate that the census mail canvass for 2002 will include approximately 7,000 establishments of multi-establishment firms.

B. Single-Establishment Firms With Payroll

As an initial step in the selection process, we will conduct a study of the potential respondent universe for mining. The study of potential respondents will produce a set of industry-specific payroll cutoffs that we will use to distinguish large versus small single-establishment firms within each industry. This payroll size distinction will affect selection as follows:

1. Large Single-Establishment Firms

Selection procedures will assign large single-establishment firms having annualized payroll (from Federal administrative records) that equals or exceeds the cutoff for their industry to the mail component of the potential respondent universe. We estimate that the census mail canvass for 2002 will include approximately 5,200 firms in this category. These firms will receive a standard form.

2. Small Single-Establishment Firms

We will send a short form to small single-establishment firms in the crushed stone, sand and gravel, and crude petroleum and natural gas industries where application of the cutoff for nonmail establishments results in a larger number of small establishments included in the mail canvass. The short form will collect basic statistics and other essential information that is not available from administrative records.

The short form will be mailed to approximately 2,300 single-establishment firms in these industries which are larger than the nonmail cutoff for their industry, but which have annual payroll under a certain criteria. In terms of employment, this criteria will identify establishments with approximately 5 to 19 employees.

All remaining single-establishment firms with payroll will be represented in the census by data from Federal administrative records. We will not include approximately 10,000 of these small employers in the census mail canvass.

III. Data

OMB Number: Not available.

Form Number: The forms used to collect information from establishments in this sector of the economic census are tailored to specific mining operations and are too numerous to list separately in this notice. You can obtain information on the proposed content of the forms by calling Patricia L. Horning on (301) 457-4680 (or via the Internet at patricia.l.horning@census.gov).

Type of Review: Regular review.

Affected Public: Business or Other for Profit, Non-profit Institutions, Small Businesses or Organizations, and State or Local Governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

Standard Form	12,200.
Short Form	2,300.

Total	14,500.
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Estimated Time Per Response:

Standard Form	4.1 hours.
Short Form	2.2 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:

Standard Form	50,020.
Short Form	5,060.

Total	55,080.
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Estimated Total Annual Cost:
\$843,826.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13, United States Code, sections 131 and 224.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: November 14, 2001.

Madeleine Clayton,

*Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer,
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

Regulations and Procedures Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Regulations and Procedures Technical Advisory Committee (RPTAC) will meet December 4, 2001, 9 a.m., Room 3884, in the Herbert C. Hoover Building, 14th Street between Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues, NW., Washington, DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration on implementation of the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) and provides for continuing review to update the EAR as needed.

Agenda

Public Session

1. Opening remarks by the Chairman.
2. Presentation of papers or comments by the public.
3. Update on pending regulations.
4. Update on implementation of multilateral agreements.
5. Update on Wassenaar Arrangement.
6. Working group activity reports.
7. Discussion on status of Automated Export System regulations.
8. Discussion on intracompany transfer of technology license exception proposal.
9. Status of encryption regulations review.
10. Commerce Control List user-friendliness/simplification recommendations.

Closed Session

11. Discussion of matters properly classified under Executive Order 12958, dealing with the U.S. export control program and strategic criteria related thereto.

A limited number of seats will be available for the public session. Reservations are not accepted. To the extent that time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate the distribution of public presentation materials to the Committee members, the Committee suggests that presenters forward the public presentation

materials prior to the meeting to the following address: Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter, OSIES/EA/BXA MS:3876, 14th St. & Constitution Ave., NW., U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230.

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the delegate of the General Counsel, formally determined on February 12, 2001, pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, that the series of meetings or portions of meetings of the Committee and of any Subcommittees thereof, dealing with the classified materials listed in 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(1) shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in section 10(a)(1) and 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The remaining series of meetings or portions thereof will be open to the public.

A copy of the Notice of Determination to close meetings or portions of meetings of the Committee is available for public inspection and copying in the Central Reference and Records Inspection Facility, Room 6020, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC. For more information, call Lee Ann Carpenter at (202) 482-2583.

Dated: November 13, 2001.

Lee Ann Carpenter,

Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-427-098]

Anhydrous Sodium Metasilicate From France: Amended Final Results of Antidumping Administrative Review

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Amended final results of antidumping administrative review.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 19, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dunyako Ahmadu or Richard Rimlinger, Office of Antidumping/Countervailing Duty Enforcement 3, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-0198 or (202) 482-4477, respectively.

SUMMARY: On October 22, 2001, the Department of Commerce published the final results of the administrative review

of the antidumping duty order on anhydrous sodium metasilicate from France for the period January 1, 2000, through December 31, 2000. However, we neglected to identify Rhodia HCPII (formerly known as Rhone Poulenc, S.A.), which is now the entity manufacturing subject merchandise in France. The purpose of these amended final results is to correct this ministerial error.

Amendment to the Final Results

On October 22, 2001, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the final results of the administrative review of this order in the **Federal Register** (66 FR 53387). See *Notice of Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review* (October 22, 2001). In the final results, we determined the weighted-average dumping margin for the period January 1, 2000, through December 31, 2000, to be 60.00 percent for Rhone-Poulenc, S.A. However, we did not correctly identify Rhodia HCPII (Rhodia), formerly Rhone Poulenc, S.A. Rhodia was formed as a result of a merger between Rhone Poulenc, S.A., and Hoechst. Rhodia is now the entity manufacturing the subject merchandise in France. In our preliminary results, Rhodia was correctly identified as the sole producer/exporter of subject merchandise covered by the review. See **Federal Register** (66 FR 42199). The purpose of these amended final results is to correct this omission.

Furthermore, the Department will issue appraisal instructions for Rhodia directly to the Customs Service. Regarding all shipments of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after October 22, 2001, as provided for by section 751(a)(1) of the Act of 1930, as amended: (1) The cash deposit rate for Rhodia will be 60.00 percent; (2) for previously reviewed or investigated companies not listed above, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recent period; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior review, or the original less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recent period for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (4) for all other producers and/or exporters of this merchandise, the cash deposit rate shall be 60.0 percent, the "all others" rate established in the LTFV investigation (45 FR 77498, November 24, 1980). These deposit rates shall remain in effect until publication of the final