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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Open Road and Open Motorized Trail Analysis, Targhee National Forest, Bonneville, Butte, Clark, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison and Teton Counties, Idaho; Lincoln and Teton Counties, Wyoming

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: The Targhee National Forest will prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) to document the Analysis and disclose the environmental impacts of a open motorized road and trail network for the Targhee National Forest.

In this decision, the Targhee National Forest would designate which roads and trails are open for motorized use.

COMMENTS: Written scoping comments concerning the proposed project and analysis are encouraged and should be postmarked on or before April 23, 1998. Mail comments to Alan Silker, Targhee National Forest, 420 N. Bridge Street, St. Anthony, ID 83445; telephone, (208) 624-3151. Further information can be obtained at the same location. No scoping meetings are planned at this time.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Revised Targhee National Forest Land Management and Resource Plan (Revised Plan) was approved in April, 1997. The management prescriptions adopted in the Revised Plan include standards for the miles of open roads and motorized trails allowed per square mile. Standards are also established for cross country motorized use by prescription area.

In August of 1997, the Targhee National Forest issued a Record of Decision for the Open Road and Open Motorized Trail Travel Plan. Over 1200

appeals were filed on this decision. On January 14, 1998, the Appeal Deciding Officer from the Intermountain Regional Office reversed the Responsible Official's August 1997 decision. In order to assure compliance with the Biological Opinion and the Revised Forest Plan, interim direction was issued.

The Forest Service is seeking information and scoping comments from Federal, State and local agencies as well as individuals and organizations who may be interested in, or affected by, the proposed action. The Forest Service invites written comments and suggestions related to the proposal. Information received will be used in preparation of the draft Supplemental EIS and final Supplemental EIS. For the most effective use, comments should be submitted to the Forest Service within 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register**.

The comment period on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement will be 45 days from the date the Environmental Protecting Agency publishes the notice of availability in the **Federal Register**.

The Forest Service believes, at this early stage, it is important to give reviewers notice of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statements must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final environmental impact statement may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1002 (9th Cir., 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this Proposed Action participate by the close of the 45 day comment period so that substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final environmental impact statement.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the Proposed Action, comments on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

Responsible Official: Jerry Reese, Forest Supervisor, Targhee National Forest, 420 N. Bridge Street, St. Anthony, ID 83445.

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Targhee Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-588-843]

Notice of Amended Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Stainless Steel Wire Rod From Japan

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 24, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Genovese, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0498.

The Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department of Commerce's (the Department's) regulations are references

to 19 CFR part 351 (62 FR 27296 (May 19, 1997)).

Amended Preliminary Determination

We are amending the preliminary determination of sales at less than fair value for stainless steel wire rod (SSWR) from Japan to reflect the correction of a ministerial error made in a margin calculation in that determination. We are publishing this amendment to the preliminary determination pursuant to 19 CFR 351.224(e).

Case History

On February 25, 1998, the Department preliminarily determined that SSWR from Japan is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (63 FR 10854 (March 5, 1998)). On February 27, 1998, we disclosed our calculations for the preliminary determination to counsel for Daido Steel Company, Ltd., Hitachi Metals, Ltd. (Hitachi), and Nippon Steel Corporation. On March 5, 1998, we disclosed our calculations for the preliminary determination to counsel for the petitioner.

On March 2 and 4, 1998, we received submissions, timely filed pursuant to 19 CFR 351.224(c)(2), from Hitachi, alleging ministerial errors in the Department's preliminary determination. In its submissions, Hitachi requested that these errors be corrected and an amended preliminary determination be issued reflecting these changes. We did not receive comments from any other respondent or from the petitioner.

Amendment of Preliminary Determination

The Department's regulations provide that the Department will correct any significant ministerial error by amending the preliminary determination. See 19 CFR 351.224(e). A significant ministerial error is an error the correction of which, either singly or in combination with other errors:

- (1) Would result in a change of at least five absolute percentage points in, but not less than 25 percent of, the weighted-average dumping margin calculated in the original (erroneous) preliminary determination; or
- (2) Would result in a difference between a weighted-average dumping margin of zero (or *de minimis*) and a weighted-average dumping margin of greater than *de minimis*, or vice versa. See 19 CFR 351.224(g).

After analyzing Hitachi's submissions, we have determined that a ministerial error was made in the margin calculation for Hitachi in the preliminary determination. Specifically,

we inadvertently failed to convert the constructed value unit cost information from a per-kilogram basis to a per-pound basis, which is the basis on which the U.S. sales of further manufactured products were reported. See Memorandum To Louis Apple From The Team, dated March 13, 1998, for a detailed discussion of Hitachi's ministerial error and the Department's analysis.

Because the correction of this ministerial error results in a zero margin for Hitachi, the Department hereby amends its preliminary determination to correct this error. In addition, because section 735(c)(5)(A) of the Act directs the Department to exclude zero margins from the calculation of the "All Others Rate," we have recalculated the "All Others Rate." The revised weighted-average dumping margins are as follows:

Manufacturer/producer/exporter	Weighted-average margin percentage
Hitachi Metals, Ltd	0.00
Daido Steel Co., Ltd	31.38
Nippon Steel Corp	24.41
Sanyo Special Steel Co., Ltd ...	31.38
Sumitomo Electric Industries, Ltd	31.38
All Others	26.59

Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with section 733(d)(2) of the Act, the Department will direct the U.S. Customs Service to continue to require a cash deposit or posting of bond on all entries of subject merchandise from Japan—excepted those produced and exported by Hitachi—at the rates indicated above, that are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. The suspension of liquidation will remain in effect until further notice. The revised company-specific rate for Hitachi and the "All Others" rate, as well as those rates which have not changed are listed above.

International Trade Commission Notification

In accordance with section 773(f) of the Act, we have notified the International Trade Commission of the amended preliminary determination.

This amended preliminary determination is published pursuant to section 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: March 18, 1998.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Fisheries Finance Program Applications; 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 May 26, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Charles L. Cooper, Financial Services Division, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910, (301) 713-2396.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Respondents will be commercial fishing industry individuals, partnerships, or corporations which want to obtain Federal financing or refinancing of commercial fishing vessels, fisheries shoreside or aquacultural facilities, or individual fishing quotas, or obtain payment for surrendering their fishing permits and/or vessels under a fishing capacity reduction program. The information collected from applicants will be used to determine their eligibility for financial assistance under the Fisheries Finance Program pursuant to 50 CFR part 253.