

Alternatives assessed in detail include the: (1) No Action Alternative; (2) Proposed Action (construction/operation of the HGS at the Salem site eight miles east of Great Falls, and (3) Industrial Park Site (construction/operation of the power plant, but no wind generation, at an alternate site in a designated industrial park just north of Great Falls). The No Action Alternative avoids most direct adverse environmental effects, but potentially entails a number of indirect and cumulative impacts associated with other generation sources from which SME would have to purchase power if unable to generate its own. In most respects, with the exception of cultural and historic resources, impacts from the Proposed Action (2) and Alternative Site (3) are similar, though the proximity of the Alternative Site to greater numbers of residents intensifies some of these impacts, such as traffic, noise, and air quality; nonetheless, these impacts would not likely be significant. Potential air quality impacts at both locations would be reduced to non-significant levels through the application of CFB technology and other pollution controls. The proposed plant would comply with Montana's air quality standards, including its recent mercury rule. The agency's preferred alternative is Alternative 2.

The FEIS concludes that the Proposed Action would have significant adverse impacts on historic and visual resources, because it is located on and adjacent to the Great Falls Portage National Historic Landmark (NHL). In accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, consultation was initiated with a number of consulting parties and a consulting party meeting was held in Great Falls on October 5 to discuss RUS' adverse effect finding. The results of those discussions are integrated in the FEIS, including a draft Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) that proposes on-site and off-site mitigation measures to avoid and minimize these effects. Potentially significant impacts to traffic during construction were also identified with Alternative 2; a mitigation plan would be developed in cooperation with the Montana Department of Transportation to minimize or mitigate these impacts. Other adverse but non-significant impacts of the Proposed Action include those on soils, water, air, biological resources, noise, transportation, farmland and land use, human health and safety, and environmental justice. The Proposed Action would result in moderately beneficial socioeconomic impacts,

including increased employment opportunities, total purchases of goods and services, and an increase in the tax base.

Construction and operation of the proposed power plant at the Alternative Industrial Park Site would result in broadly similar impacts to those of the Proposed Action, but with some important distinctions. No wind turbines are proposed for the Industrial Park site. Due to space limitations at the Industrial Park site, ash from coal combustion would be hauled off-site to a licensed landfill for disposal. Adverse but non-significant impacts of the Alternative Site include those on soils, water, air, biological resources, noise, cultural and historic resources, visual resources, transportation, farmland and land use, human health and safety, and environmental justice. Building and operating the proposed SME power plant at the Alternative Site would produce moderately beneficial socioeconomic impacts, including increased employment opportunities, total purchases of goods and services, and an increase in the tax base.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Addition

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Proposed Addition to Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee is proposing to add to the Procurement List a service to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

Comments Must Be Received On or Before: March 11, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Jefferson Plaza 2, Suite 10800, 1421 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3259.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO SUBMIT COMMENTS CONTACT: Sheryl D. Kennerly, Telephone: (703) 603-7740, Fax: (703) 603-0655, or e-mail CMTEFedReg@jwod.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 47(a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its

purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the proposed actions.

If the Committee approves the proposed additions, the entities of the Federal Government identified in the notice for each product or service will be required to procure the services listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. If approved, the action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the services to the Government.

2. If approved, the action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the services to the Government.

3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the services proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Comments on this certification are invited. Commenter's should identify the statement(s) underlying the certification on which they are providing additional information.

End of Certification

The following service is proposed for addition to Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

Service

Service Type/Location: Full Food Service, Ft. Indiantown Gap (USPFO of PA), Annville, PA.

NPA: Opportunity Center, Inc, Wilmington, DE.

Contracting Activity: Pennsylvania Army National Guard Bureau, Annville, PA.

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Director, Information Management.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Deletions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Deletions from Procurement List.

SUMMARY: This action from the Procurement List products and a service previously furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 11, 2007.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Deletions

On December 15, 2006, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notice (70 FR 75496-75497) of proposed deletions to the Procurement List.

After consideration of the relevant matter presented, the Committee has determined that the products and service listed below are no longer suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action may result in additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities.

2. The action may result in authorizing small entities to furnish the products and services to the Government.

3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the products and services deleted from the Procurement List.

End of Certification

Accordingly, the following products and service are deleted from the Procurement List:

Products

Bedspring

NSN: 7210-00-110-8104—Bedspring
NSN: 7210-00-110-8105—Bedspring
NSN: 7210-00-582-0984—Bedspring
NSN: 7210-00-582-7540—Bedspring

NPA: Georgia Industries for the Blind, Bainbridge, GA

NPA: L.C. Industries for the Blind, Inc., Durham, NC

NPA: Lions Volunteer Blind Industries, Inc., Morristown, TN

NPA: Mississippi Industries for the Blind, Jackson, MS

NPA: Virginia Industries for the Blind, Charlottesville, VA

NPA: Winston-Salem Industries for the Blind, Winston-Salem, NC

Contracting Activity: GSA, Southwest Supply Center, Fort Worth, TX

Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0156—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0157—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0158—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0159—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0160—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0161—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0162—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0163—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0164—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0165—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0166—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0167—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0168—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0169—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0170—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0171—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0172—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0173—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0174—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0175—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0177—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0178—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0179—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0180—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0181—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0186—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0192—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0199—Box, Wood

NSN: 8115-00-NSH-0203—Box, Wood

NPA: Helena Industries, Inc., Helena, MT

Contracting Activity: Naval Supply Center, San Diego, CA

Brush, Wire, Scratch

NSN: 7920-00-223-7649—Brush, Wire, Scratch

NPA: Industries for the Blind, Inc., West Allis, WI

Contracting Activity: GSA, Southwest Supply Center, Fort Worth, TX

Cap Assembly, Plastic Water Can

NSN: 7240-01-380-9411—Cap Assembly, Plastic Water Can

NPA: L.C. Industries for the Blind, Inc., Durham, NC

Contracting Activity: Defense Supply Center Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA

Coin Bags

NSN: 8105-00-NSH-0005—Coin Bags

NSN: 8105-00-NSH-0006—Coin Bags

NSN: 8105-00-NSH-0008—Coin Bags

NSN: 8105-00-NSH-0009—Coin Bags

NSN: 8105-00-NSH-0010—Coin Bags

NSN: 8105-00-NSH-0011—Coin Bags

NSN: 8105-00-NSH-0012—Coin Bags

NSN: 8105-00-NSH-0013—Coin Bags

NSN: 8105-00-NSH-0014—Coin Bags

NPA: Mount Rogers Community MH-MR

Services Board, Wytheville, VA

Contracting Activity: Bureau of the Mint,

Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC

Meal Kits

NSN: 8970-01-E59-0242B—Meal Kits (Infantry Kit)

NSN: 8970-01-E59-0243B—Meal Kits (Infantry Kits)

NPA: Unknown

NSN: 8970-01-E59-0242A—Meal Kits (MORC Kits)

NSN: 8970-01-E59-0243A—Meal Kits (MORC Kits)

NPA: Topeka Association for Retarded Citizens, Topeka, KS

Contracting Activity: National Guard Bureau Pallet, Wood

NSN: 3990-00-NSH-0063—Pallet, Wood

NSN: 3990-00-NSH-0064—Pallet, Wood

NPA: Chesapeake Bay Industries, Inc., Easton, MD

Contracting Activity: Government Printing Office, Washington, DC

Sponge Rubber Mattresses Rehabilitation

NSN: 7699 24X73X4-1/2—Sponge Rubber Mattresses Rehabilitation

NSN: 7699 24X76X4-1/2—Sponge Rubber Mattresses Rehabilitation

NSN: 7699 26X72-1/2X3—Sponge Rubber Mattresses Rehabilitation

NSN: 7699 26X76-1/2X3—Sponge Rubber Mattresses Rehabilitation

NSN: 7699 26X76X4-1/2—Sponge Rubber Mattresses Rehabilitation

NSN: 7699 28X76X4—Sponge Rubber Mattresses Rehabilitation

NSN: 7699 28X76X6—Sponge Rubber Mattresses Rehabilitation

NSN: 7699 34-3/4X76X6—Sponge Rubber Mattresses Rehabilitation

NPA: Unknown

Contracting Activity: GSA, Southwest Supply Center, Fort Worth, TX

Strap Assembly

NSN: 5855-00-125-0762—Strap Assembly

NPA: Cambria County Association for the Blind and Handicapped, Johnstown, PA

Contracting Activity: Defense Supply Center Columbus, Columbus, OH

Table, VDT

NSN: 7110-01-226-1706—Table, VDT

NSN: 7110-01-226-9888—Table, VDT

NPA: Unknown

Contracting Activity: GSA, National Furniture Center, Arlington, VA

Tree Shade

NSN: 9905-00-NSH-0153—Tree Shade

NPA: Sunrise Enterprises of Roseburg, Inc., Roseburg, OR

Contracting Activity: USDA, Forest Service, Portland, Portland, OR

Service

Service Type/Location: Commissary Shelf Stocking, Custodial & Warehousing, Fort McPherson, Fort McPherson, GA.

NPA: WORKTEC, Jonesboro, GA

Contracting Activity: Defense Commissary Agency, Fort Lee, VA

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