

**ADDRESSES:** Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice of the Administrator's disaster declaration in the State of Texas, dated 03/10/2009, is hereby amended to establish the incident period for this disaster as beginning 02/28/2009 and continuing through 03/13/2009.

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008)

Dated: March 18, 2009.

**Darryl K. Hairston,**  
*Acting Administrator.*

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## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

### Advisory Committee on Veterans Business Affairs; Meeting Notice

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of open Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The SBA is issuing this notice to announce the location, date, time, and agenda for the next meeting of the Advisory Committee on Veterans Business Affairs. The meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES:** Tuesday, April 21, 2009, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Wednesday, April 22, 2009, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

**ADDRESSES:** U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Washington, DC 20416.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to section 10(a) (2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), SBA announces the meeting of the Advisory Committee on Veterans Business Affairs. The Advisory Committee on Veterans Business Affairs serves as an independent source of advice and policy recommendation to the Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration.

The purpose of the meeting is scheduled as a full committee meeting. The agenda will include: The purpose for this meeting is to study, research, and recommend Veterans Business Development topics for the SBA's Administrator, the Congress, and to the President.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The meeting is open to the public; however, advance notice of attendance is requested. Anyone wishing to attend and/or make a presentation to the Advisory Committee on Veterans Business Affairs must contact Cheryl Simms, Program Liaison, by February 2, 2009, by fax or e-mail in order to be placed on the agenda. Cheryl Simms, Program Liaison, U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Veterans Business Development, 409 3rd Street, SW., Washington, DC 20416, Telephone number: (202) 619-1697, Fax number: 202-481-6085, e-mail address: [cheryl.simms@sba.gov](mailto:cheryl.simms@sba.gov).

Additionally, if you need accommodations because of a disability or require additional information, please contact Cheryl Simms, Program Liaison at (202) 619-1697; e-mail address: [cheryl.simms@sba.gov](mailto:cheryl.simms@sba.gov), SBA, Office of Veterans Business Development, 409 3rd Street, SW., Washington, DC 20416.

For more information, please visit our Web site at <http://www.sba.gov/vets>.

Dated: March 11, 2009.

**Bridget E. Bean,**

*Acting SBA Committee Management Officer.*

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## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

### Small Business Size Standards: Waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of periodic review of approved class waivers from the Nonmanufacturer Rule for products in effect as of March 17, 2009.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is conducting a periodic review of approved class waivers from the Nonmanufacturer Rule for products in effect as of March 17, 2009. The purpose of this notice is to determine if there are any small business manufacturers or processors for the products listed on the list of

approved class waivers. The basis for a waiver is that no small business manufacturers are supplying these classes of products to the Federal government. The effect of a waiver would be to allow otherwise qualified small businesses dealers to supply the products of any manufacturer on a Federal contract set aside for small businesses, service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses or participants in SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program.

**DATES:** Comments and source information must be submitted within April 27, 2009.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Edith G. Butler, Program Analyst, by telephone at (202) 619-0422; by FAX at (202) 481-1788; or my e-mail at [Edith.Butler@sba.gov](mailto:Edith.Butler@sba.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 8(a)(17) of the Small Business Act (Act), 15 U.S.C. 637(a)(17), requires that recipients of Federal contracts set aside for small businesses, or SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program provide the product of a small business manufacturer or processor, if the recipient is other than the actual manufacturer or processor of the product. SBA's regulations provided the same for procurements set aside for service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns 13 CFR 125.15. This requirement is commonly referred to as the Nonmanufacturer Rule. See 13 CFR 121.406(b). Section 8(a)(17)(b)(iv) of the Act authorizes SBA to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for any "class of products" for which there are no small business manufacturers or processors available to participate in the Federal market.

In order to be considered available to participate in the Federal market for a class of products, a small business manufacturer must have submitted a proposal for a contract solicitation or received a contract from the Federal government within the last 24 months. 13 CFR 1202(c). The SBA defines "class of products" based on the Office of Management and Budget's North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), and product service codes.

The following are products listed on SBA's list of Approved Class Waivers in Effect as of March 17, 2009.

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Product Service Code	Date in Federal Register	NAICS	Product
210 .....	3/21/2008	335999	All Other Miscellaneous Electrical Equipment and Component Manufacturing (Indoor and Outdoor Electrical Lighting Fixtures).
1395 .....	7/2/2002	332995	AMMUNITION/OTHER ORDNANCES.
2310 .....	7/15/1998	336111	AUTOMOBILE MOTOR VEHICLES, MOTOR TRUCKS.
2320 .....	1/24/1992	333924	TRUCKS, FOUR WHEEL DRIVE UTILITY.
2330 .....	12/5/2008	333924	Trailers and Heavy Truck Tractors.
2420 .....	2/24/1992	333111	TRACTOR, WHEELED.
2620 .....	5/18/1992	326211	TIRE, AIRCRAFT, PNEUMATIC.
2835 .....	7/15/1998	333611	TURBINES.
3110 .....	4/16/2001	332991	AEROSPACE BALL AND ROLLER BEARINGS, CONSISTING OF, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ANNULAR BALL BEARINGS, CYLINDRICAL BALL BEARINGS, LINEAR BALL BEARINGS, LINEAR ROLLER BEARINGS, NEEDLE ROLLER BEARINGS, BALL OR ROLLER BEARING RACES, ROLLER BEARINGS, TAPERED ROLLER BEARINGS AND THRUST ROLLER BEARINGS.
3130 .....	9/27/2002	332991	BEARINGS, MOUNTED.
3610 .....	7/27/1994	333315	COPIER/DUPLICATING MACHINES.
3805 .....	12/28/1989	333120	CONSTRUCTION, BACKHOE.
3805 .....	5/15/1991	333120/333131	SHOVEL LOADERS SCRAPER LOADERS.
3805 .....	12/28/1991	333120	CONSTRUCTION, ROAD GRADER.
3805 .....	12/28/1989	333120	CONSTRUCTION, SCRAPERS.
3805 .....	5/15/1991	333131	CONSTRUCTION, DRILL RIGS.
3810 .....	10/2/1991	333120	CONSTRUCTION, CRANE OVER 15 TON.
3825 .....	9/13/1990	333120	SWEEPERS, STREET.
4710 .....	5/15/1991	331491	PIPE & TUBING HIGH NICKEL ALLOY.
5805 .....	7/5/1991	334210	COMMUNICATION, DIGITAL EPBX EQUIP.
5805 .....	2/12/1997	334210	ROUTERS AND SWITCHES.
5805 .....	7/20/1998	334210	TELEGRAPH APPARATUS.
5805 .....	7/20/1998	334220	CELLULAR HANDSETS AND TELEPHONES.
5805 .....	7/20/1998	334220	RADIO TELEPHONE.
5820 .....	7/8/2008	334220	TELEVISIONS.
5821 .....	2/12/1997	334511	AIRBORNE INTEGRATED COMPONENTS.
5836 .....	2/8/1993	334310	VIDEO CASSETTE RECORDER.
5836 .....	1/28/1997	333315	8MM TRI-DECK AIRBORNE RECORDER.
5920 .....	5/5/1997	335931	SURGE ARRESTERS.
5925 .....	5/5/1997	335313	POWER CIRCUIT BREAKERS.
5950 .....	5/5/1997	335311	CURRENT AND POTENTIAL TRANSFORMER AUTOTRANS-FORMER.
5805 .....	7/20/1998	334416	TOWERS.
5999 .....	11/2/2004	335999	MISCELLANEOUS ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT AND COMPONENTS MANUFACTURING.
6015 .....	6/13/2003	334417/335921	OVERHEAD FIBER OPTIC GROUNDWIRE & ANCILLARY HARDWARE COMPONENTS.
6135 .....	2/24/1992	335911	STORAGE BATTERIES.
6145 .....	12/5/2008	335931	Control Cable and Conductors.
6145 .....	12/5/2008	335932	Line Hardware (insulator Strings).
6525 .....	12/20/2007	334510	Electromedical and Electrotherapeutic Apparatus Manufacturing.
6525 .....	12/26/2007	334517	Irradiation Apparatus Manufacturing.
6525 .....	12/20/2007	334510	Electromedical/Electrotherapeutic Apparatus Manufacturing (Diagnostic equipment, MRI (magnetic resonance imaging), manufacturing; Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) medical diagnostic equipment manufacturing; Medical ultrasound equipment manufacturing; MRI (magnetic resonance imaging) medical diagnostic equipment manufacturing; Patient monitoring equipment (e.g., intensive care coronary care unit) manufacturing; PET (positron emission tomography) scanners manufacturing; and Positron emission tomography (PET) scanners manufacturing).
6525 .....	12/26/2007	334517	Irradiation Apparatus Manufacturing (X-Ray Equipment/Supplies).
6525 .....	01/29/2008	334517	Irradiation Apparatus Manufacturing (Computerized axial tomography (CT/CAT) scanners manufacturing; CT/CAT (computerized axial tomography) scanners manufacturing; Fluoroscopes manufacturing; Fluoroscopic X-ray apparatus and tubes manufacturing; Generators, X-ray, manufacturing; Irradiation equipment manufacturing; X-ray generators manufacturing; and X-ray irradiation equipment manufacturing).
6240 .....	01/28/2008	335999	All Other Miscellaneous Electrical Equipment/Component Manufacturing (Fluorescent Lamps, Incandescent Lamps, etc.).
6250 .....	01/28/2008	335999	All Other Miscellaneous Electrical Equipment/Component Manufacturing (Electric Lamp Starters/Lamp Holders, etc.).
6770 .....	11/15/2005	325992	Photo-film, paper, plate & Chem. Manufacturing.
6810 .....	04/27/2006	324110	REFINERY GASES MADE IN PETROLEUM REFINERIES.
6810 .....	04/27/2006	332420	CRYOGENIC TANK, HEAVY GAUGE METAL, MANUFACTURING.
6810 .....	04/27/2006	332420	LIQUID OXYGEN TANKS MANUFACTURING.
6810 .....	04/27/2006	332420	LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS (LPG) CYLINDERS MANUFACTURING.
6810 .....	04/27/2006	332420	BULK STORAGE TANKS, HEAVY GAUGE METAL, MANUFACTURING.
6810 .....	04/27/2006	332420	GAS STORAGE TANKS, HEAVY GAUGE METAL MANUFACTURING.

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6810 .....	04/27/2006	332420	CYLINDERS, PRESSURE, HEAVY GAUGE METAL, MANUFACTURING.
6810 .....	04/27/2006	325120	INDUSTRIAL GASES MANUFACTURING.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325181	CAUSTIC SODA.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325181	SODA ASH.
6810 .....	2/24/1992	325181	SODIUM HYDROXIDE.
6810 .....	2/24/1992	325188	ACID, BORIC.
6810 .....	4/24/1992	325188	ACID, ENRICHED BORIC.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325188	ACID, HYDROCHLORIC.
6810 .....	2/24/1992	325188	ACID, HYDROFLUORIC.
6810 .....	2/24/1992	325188	CALCIUM NITRATE (UNCOATED).
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325110	HEPTANE HPCL.
6810 .....	2/24/1992	325188	N-DODECANE.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325199	ETHYL ACETATE.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325110	BENZENE.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325110	TOLUENE.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325191/325199	ACETATE NATURAL SYNTHETIC.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325311	AMMONIUM SULFATE.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325199	METHYL ISOBUTYL KETONE.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325191/325199	ACETONE.
6810 .....	2/24/1992	325199	METHYLENE CHLORIDE.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325199	NN-DIMETHYL FORMAMIDE.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325199	PROPYLENE GLYCOL.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325199	METHANOL.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325311	NITRIC ACID.
6810 .....	10/21/1996	325199	PURIFIED TEREPHTHALIC ACID GROUND.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325199	PTAU.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325199	TRICHLORETHANE.
6810 .....	5/15/1991	325311	AMMONIUM SULFATE.
6810 .....	2/24/1992	324110	HYDROCARBON DILUENT.
7021 .....	8/28/1991	334111	MAINFRAME COMPUTERS AND PERIPHERALS*.
7025 .....	8/8/1991	334119	COMPUTER LASER PRINTER.
7110 .....	6/27/2006	337215	Furniture Frames and Parts, Metal Manufacturing.
7110 .....	6/27/2006	337215	Furniture, Frames, Wood, Manufacturing.
7110 .....	6/27/2006	337215	Furniture Parts, Finished Metal Manufacturing.
7110 .....	6/27/2006	337215	Furniture Parts, Finished Plastics, Manufacturing.
7110 .....	6/27/2006	337127	Furniture, Factory-type (e.g., cabinets, stools, tool stands, work benches) Manufacturing.
7195 .....	6/27/2006	339111	Furniture, hospital (e.g., hospital beds, operating room furniture), Manufacturing.
7195 .....	6/27/2006	339111	Furniture, Laboratory-type (e.g., benches, cabinets, stools, tables) Manufacturing.
7220 .....	1/15/1991	314110	CARPET TILE.
7220 .....	5/15/1991	314110	CARPET, WOVEN, 6-FT VINYL BACK BROADLOOM.
7220 .....	1/15/1991	314110	CARPET, 6 FT VINYL BACK BROADLOOM.
7220 .....	5/15/1991	326192	TILE AND ROLL, VINYL SURFACE.
7290 .....	11/15/2005	333415	COMMERCIAL REFRIGERATOR EQUIPMENT.
7320 .....	11/15/2005	335221	HOUSEHOLD REFRIGERATOR EQUIPMENT.
7290 .....	10/21/2005	333312	COMMERCIAL LAUNDRY EQUIPMENT.
7320 .....	10/21/2005	335522	HOUSEHOLD REFRIGERATOR EQUIPMENT.
7320 .....	10/21/2005	335221	HOUSEHOLD COOKING EQUIPMENT.
7510 .....	1/12/2006	335222, 339940, 325992, 322231, 339940	OFFICE SUPPLIES, PAPER & TONER.
7610 .....	8/3/1990	323117	THESAURUSES & DICTIONARIES.
7730 .....	7/27/1994	334310	DISC PLAYERS, COMPACT.
7730 .....	7/27/1994	334310	TELEVISION RECEIVING SETS.
8040 .....	02/09/2005	325520	ADHESIVES AND SEALANTS MANUFACTURING.
8905 .....	10/2/1991	311711	TUNA, CANNED.
8915 .....	9/23/1991	311421	APRICOTS, CANNED.
8915 .....	10/2/1991	311421	CITRUS SECTIONS, CANNED.
8915 .....	10/2/1991	311421	SPINACH, CANNED.
8915 .....	9/23/1991	311421	TOMATO PASTE, CANNED.
8925 .....	10/2/1991	311312	SUGAR, GRANULATED & BROWN.
9310 .....	10/2/1991	322224	PAPER BAGS (SMALL HARDWARE TYPE).
9510 .....	5/15/1991	331491	BARS & ROD, HIGH NICKEL ALLOY.
9515 .....	5/15/1991	331491	PLATE, SHEET, STRIP & FOIL; STAINLESS STEEL & HIGH NICKEL ALLOY.
9515 .....	9/25/1990	331315	PLATE, SHEET, STRIP, FOIL & WIRE; HIGH NICKEL ALLOY.
9520 .....	5/15/1991	331111	STAINLESS STEEL SHAPES.
9525 .....	5/15/1991	331491	WIRE, NONELECTRICAL HIGH NICKEL ALLOY.
9530 .....	5/15/1991	331491	BARS & RODS, HIGH NICKEL ALLOY.
9530 .....	8/23/1991	331491	ALUMINUM.
9530 .....	8/23/1991	331312	NICKEL-COPPER NICKEL.

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9535 .....	6/8/2004	331315	ALUMINUM, SHEET, PLATE AND FOIL MANUFACTURING.
9650 .....	9/25/1990	331411	COPPER & NICKEL CATHODES.
9650 .....	9/25/1990	331411	COPPER CATHODES.
9650 .....	9/25/1990	331419	NICKEL BRICKETTES.
9999 .....	8/11/2004	333415	ICE MAKING MACHINERY MANUFACTURING.

\*This waiver covers only peripheral equipment when purchasing a mainframe computer (PSC 7021).

The public is invited to provide comments to SBA on the periodic review of approved class waivers in effect as of March 17, 2009 under the above mentioned class of NAICS codes within 30 days after date of publication in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: March 20, 2009.

**Karen C. Hontz,**

*Director for Government Contracting.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 6560]

### Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA)

*Request for Grant Proposals:* Youth Leadership Programs: South Asia and Southeast Asia.

*Announcement Type:* New Grants.

*Funding Opportunity Number:* ECA/PE/C/PY-09-39.

*Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:* 19.415.

*Application Deadline:* May 14, 2009.

*Executive Summary:* The Office of Citizen Exchanges, Youth Programs Division, of the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs announces an open competition for two Youth Leadership Programs, one for 21 exchange participants from three countries in South Asia (Nepal, Sri Lanka, and the Maldives) and one for 50-60 participants from countries in Southeast Asia that are members of the Association of South East Asian Nations (Brunei, Burma, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam). Public and private non-profit organizations meeting the provisions described in Internal Revenue Code section 26 U.S.C. 501(c)(3) may submit proposals to conduct 25-day U.S.-based exchanges program for high school students and teachers from one of these regions. The activities will focus on civic education, leadership, diversity, and community activism, which will

prepare participants to conduct projects at home that serve a community need.

#### I. Funding Opportunity Description:

**Authority:** Overall grant making authority for this program is contained in the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, Public Law 87-256, as amended, also known as the Fulbright-Hays Act. The purpose of the Act is "to enable the Government of the United States to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries \* \* \*; to strengthen the ties which unite us with other nations by demonstrating the educational and cultural interests, developments, and achievements of the people of the United States and other nations \* \* \* and thus to assist in the development of friendly, sympathetic and peaceful relations between the United States and the other countries of the world." The funding authority for the program above is provided through legislation.

**Purpose:** The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) is supporting two new Youth Leadership Programs, one with three countries in South Asia (Nepal, Sri Lanka, and the Maldives) and one with up to ten countries in Southeast Asia, member states of the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN). Each program will feature exchanges to the United States that are 25-days-long for teenagers (ages 15-17) and adult educators. The grant recipients will design and implement the U.S. exchange activities. U.S. Embassies in the participating countries will recruit, screen, and select the participants; arrange international travel to the United States; and work with alumni.

These programs are designed to promote high-quality leadership, civic responsibility, and civic activism among our countries' future leaders. They will offer a practical examination of the principles of democracy and civil society as practiced in the United States and provide participants with training that allows them to develop their leadership skills. The applicant should present a program plan that allows the participants to thoroughly explore civic education in the United States in a

creative, memorable, and practical way. Activities should be designed to be replicable and provide practical knowledge and skills that the participants can apply to school and civic activities at home. The English-speaking participants will live with American families for the majority of the exchange period. Multiple opportunities for participants to interact with American youth and educators must be included.

The goals of the program are:

- (1) To promote mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of the partner countries;
- (2) To develop a sense of civic responsibility and commitment to community development among youth;
- (3) To develop leadership skills among secondary school students appropriate to their needs; and
- (4) To foster relationships among youth from different ethnic, religious, and national groups.

A successful program will be one that nurtures a cadre of students and teachers to be actively engaged in addressing issues of concern in their schools and communities upon their return home and that equips them with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to become citizen activists.

The Bureau anticipates providing two grants to support two discrete Youth Leadership Programs, one for each region. Note that the grant funds available through this solicitation are not intended to cover the international airfare for the exchange participants. Organizations may submit only one proposal, for either the South Asia program or the Southeast Asia program. The two programs will be judged independently and proposals will be compared only to proposals for the same region. ECA intends to award only one grant for each program.

#### *Project A: South Asia Youth Leadership Program*

One grant. Funding for this grant is approximately \$95,000.

The program will be offered for 21 participants—six students and one