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DATE February 25, 1977

TO DR. R. S. BROOKMAN

FROM R. A. PARK

REFERENCE

SUBJECT

FEDERAL REGISTER ALERT
EPA - DEVELOPMENT OF STANDARDS FOR LEAD

REFERENCE: F. R., Vol. 42, No. 36 - Wednesday, February 23, 1977
pg. 10708-9.

Attached notice states that EPA is expected to issue
air quality criteria for lead on August 10, 1977.
Interested persons are invited to participate by submitting
"written data, opinions, or arguments as they may desire."



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Attachments

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making provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553. This letter will be published in the *FEDERAL REGISTER*.

Sincerely,

ARTHUR GAREL,
Acting Chairman, Committee for the
Implementation of Textile Agree-
ments, U.S. Department of Com-
merce.

OFFICIALS OF THE FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF
BRAZIL AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE VISAS FOR
COTTON TEXTILES AND COTTON TEXTILE
PRODUCTS EXPORTED TO THE UNITED STATES

Honorio Onofre de Abreu
Alvaro de Sa Andrade
Francisco Sampaio de Araujo
Jose Carlos de Araujo
Alvaro Volpe Bacelar
Eduardo Jose Ferreira Barnes
Antonio Carlos Bastos Junior
Henrique Reis Bergan
Jose Magno de Leao Brasil
Jose Coracy de Souza Coelho
Octavio de Almeida Ribeiro Dantas
Jose Maria Duprat
Fued Farhat
Jayme Lobo Ferreira
Antonio Bezerra de Figueiredo
Darcy Mattos Fonseca
Mario Joaze Pinto de Freitas
Publio Jackson Furlatti
Eudes Izar
Mario Emilio Kreblich
Osvaldo Ladewig
Gilfredo Vieira Lessa
Antonio Lins
Jairbas Cezar Loureiro
Francisco Magalhaes
Nelson Duran Mascia
Clidenor Jacob Medeiros
Rolando Missfeldt
Arnaldo Nogueira Junior
Renato de Arruda Penteado Junior
Joiffe Pereira
Elmo Pignatano
Rufino Cancio Pires
Fauzi Rahme
Lutz Ramina
Flavio Eduardo Patricio Ribeiro
Lair Passos Saralva
Flavio Scottini
Ary de Oliveira Seabra
Isaac Carneiro da Silva
Nestor de Almeida e Silva
Onofre Marques da Silva Junior
Geraldo de Souza
Nilo Augusto Borges Teixeira
Ernio Antonio Thimnig
Dario Raphael Tobar
Danilo Octavio de Toledo
Roberto Varela
Jaime Perez de Vasconcellos
Armando Vulcano
Celso Mario Zipf

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MAN-MADE TEXTILES

Consultation Limit for Product From Haiti

FEBRUARY 16, 1977.

AGENCY: Committee for the Imple-
mentation of Textile Agreements.

ACTION: Increasing the consultation
limit for man-made fiber hosiery in
Category 215, exported to the United
States from Haiti, to 869,565 dozen pairs
for the twelve-month period which be-
gan on January 1, 1977.

SUMMARY: Under the terms of para-
graph 7 of the Bilateral Cotton, Wool
and Man-Made Textile Agreement of
March 22, 1976, as amended, between
the Governments of the United States

and Haiti, the Government of Haiti has
requested an increase in the consulta-
tion limit applicable to Category 215 for
the current agreement year which began
on January 1, 1977. The United States
Government has acceded to the request.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 16, 1977.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CON-
TACT:

Judith L. McConahy, International
Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles,
U.S. Department of Commerce, Wash-
ington, D.C. 20230 (202-377-5423)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
On December 30, 1976, a letter was pub-
lished in the *FEDERAL REGISTER* (40 FR
56879) from the Chairman of the Com-
mittee for the Implementation of Textile
Agreements to the Commissioner of Customs
which established levels of restraint
applicable to certain specified categories
of cotton and man-made fiber textile
products, produced or manufactured in
Haiti and exported to the United States
during the twelve-month period which
began on January 1, 1977. In the letter
published below the Chairman of the
Committee for the Implementation of
Textile Agreements directs the Commis-
sioner of Customs to increase the level
established for hosiery in Category 215
to 869,565 dozen pairs.

ARTHUR GAREL,
Acting Chairman, Committee
for the Implementation of
Textile Agreements, U.S. De-
partment of Commerce.

COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS
February 16, 1977.

COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS,
Department of the Treasury,
Washington, D.C. 20229.

DEAR MR. COMMISSIONER: This directive
amends, but does not cancel, the directive
issued to you on December 27, 1976 by the
Chairman, Committee for the Implementa-
tion of Textile Agreements, concerning im-
ports into the United States of certain cot-
ton and man-made fibers textile products
produced or manufactured in Haiti.

Under the terms of the Arrangement Re-
garding International Trade in Textiles done
at Geneva on December 20, 1973, pursuant
to the Bilateral Cotton, Wool and Man-Made
Fiber Textile Agreement of March 22, 1976,
as amended, between the Governments of
the United States and Haiti, and in ac-
cordance with the provisions of Executive
Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, you are di-
rected to prohibit, effective on February 16,
1977 and for the twelve-month period which
began on January 1, 1977 and extends
through December 31, 1977, entry into the
United States for consumption and with-
drawal from warehouse for consumption of
man-made fiber textile products in Cate-
gory 215 in excess of 869,565 dozen pairs.

The actions taken with respect to the Gov-
ernment of Haiti and with respect to im-
ports of man-made fiber textile products
from Haiti have been determined by the
Committee for the Implementation of Textile
Agreements to involve foreign affairs
functions of the United States. Therefore,
the directions to the Commissioner of Customs,
being necessary to the implementa-
tion of such actions, fall within the foreign
affairs exception to the rule-making provi-

sions of 5 U.S.C. 553. This letter will be pub-
lished in the *FEDERAL REGISTER*.

Sincerely,

ARTHUR GAREL,
Acting Chairman, Committee for the
Implementation of Textile Agree-
ments.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

COMMODITY EXCHANGE, INC.

Availability of Proposed Zinc Futures
Contract

In accordance with its established pol-
icy, the Commodity Futures Trading
Commission ("Commission") is making
available copies of the proposed zinc
futures contracts submitted by the Com-
modity Exchange, Inc., New York, New
York for contract market designation
pursuant to sections 5 and 5a of the
Commodity Exchange Act, as amended.
Copies of the proposed zinc contract will
be available at the Commission's offices
in Washington, New York, Chicago,
Minneapolis, Kansas City and San
Francisco. Additionally, the Commission
will furnish copies of this proposed con-
tract upon request to the Executive Sec-
retariat.¹

Any person interested in expressing his
views on the terms and conditions of the
proposed contract should send his com-
ments by March 25, 1977 to Ms. Jane
Stuckey, Executive Secretariat, Com-
modity Futures Trading Commission,
2033 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.
20581. Copies of all comments will be
available for inspection at the Commis-
sion's Washington office.

Issued in Washington on February 16,
1977.

WILLIAM T. BAGLEY,
Chairman.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL 556-1]

DEVELOPMENT OF STANDARDS FOR LEAD

Solicitation of Public Participation

On March 31, 1976, in compliance with
the order dated March 1, 1976, of Judge
Stewart in NRDC et al. vs. Train,
S.D.N.Y. 74 Civ. 4617, the Environmental
Protection Agency listed the air pollutant
lead as a substance for which criteria and
national ambient air quality standards
are to be issued pursuant to the provi-
sions of section 108(a)(1) of the Clean
Air Act, as amended. The listing was pub-
lished in the *FEDERAL REGISTER* of April
8, 1976 (41 FR 14921). EPA appealed this
order to the United States Court of Ap-
peals for the Second Circuit, which, on
November 10, 1976, affirmed the original
order.

¹ Zinc by-laws filed as part of the original
document.

Under sections 108 and 109 of the Clean Air Act, as amended, within twelve months from the inclusion of lead on the list, the Administrator is expected to issue air quality criteria for lead, to issue information on air pollution control techniques, and to publish proposed national ambient air quality standards. These actions are now scheduled for August 10, 1977, due to a stay in the case pending the Court of Appeals decision. Accordingly, interested persons are invited to participate in Agency efforts to develop the national ambient air quality standard for lead by submitting written data, opinions, or arguments as they may desire.

Communications on lead air pollution should be submitted to: The Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Strategies and Air Standards Division, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711, Attention: Mr. Joseph Padgett.

Dated: February 15, 1977.

JOHN QUARLES,
Acting Administrator.

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[FRL 689-1]

MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE Policy on Utilization of A&E/Consultant

On September 3, 1976, a document was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER announcing the Environmental Protection Agency's plan to institute a Policy in cooperation with the architectural and engineering professions to encourage the utilization of minority consulting firms on EPA assisted projects. The period for receipt of public comments ended November 22, 1976. No comments adverse to the Environmental Protection Agency's proposed Policy were received. Accordingly, notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency's Policy on Utilization of Architectural and Engineering Consultant Services is hereby adopted and provides as follows:

INTRODUCTION

In implementation of 40 CFR 35.936-7 and 40 CFR Part 33 (42 FR 8090 February 8, 1977), the Environmental Protection Agency in cooperation with the architectural and engineering professions, hereby institutes a Policy to encourage the utilization of minority consulting firms on EPA assisted projects. The Policy is intended to implement agency and Federal Government requirements that positive efforts be made by recipients of federal assistance to utilize minority-owned business sources of supplies and services, allowing these sources the maximum feasible opportunity to compete for contracts and subagreements to be performed utilizing federal grant funds.

DEFINITIONS

Minority Business Enterprise. A business, at least 50 percent of which is owned and/or controlled by minority group members, or, in the case of publicly owned businesses, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned and/or con-

trolled by minority group members, or as otherwise defined by State requirements.

Minority Group Members. Negroes, Hispanic Americans, Asian-Americans, American-Indians, American-Eskimos, and American-Aleuts.

STATEMENT OF THE POLICY

The goal of the Policy is promotion of fair opportunity for participation by minority consulting firms on EPA assisted projects. Any use of a quota system is prohibited.

All applicants/grantees and consulting firms on all FWPCA Title 2 construction section 208, and section 104(h) grant projects are expected to promote this goal. Whenever there is no minority participation on any project for sections 208 and 104(h) or Step I of section 201, (exclusive of sewer system evaluation) involving consulting services contracts equalling or exceeding \$100,000; or \$500,000 on a project for Step II of section 201, the applicant/grantee and consulting firm must be prepared to demonstrate to EPA Regional Civil Rights and Urban Affairs Office the steps they took to seek minority participation and the reasons why none was obtained. This must be done prior to EPA approval of the grant or subagreement under the grant. (EPA will monitor every project where consulting service contracts equal or exceed as specified above for compliance with this Policy.)

On all FWPCA Title 2 construction, section 208, and section 104(h) grant projects where the estimated consulting service contracts are less than as specified above, EPA will monitor projects on a random sample basis. Documentation of efforts made to utilize minority firms must be maintained by all applicants/grantees and consulting firms.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARTICIPANTS

APPLICANT/GRANTEE

All applicants/grantees are expected to take positive steps to afford fair opportunities for minority firms to participate on EPA assisted projects. "Positive steps" in this context shall include but not be limited to: (a) Utilizing a source list of minority business enterprises; (b) giving minority firms sufficient time to submit proposals in response to solicitations; (c) including in all requests for proposals for consultants the "utilization of minority contractors/subcontractors statement" from EPA grant regulations and their proposed method for implementing it; (d) making available to all minority firms interested in subcontracting or otherwise participating, a list of the prospective prime consultants expressing an interest in the specific EPA assisted project; (e) providing all the prospective prime consultants with a source list of minority-owned firms; (f) informing prospective consultants of the EPA Policy concerning the utilization of minority businesses; (g) maintaining records showing minority firms contacted, awards to minority business enterprises, and specific efforts to identify and award contracts to minority business enterprises not previously

identified; and, (h) reviewing consultants' participation.

CONSULTING FIRMS

All consulting firms on EPA assisted projects are expected to take positive steps to afford opportunities for minority-owned firms to participate on the projects by: (a) Extending opportunity for subcontracting or joint arrangements to minority business enterprises and assuring EPA and the grantee that every effort will be made to establish joint arrangements with, or award subcontracts to, minority business enterprises; (b) providing EPA with a list of the minority firms to be utilized through subcontracts or joint arrangements (including the nature of the contract and the dollar value), or if minority-owned available firms will not be used, explaining why; (c) maintaining records showing minority firms contacted, awards to the minority business enterprises, and specific efforts to identify and award contracts to minority business enterprises not previously identified; and (d) requiring that each subcontractor under the contract comply with the provisions of the contract and the minority business enterprise requirements.

ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

As their part in this cooperative program, the participating architectural and engineering professional associations have agreed that they will: (a) Announce and publicize the program to their memberships; (b) encourage subcontracting and joint arrangements with minority architectural and engineering firms; and (c) provide a register of minority architectural and engineering firms to their memberships and EPA.

MINORITY-OWNED FIRMS

Minority-owned firms are expected to: (a) Become involved in initial State and local project planning process; (b) furnish State and local governments capability statements; and (c) maintain liaison with the nearest EPA Regional Civil Rights Office.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

EPA will actively monitor performance under this cooperative Policy in each EPA Regional Office.

EPA Regional Civil Rights Offices will: (a) Notify in writing State agencies and grantees of the minority business enterprise requirements, for FWPCA Title 2 grants, section 208 grants, and section 104(h) grants; (b) provide applicants/grantees with a listing of minority consultants in their particular regional areas (this list would not be all inclusive, nor would inclusion reflect EPA endorsement or certification of the firms' capabilities); (c) notify minority A&E/consultant associations and other appropriate organizations of grants to be awarded; (d) report to Headquarters quarterly on the status of the Policy, including contracts awarded to minority firms; and (e) provide an overview of the Policy by