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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Office of National Drug Control

Drug Control Research, Data, and Evaluation Committee; Meeting

AGENCY: Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy.

ACTION: The Drug Control Research, Data, and Evaluation Committee (DCRDEC); Notice of Forthcoming Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a forthcoming meeting of the Drug Control Research, Data, and Evaluation Committee of the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

Date, time and place. July 30, 1997, 9:00 a.m., Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), Executive Office of the President, 750 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Type of meeting and contact person. Open public meeting, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., unless public participation does not last that long; open committee discussion, 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; Janie Dargan, ONDCP, (202) 395-6714. Persons intending to attend the meeting should arrive in advance and come to 7th Floor Security with identification; the meeting will take place on a secure floor of the building.

General function of the committee. The Committee provides an avenue of communication by which a distinguished group of experts representing scientific, engineering, law enforcement, treatment, and associated international scientific communities advise the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) on questions related to national drug control research. The Committee assists ONDCP in identifying gaps in current data collection to improve the generation of accurate and useful

information on which to base national drug control policy.

Agenda—Open public meeting. Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the Committee. Specifically, the Committee will provide input into recommendations made to ONDCP by an independent group of drug research experts on how to better integrate information and drug control policy. Additionally, the Committee will advise ONDCP on major policy initiatives and data priorities. Those desiring to make a formal presentation should notify the contact person before July 23, 1997, and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the evidence or arguments they wish to present, the names and addresses of proposed participants, and an indication of the approximate time required to make their comments.

Open committee discussion. The Committee will discuss and advise ONDCP regarding the following:

- Federal Drug-Related Data Needs
- the Integration of Information and Drug Control Policy
- Future Needs for Prevention and Treatment Research
- Harnessing Technology to Support the National Drug Control Strategy

The agenda, the questions to be addressed by the committee, and a current list of committee members will be available at the meeting location on the day of the meeting. Transcripts of the open portion of the meeting may be requested in writing from the Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy, FOIA Requests, Office of Legal Counsel, 750 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20503, approximately 15 working days after the meeting, at a cost of 10 cents per page. The transcript may be viewed at the Office of National Drug Control Policy, Office of Legal Counsel at the above indicated address. Summary minutes of the open portion of the meeting may be requested in writing from the Freedom of Information Office (address above) beginning approximately 90 days after the meeting.

This notice is issued under section 10(a)(1) and (a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2), and 41 CFR 101-6, *et seq.*, the

Federal regulations on advisory committee meetings.

Edward H. Jurith,
General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Consumer Service

Public Notice of Findings in Yield Research for Revision of "Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs"

AGENCY: Food and Consumer Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that beginning in July, 1997 the Food and Consumer Service (FCS) will post monthly notices concerning preliminary yield research findings on the Healthy School Meals Resource System at <http://schoolmeals.nal.usda.gov:8001>. The yield research information will be both for new foods to be included in the next revision of the "Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs" and for currently listed foods reexamined using the latest in food testing technology. FCS is posting this yield information so that interested members of the public, including industry representatives, can review and comment on the findings and the related methodology prior to finalizing the yield data for the next revision of the Food Buying Guide.

DATES: This notice is effective July 16, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Address comments on research findings or requests for yield research on specific items to Linda Ebert, Nutritionist, Nutrition and Technical Services Division, Food and Consumer Service, USDA, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 607, Alexandria, Virginia 22302.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Linda Ebert at (703) 305-2632.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Regulatory Flexibility Act

This action is not a rule as defined by the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601-612) and thus is exempt from the provisions of that Act.

Paperwork Reduction Act

This notice does not contain reporting or recordkeeping requirements subject to approval by the Office of Management and Budget in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507).

Executive Order 12372

The National School Lunch Program, the School Breakfast Program, the Child and Adult Care Food Program, and the Summer Food Service Program are listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under Nos. 10.555, 10.553, 10.558, and 10.559, respectively, and are subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials (7 CFR part 3015, Subpart V, and the final rule-related notice published at 48 FR 29112, June 24, 1983).

Background

The Food and Consumer Service (FCS), USDA, administers various child nutrition programs including the National School Lunch Program, the School Breakfast Program, the Child and Adult Care Food Program, and the Summer Food Service Program. Program guidance and training materials prepared must be provided to food service personnel and constantly updated in order to improve the quality of the food served and to promote the efficient management of food assistance programs. An integral component of this guidance is laboratory-based yield research on institutional packed foods that are used to prepare meals in conformance with program regulations.

One of the basic program aids prepared by FCS is the "Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs," Program Aid No. 1331 (Food Buying Guide). It is used extensively in several areas related to child nutrition programs:

Food Service Personnel—The Food Buying Guide provides information for planning and calculating the required quantities of food to be purchased and used by school food authorities and other institutions participating in child nutrition programs. It is the cornerstone upon which meals are planned, prepared, and analyzed for meeting food-based meal pattern requirements for each component of a federally reimbursable meal. The Food Buying Guide defines the number of servings (i.e., yield), per purchase unit for most foods used in these programs. These yields are used in recipes to ensure that meal requirements for child nutrition programs are being met. Precise data is essential. In addition, it is an important tool to enable school food authorities using a food-based menu planning system to comply with the Dietary Guidelines for Americans as

required by section 9(f)(1) of the National School Lunch Act, 42 U.S.C. 1758(f)(1).

Child Nutrition (CN) Labeling—The Food Buying Guide is also used in establishing a commercial product's contribution toward meal pattern requirements in the CN label review process. Section 4(d) of the CN labeling regulations found in Appendix C to 7 CFR parts 210, 220, 225, and 226 state, "Yields for determining the product's contribution toward meal pattern requirements must be calculated using the Food Buying Guide for Child Nutrition Programs (Program Aid Number 1331)."

Therefore, the Food Buying Guide is a valuable tool for members of the food industry serving child nutrition programs. Another use of the Food Buying Guide in the CN labeling program is in determining component yields for new products containing foods not listed in the Food Buying Guide. If ingredients are not contained in the Food Buying Guide, they can be compared to similar ingredients in the Food Buying Guide. If a close match can be found, a yield can be assigned to the new product without having to do extensive studies on the product to determine a yield.

Child Nutrition Database—Finally, the Food Buying Guide provides an essential data set in the Child Nutrition Database. This database is required by 7 CFR 210.10(i)(4) and 220.8(e)(4) to be used in USDA-approved software programs for school food authorities using nutrient standard menu planning systems. The database has incorporated the Food Buying Guide so that there is on-line access to yield data, i.e., information for ready-to-serve, ready-to-cook, cooked, or otherwise prepared food that would be obtained from a specific market unit of food as purchased. This food yield data provides the user with information necessary for the "Yield Factor Method" of nutrient analysis of school recipes and menu plans. This is critical for accurate analysis and to enable schools to plan meals that comply with the established nutrient standards for school meals.

The last laboratory research incorporated into the Food Buying Guide was completed in May, 1980. The Food Buying Guide has since received minor revision in 1984, and again in 1990 and 1995. Because food technology and processing have changed so dramatically in the last fifteen years, it is now imperative to update the current edition. USDA has contracted with the U.S. Army's Research, Development, and Engineering Center's Armed Forces Recipe Team in Natick, Massachusetts to conduct new research on the yield of approximately 400 new foods for inclusion in the Food Buying Guide and to review the yield information of 200 foods currently found in the publication. Yield information which will be gathered will be for basic ingredients only, not commercially processed products such as chicken and beef patties or combination items such

as lasagna, chili, or macaroni and cheese, etc.

Methodology

The yield information will be gathered by using various types of cooking and processing equipment. The equipment and cooking procedures commonly used in school food service preparation were determined in a study conducted by the National Food Service Management Institute in March 1996: Issues Related to Equipment and the Dietary Guidelines for Americans. Use of this study will ensure that the resultant yields will be consistent with school food service preparation methods. Careful documentation records will be kept by the contractor concerning the equipment used and the preparation/processing methods employed in using this equipment.

This laboratory-based yield research of institutional packed food will be conducted by the contractor using specified quantities of product. For example, one case of at least two brand name products will be used for the canned fruits and vegetables tested. The remaining items tested, including fresh and frozen fruits and vegetables, meat, poultry, meat alternates, and grain/breads will have between 50 and 100 portions used for the yield study.

Final data will include net weight and volume, drained solids weight and volume, drained liquids weight and volume, and weight/volume ratios for canned fruits and vegetables. Data for meat/poultry will be percent yields based on the state of the materials (frozen, thawed, trimmed, cooked, sliced), with skin, gristle, and bone removed. Factors for fresh fruits and vegetables will address the end-stage of the food (peeled, pared, husked, hulled, cored), as well as weight/volume ratios for diced, cubed, sliced, and chopped; the size of the cut will be specified.

Interested parties may obtain the complete, detailed methodology for any of the food categories (meat/meat alternates, vegetables and fruits, grains/breads, milk/dairy products and other foods) upon written request to FCS at the address in the ADDRESSES section of this notice.

Review of Yield Research Data

The Food and Consumer Service welcomes input from industry and other interested members of the public in the revision of the Food Buying Guide. Modifications to the Food Buying Guide could determine how a company markets their product, develops new products, or it could even cause processing procedures or formulations to change. Because the resultant yield

data will have implications for industry in future marketing and new product development FCS believes it is imperative that interested persons from appropriate industries review the findings as yield research progresses. Rather than waiting until all the yield research is complete and the revised Food Buying Guide developed, FCS will be posting the new yield information on the Healthy School Meals Resource System's web site at <http://schoolmeals.nal.usda.gov:8001> as it becomes available. Therefore, interested parties should periodically review the web site to check for new information. A hard copy of these findings may be obtained by writing to the address contained in the ADDRESSES section of this notice.

FCS encourages all interested parties, especially affected industry representatives, to submit written comments indicating concerns about the preliminary yield data. Any comments disagreeing with the yield findings should include supporting data. Written comments should be sent to FCS at the address in the ADDRESSES section of this notice. FCS will consider all timely comments prior to publishing the final yield data findings.

Yield Research on Specific Items

Interested parties may also submit requests for yield research on specific food items by sending such requests, in writing, to the address listed in the ADDRESSES section of this notice.

Food Buying Guide Revision

Note that the yield information to be published on the web site will be preliminary and will not be incorporated into the Child Nutrition Database nor may it be relied upon for CN Labeling or meal planning purposes until finally announced at the time the Food Buying Guide revisions are made. The Food and Consumer Service does not expect to finalize the final yield data until late 1998. The final Food Buying Guide is expected to be printed and distributed by the Spring of 1999. It will be distributed in printed copy to all school food authorities and other institutions participating in the child nutrition programs. Printed copies will be made available for sale. It will also be made available on the Internet.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 1751-1760, 1779.

Dated: July 9, 1997.

William E. Ludwig,

Administrator, Food and Consumer Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

[MT-962-1430-00-CCAM]

Notice of Availability for the Proposed Cooke City Area Mineral Withdrawal Final Environmental Impact Statement; Montana

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior; Forest Service, Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This Notice of Availability is issued by the Bureau of Land Management, Interior, and the Forest Service, Agriculture, as the joint lead agency. The final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) documents the effects of withdrawing from federal mineral location and entry up to 22,000 acres of federal mineral estate near Cooke City, Montana. The proposed mineral withdrawal would also apply to hardrock minerals acquired by the United States and managed as leasable minerals. The proposed mineral withdrawal would be subject to review after 20 years. Forest plans for the Custer and Gallatin National Forests would be amended to reflect the intent of the mineral withdrawal.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Thompson, BLM Co-Lead, or Larry Timchak, FS Co-Lead, CCAM, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana, 59107-6800, (406) 255-0322.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This EIS analyzes the environmental consequences of implementing two alternatives. The proposed withdrawal of federal locatable minerals would not allow new mining claims to be filed on federal lands in the area. Unpatented mining claims with valid existing rights and private lands would not be affected. The no action alternative (No Mineral Withdrawal) provides a baseline for comparison. This alternative would continue the management that existed prior to September 1, 1995. The Secretary of the Interior is the responsible official for the decision on a mineral withdrawal. Concurrence on a withdrawal decision by the Secretary of Agriculture is required because the lands under consideration for withdrawal are administered by the Forest Service, USDA. If a mineral withdrawal is approved, the Secretary of Agriculture is the responsible official for the Custer and Gallatin National Forest Plan amendment decisions.

DATES: A decision on the mineral withdrawal is anticipated in mid- to late August 1997.

Dated: June 23, 1997.

Thomas P. Lonnie,

Deputy State Director, Division of Resources, Bureau of Land Management.

Kathleen A. McAllister,

Deputy Regional Forester, USFS Northern Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-421-805]

Aramid Fiber Formed of Poly Para-Phenylene Terephthalamide From the Netherlands; Final Results of Antidumping Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of final results of the antidumping duty administrative review; Aramid Fiber formed of poly para-phenylene terephthalamide from the Netherlands.

SUMMARY: On March 7, 1997, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the preliminary results of its administrative review of the antidumping duty order on aramid fiber formed of poly para-phenylene terephthalamide (PPD-T aramid) from the Netherlands. The review covers one manufacturer/exporter and the period June 1, 1995 through May 31, 1996. We gave interested parties an opportunity to comment on our preliminary results. Based on our analysis of the comments received, we have revised the results from those presented in the preliminary results of review.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 16, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nithya Nagarajan at (202) 482-0193, Eugenia Chu at (202) 482-3964, or Ellen Knebel at (202) 482-0409, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230.

Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act of 1930 (the Act) by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all references to the