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All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: August 13, 1998.

Christopher A. McLean,

Deputy Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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

ACTION: Proposed Collection; Comment Request.

SUMMARY: The Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on requirements relating to the initial certification of nonprofit agencies serving people who are blind (Form 401) and to the annual certification of nonprofit agencies serving people with severe disabilities (Form 404).

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before October 20, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to: Daniel Werfel, Desk Officer for the Committee for Purchase, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, N.W., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. Requests for information, including copies of the form and supporting documentation, should be directed to: Beverly L. Milkman,

Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Gateway 3, Suite 310, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202-4302, (703) 603-7740.

Title: Initial Certification-Qualified Nonprofit Agency Serving People Who Are Blind (Form 401).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee has an initial certification form for nonprofit agencies serving people who are blind. The information included on the form is required to ensure that nonprofit agencies seeking to participate in the Committee's program meet the requirements of 41 U.S.C. 46-48c.

TITLE: Annual Certification-Qualified Nonprofit Agency Serving People with Severe Disabilities (Form 404).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee has an annual certification form for nonprofit agencies serving people who have severe disabilities. The information included on the form is required to ensure that nonprofit agencies participating in the Committee's program meet the requirements of 41 U.S.C. 46-48c.

Dated: August 14, 1998.

G. John Heyer,

General Counsel.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Additions and Deletions

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

ACTION: Proposed Additions to and Deletions from Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee has received proposals to add to the Procurement List services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and to delete commodities previously furnished by such agencies.

COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE: September 21, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Gateway 3, Suite 310, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-4302.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman (703) 603-7740.

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 possible impact of the proposed actions.

Additions

If the Committee approves the proposed addition, all entities of the Federal Government (except as otherwise indicated) will be required to procure the services listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities. 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 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. The action does not appear to have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the services.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the services to the Government.

4. 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. Commenters should identify the statement(s) underlying the certification on which they are providing additional information.

The following services have been proposed for addition to Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

Base Supply Center, 934th Airlift Wing ARS, Minneapolis, Minnesota

NPA: Associated Industries for the Blind, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Base Supply Center, Naval Air Station, Meridian, Mississippi

NPA: Mississippi Industries for the Blind, Jackson, Mississippi

Grounds Maintenance

U.S. Post Office, Linda Vista Station, 6882

Linda Vista Road, San Diego, California

NPA: Job Options, Inc. San Diego, California

Grounds Maintenance

U.S. Post Office, Mission Gorge Station, 4740

Mission Gorge Place, San Diego, California

NPA: Job Options, Inc., San Diego, California

Janitorial/Custodial

Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, 501 5th Street, Sacramento, California

NPA: Crossroads Rehabilitation Systems, Inc. Sacramento, California

Janitorial/Custodial

Ronald Reagan Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, 411 W Fourth Street, Santa Ana, California

NPA: Goodwill Industries of Orange County, Santa Ana, California

Janitorial/Custodial

Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Center, 101 Base Avenue, Battle Creek, Michigan

NPA: Calhoun County Community Mental Health Services Board Battle Creek, Michigan

Janitorial/Custodial

Social Security Administration Building, 517 N. Barry Street, Olean, New York

NPA: Cattaraugus County Chapter, NYSARC, Olean, New York

Operation of Postal Service Center and Base Information Transfer Services Basewide, Brooks Air Force Base, Texas

NPA: Goodwill Industries of San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas

Deletions

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 will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities.

2. The action does not appear to have a severe economic impact on future contractors for the commodities.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodities to the Government.

4. 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 commodities proposed for deletion from the Procurement List.

The following commodities have been proposed for deletion from the Procurement List:

*Commodities**Bag, Parts*

8105-LL-B00-9974
8105-LL-B00-0210
8105-LL-B00-9975
8105-LL-B00-0209
8105-LL-B00-0208

G. John Heyer,

General Counsel.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED**Procurement List; Additions and Deletions**

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

ACTION: Additions to and Deletions from the Procurement List.

SUMMARY: This action adds to the Procurement List commodities and services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and deletes from the Procurement List commodities and services previously furnished by such agencies.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 21, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Gateway 3, Suite 310, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-4302.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman (703) 603-7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On April 24, June 12 and 26, July 2 and 10, 1998, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notices (63 F.R. 20377, 32190, 34848, 36211, 36212 and 37317) of proposed additions to and deletions from the Procurement List:

Additions

The following comments pertain to Cushion, Seat Back:

Comments were received from the current contractor for this cushion, who stated that Government contracts for this type of product were essential to the firm's survival. The contractor claimed that addition of the cushion to the Procurement List is in direct conflict with other State and Federal programs that are assisting the company. The contractor did not identify those programs.

Federal sales of this cushion are only a very small percentage of the contractor's total sales. The Committee does not consider losses at this level to constitute severe adverse impact on a contractor. As for the other State and Federal programs the contractor mentioned, the Committee is not aware of any which bar the Committee from adding commodities and services to the Procurement List to create employment for people with severe disabilities.

After consideration of the material presented to it concerning capability of qualified nonprofit agencies to provide the commodities and services and impact of the additions on the current

or most recent contractors, the Committee has determined that the commodities and services listed below are suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

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

2. The action will not have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the commodities and services.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodities and services to the Government.

4. 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 commodities and services proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Accordingly, the following commodities and services are hereby added to the Procurement List:

Commodities

Cushion, Seat Back
2540-01-314-7834
Carbon-Removing Compound
6850-00-965-2332
6850-00-281-3042

*Services**Administrative Services*

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA),
Economic Research Service (ERS), 1031
New York Avenue, N.W., Washington,
DC

Grounds Maintenance

USARC, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

Janitorial/Custodial

Fort McHenry National Monument and
Historic Shrine, Hampton National
Historic Site, Baltimore, Maryland

Janitorial/Custodial

USARC, Building 3392, Myrtle Beach, South
Carolina

Janitorial/Custodial

Pentagon Building, 3rd and 4th Floor,
Arlington, Virginia

Laundry Service

Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana

Litter Pickup

Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland