**TABLE TO § 165.171—Continued**

- **Sponsor:** Christopher Lizzaraque
- **Date:** A one day event in September
- **Time (Approximate):** 9:00 am to 3 pm
- **Location:** Essex Begg's Point Park, Essex, NY, to Charlotte Beach, Charlotte, VT.
  44°18′32″ N, 073°20′52″ W.
  44°20′03″ N, 073°16′53″ W.

*Dated: January 29, 2015.*

**B. S. Gilda,**
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port, Northern New England.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION**

**NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

48 CFR Part 25

[FAR Case 2015–001; Docket No. 2015–0001; Sequence No. 1]

**RIN 9000–AM88**

Federal Acquisition Regulation; List of Domestically Nonavailable Articles

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Advance notice of proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** DoD, GSA, and NASA are considering amending the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) to update the list of domestically nonavailable articles under the Buy American Act. DoD, GSA, and NASA are seeking information that will assist in identifying domestic capabilities and for evaluating whether some articles on the list of domestically nonavailable articles are now mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities and of a satisfactory quality.

**DATES:** Interested parties should submit written comments to the Regulatory Secretariat at one of the addressees shown below on or before May 26, 2015 to be considered in the formulation of a proposed rule.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments in response to FAR Case 2015–001 by any of the following methods:

- Select the link “Comment Now” that corresponds with “FAR Case 2015–001”. Follow the instructions provided at the “Comment Now” screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and “FAR Case 2015–001” on your attached document.
  - **Fax:** 202–501–4067.
  - **Mail:** General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (MVCB), ATTN: Ms. Flowers, 1800 F Street NW., 2nd Floor, Washington, DC 20405–0001.

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Please submit comments only and cite FAR Case 2015–001 in all correspondence related to this case. All comments received will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Cecelia L. Davis, Procurement Analyst, at 202–219–0202, for clarification of content. For information pertaining to status or publication schedules, contact the Regulatory Secretariat at 202–501–4755. Please cite FAR Case 2015–001.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

A. The Buy American statute (41 U.S.C. chapter 83) generally requires that only domestically mined, produced, or manufactured articles be procured for public use in the United States. The Buy American statute provides an exception for articles not mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities and of a satisfactory quality. FAR 25.103(b)(1) provides a determination that articles listed at FAR 25.104(a) meet the conditions of this exception. This determination does not necessarily mean that there is no domestic source for the listed items, but that domestic sources can only meet 50 percent or less of total U.S. Government and nongovernment demand.

The established list of articles identified in FAR 25.104(a) is a comprehensive and wide-ranging mix of natural resources, compounds, materials, and other items of supply. Although some articles on the list have no known domestic production sources (e.g., vanilla beans), many of the articles are known to have some domestic production sources, but those sources have been determined in the past to be inadequate to meet U.S. demand.

Examples of such articles range from goat and kidskins (negligible domestic production), to crude iodine (5 percent of U.S. Government and nongovernment demand), to bismuth (not in excess of 50 percent of U.S. Government and nongovernment demand).

The list is reviewed every five years, as required by FAR 25.104(b). DoD, GSA, and NASA last published in the Federal Register a request for public comment on the list on August 7, 2009 (74 FR 39597).

The Councils are seeking information to determine whether some articles should be removed from the list because they are now mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities and of a satisfactory quality. Specific information with regard to domestic production capacity in relation to U.S. Government and nongovernment demand and the quality of domestically produced items would be most helpful in determining whether articles should remain on or be removed from the list.

A sources-sought notice will be published in FedBizOpps in an effort to increase the awareness of this request and to receive greater responses from interested parties on the nonavailable articles listing.

B. The current domestically nonavailable listing at FAR 25.104 is as follow:

- Acetylene, black.
- Agar, bulk.
- Anise.
- Antimony, as metal or oxide.
- Asbestos, amosite, chrysotile, and crocidolite.
- Bamboo shoots.
- Bananas.
- Bauxite.
- Beef, corned, canned.
- Beef extract.
- Bephenium hydroxynaphthoate.
B. Executive Order 12866 and 13563

Executive Orders (E.O.s) 12866 and 13563 direct agencies to assess all costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits (including potential economic, environmental, public health and safety effects, distributive impacts, and equity). E.O. 13563 emphasizes the importance of quantifying both costs and benefits of reducing costs, of harmonizing rules, and of promoting flexibility. This is not a significant regulatory action and, therefore, was not subject to review under Section 6(b) of E.O. 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, dated September 30, 1993. This rule is not a major rule under 5 U.S.C. 804.

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Government procurement.

Dated: March 19, 2015.

William Clark,

Director, Office of Government-wide Acquisition Policy, Office of Acquisition Policy, Office of Government-wide Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

50 CFR Part 17


RIN 1018–AZ74

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Proposed Rule To Amend the Listing of the Southern Selkirk Mountains Population of Woodland Caribou

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the reopening of the public comment period on our May 8, 2014, proposed rule to amend the listing of the southern Selkirk Mountains population of woodland caribou (Rangifer tarandus caribou) to the Southern Mountain caribou distinct population segment (DPS). The southern Selkirk Mountains population of woodland caribou is currently listed as endangered under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). On May 8, 2014, we proposed to list the Southern Mountain caribou DPS as threatened under the Act. This reopening of comment period will provide all interested parties with an opportunity to review additional scientific information and provide comment on the status of the Southern Mountain caribou DPS. Information

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