Secretary selected the members in August 2014. Interested persons may present views, orally or in writing, on issues relating to agenda topics before the CNAFR.

Written submissions may be submitted to the contact person on or before September 15th, 2015. Oral presentations from the public will be heard between approximately 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. on September 22nd, 2015. Those individuals interested in making formal oral presentations should notify the contact person and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the issue they wish to present and the names and addresses of proposed participants by September 15th, 2015. All oral presentations will be given three (3) to five (5) minutes depending on the number of participants.

The OTR will also make all agenda topics available to the public via the OTR Web site: http://www.usda.gov/tribalrelations no later than 10 business days before the meeting and at the meeting. In addition, the minutes from the meeting will be posted on the OTR Web site. OTR welcomes the attendance of the public at the CNAFR meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Dana Richey, at least 10 business days in advance of the meeting.

Leslie Wheelock,
Director, Office of Tribal Relations.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS–2015–0056]

International Trade Data System Test Concerning the Electronic Submission to the Automated Commercial Environment of the Lacey Act Import Declaration Form Using the Partner Government Agency Message Set

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: We are announcing that U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) have developed a pilot plan to test and assess the International Trade Data System for the electronic submission of Lacey Act import declaration data. The pilot test will use the APHIS Partner Government Agency (PGA) Message Set and the Automated Broker Interface to transmit, and the Automated Commercial Environment to process, trade data required by the Lacey Act for the importation of plant and paper products. Under this test, PGA Message Set data may be submitted only for Lacey Act import declarations filed at certain ports.

DATES: Comments will be accepted through the duration of the test. The test will commence no earlier than August 6, 2015, and will continue until concluded by publication of a notice ending the test. Participants should consult http://www.cbp.gov/document/guidance/list-aceitds-pga-message-set-pilot-ports to determine which ports are operational and the date they become operational.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by the following methods:


• Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery: Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS–2015–0056, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A–03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737–1238.

• Email: Send your comment to Ms. Josephine Baiamonte, ACE Business Office, Office of International Trade, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, DHS, 1400 L Street NW., 2nd floor, Washington, DC 20229–1225 at josephine.baiamonte@cbp.dhs.gov. In the subject line of the email, please indicate, “Comment on PGA Message Set Test FRN.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For technical questions related to the Automated Commercial Environment or Automated Broker Interface transmissions, contact your assigned CBP client representative. Interested parties without an assigned client representative should direct their questions to Mr. Steven Zaccaro U.S. Customs and Border Protection, DHS, 1400 L Street NW., 2nd floor, Washington, DC 20229–1225; steven.j.zaccaro@cbp.dhs.gov.

For PGA-related questions, contact Ms. Emi Wallace (CBP), U.S. Customs and Border Protection, DHS, 1400 L Street NW., 2nd floor, Washington, DC 20229–1225; emi.r.wallace@cbp.dhs.gov.

For Lacey Act-related questions, contact Ms. Parul Patel, Senior Agriculturalist, Regulations, Permits, and Manuals, PPQ, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 2370, Riverdale, MD 20737–1231; 301–851–2351; Parul.R.Patel@aphis.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

I. The National Customs Automation Program

The National Customs Automation Program (NCAP) was established in Subtitle B of Title VI—Customs Modernization, in the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (Pub. L. 103–182, 107 Stat. 2057, 2170, December 8, 1993; see 19 U.S.C. 1411). Through NCAP, the initial thrust of customs modernization was on trade compliance and the development of the Automated Commercial Environment (ACE), the planned successor to the Automated Commercial System (ACS). ACE is an automated and electronic system for commercial trade processing intended to streamline business processes, facilitate growth in trade, ensure cargo security, and foster participation in global commerce, while ensuring compliance with U.S. laws and regulations and reducing costs for U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and all of its communities of interest.

The ability to meet these objectives depends on successfully modernizing CBP’s business functions and the information technology that supports those functions.

CBP’s modernization efforts are accomplished through phased releases of ACE component functionality designed to replace specific legacy ACS functions or test new automated procedures. Each release will begin with a test and will end with mandatory use of the new ACE feature and, where applicable, the retirement of the corresponding legacy ACS function. Each release builds on previous releases and sets the foundation for subsequent releases.

The Automated Broker Interface (ABI) allows participants to electronically file required import data with CBP and transfers that data into ACE.

International Trade Data System

This test is in furtherance of the International Trade Data System (ITDS), which is authorized by section 405 of the Security and Accountability For Every Port Act of 2006 (SAFE Port Act, Pub. L. 109–347). The purpose of ITDS, as defined by section 405 of the SAFE Port Act, is to eliminate redundant information filing requirements, efficiently regulate the flow of commerce, and effectively enforce laws and regulations relating to international trade, by establishing a single portal system, operated by CBP, for the collection and distribution of standard electronic import and export data.
required by all participating Federal agencies.

II. Partner Government Agency Message Set

The Partner Government Agency (PGA) Message Set is the data needed to satisfy the PGA reporting requirements. For purposes of this test, the subject PGA is the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS). ACE enables the message set by acting as the "single window" for the submission of trade-related data required by the PGA only once to CBP. This data must be submitted at any time prior to the arrival of the merchandise on the conveyance transporting the cargo to the United States as part of an ACE Entry/ Cargo Release or Entry Summary. The data will be validated and made available to the relevant PGAs involved in import, export, and transportation-related decisionmaking. The data will be used to fulfill merchandise entry and entry summary requirements. Also, by virtue of the electronic, the PGA Message Set will eliminate the necessity for the submission and subsequent handling of paper documents. All PGA Message Set participants are required to use a software program that has completed ACE certification testing for the PGA Message Set.

Test participants may not use the Document Imaging System (DIS) to transmit Lacey Act Plant and Plant Product Declaration (PPQ Form 505 and 505B Supplemental Form) data required by APHIS. For information regarding the use of DIS and for a list of PGA forms and documents which may be transmitted to ACE using DIS, please visit the DIS tab at: http://www.cbp.gov/trade/ace/features.

Upon initiation of this test, CBP will accept electronically for ACE processing Lacey Act import declarations filed at specified ports through the ABI. These data elements are those submitted in ACS or with APHIS using the Lacey Act Web Governance System (LAWGS) or via the PPQ 505 Plant and Plant Product Declaration Form and 505B Supplemental Form, which are currently handled as paper communication with APHIS. These data elements are set forth in the supplemental Customs and Trade Automated Interface Requirements (CATAIR) guidelines for APHIS. These technical specifications, including the CATAIR chapters can be found online at http://www.cbp.gov/trade/ace/catair.

CBP intends to expand ACE to cover all entry types. CBP will publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing the expansion. In addition, CBP will make the announcement on its Web site and will reach out to entry filers via the Cargo Systems Messaging Service (CSMS). Trade members may subscribe to CSMS to receive email notifications from CBP regarding important information. For information about subscribing to CSMS, please go to: http://apps.cbp.gov/csms/csms.asp?display_page=1.

Once CBP announces that ACE is required for all import entry types, parties in this test may transmit PGA data to ACE using the PGA data message set for all entry types. The entry filing at the pilot project ports will continue until the pilot project is completed or when participation is ended.

Participants should consult the CBP Web site to determine which ports are operational for the test and the date that they become operational: http://www.cbp.gov/document/guidance/list-aceitds-pga-message-set-pilot-ports. Test participants and interested parties should continue to consult the CBP Web site for changes to the list of ports where APHIS PGA Message Set data is required. Test participants must use a software program that has completed ACE certification testing for the PGA Message Set.

III. The APHIS Test

APHIS participation in this test is currently limited to the import declaration required for plants and plant products under Section 3 of the Lacey Act (16 U.S.C. 3371 et seq.). Expansion of this test to include other APHIS programs will be announced in future notices. Under this test, APHIS required data will be transmitted electronically to ACE using the PGA Message Set for any commodities that must be declared under the 2008 amendments to the Lacey Act. The Lacey Act Plant and Plant Product Declaration (PPQ Form 505 and 505B Supplemental Form) may not be submitted through DIS. Information about submission of the forms can be found on the APHIS Web site at https://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/lacey_act/index.shtml. This test will cover all modes of transport at the selected port(s), and all plants and products subject to the Lacey Act import declaration when imported at one of the selected ports. When the plant or plant product is not on the enforcement schedule, participants must use the appropriate Lacey Act disclaimer code in place of the import declaration.

The import filing process for APHIS will require the submission of specifically designated information. The designated PGA Message Set will be used to collect the specified information that is required by APHIS. The PGA Message Set data will be submitted to ACE system through the use of the ABI at the time of the entry filing in addition to the CBP required import Entry or Entry Summary data. Examples of the kind of data that will be submitted as part of the PGA Message set are: The scientific name of the plant, value of the importation, quantity of the plant, and name of the country from which the plant was harvested.

The test is scheduled to commence on August 6, 2015, or later. Any party seeking to participate in this test must provide to APHIS, in its request to participate, the name of its organization, its point of contact for the pilot, and contact information (phone number and email address). Submit your request to participate in this test by sending an email to the Lacey Act Program at lacey.act.declaration@aphis.usda.gov.

In the subject line, please indicate, “Request to Participate in PGA Message Set Test.” At this time, PGA Message Set data may be submitted only for entries filed at certain ports. A current listing of those ports may be found on the CBP Web site at http://www.cbp.gov/document/guidance/list-aceitds-pga-message-set-pilot-ports.

For information regarding merchandise regulated by APHIS and data, information, forms, and comments required by APHIS, see the implementation guidelines for the 2008 amendments to the Lacey Act at: https://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/lacey_act/index.shtml.

This test covers communication and coordination among the agencies and the filers of data through the PGA Message Set for the importation of these plants and plant products. Entry data submissions will be subject to validation edits and any applicable PGA business rules programmed into ACE. Once all of the PGAs have concluded their review of the shipment, issued a “May Proceed” and have unset any remaining holds, CBP will send a single U.S. Government release message to the filer indicating that CBP has conditionally released the goods.

IV. Confidentiality

All data submitted and entered into ACE is subject to the Trade Secrets Act (18 U.S.C. 1905) and is considered confidential, except to the extent otherwise provided by law. Participation in this test is not confidential and upon a written Freedom of Information Act request, the name(s) of an approved participant(s) will be disclosed by CBP in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552.
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Forest Service

Hood-Willamette Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Hood-Willamette Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet in Salem Oregon. The committee is authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (the Act) and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The purpose of the committee is to improve collaborative relationships and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service concerning projects and funding consistent with Title II of the Act. Additional RAC information, including the meeting agenda and the meeting summary/minutes can be found at the following Web site: http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/willamette/workingtogether/advisorycommittees/?cid=STELPRDB504843.

DATES: The meeting will be held on August 27, 2015, beginning at 10 a.m.

All RAC meetings are subject to cancellation. For status of meeting prior to attendance, please contact the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Salem Bureau of Land Management Office, 1717 Fabry Road Southeast, Salem, Oregon. The meeting will be held in the lobby level conference room to the left of the front desk.

Written comments may be submitted as described under SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION. All comments, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at Salem Oregon. Please call ahead to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kent Wellner, RAC Designated Federal Officer, by phone at 541–225–6301 or via email at kwellner@fe.fed.us.

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the meeting is to:

1. Reintroduce all the RAC members to one another;
2. Review the rules and regulations surrounding the Secure Rural School Title II process; and
3. Make decisions on proposals submitted for FY2015 Title II funds.

The meeting is open to the public. The agenda will include time for people to make oral statements of three minutes or less. Individuals wishing to make an oral statement should request in writing before or after the meeting. Written comments and requests for time for oral comments must be sent to Kent Wellner, Designated Federal Officer, 3106 Pierce Parkway, Suite D, Springfield, Oregon, 97477; or by email to kwellner@fs.fed.us, or via facsimile to 541–225–6228.

Meeting Accommodations: If you are a person requiring reasonable accommodation, please make requests in advance for sign language interpreting, assistive listening devices or other reasonable accommodation for access to the facility or proceedings by contacting the person listed in the section titled FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT. All reasonable accommodation requests are managed on a case by case basis.

Dated: July 31, 2015.

Tracy Beck, Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

Notice of Petitions by Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice and opportunity for public comment.

Pursuant to Section 251 of the Trade Act 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2341 et seq.), the Economic Development Administration (EDA) has received petitions for certification of eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance from the firms listed below. Accordingly, EDA has initiated investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each of these firms contributed importantly to the total or partial separation of the firm’s workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.

LIST OF PETITIONS RECEIVED BY EDA FOR CERTIFICATION ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY FOR TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE

7/8/2015 through 7/30/2015

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<td>Tacony Manufacturing</td>
<td>#3 Industrial Drive, St. James, MO 65559.</td>
<td>7/21/2015</td>
<td>The firm manufactures home floor care product vacuum cleaners.</td>
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<td>Peripheral Visions, Inc</td>
<td>500 26th Street Northeast, Auburn, WA 98002.</td>
<td>7/21/2015</td>
<td>The firm manufactures parts for clinical analyzer instruments.</td>
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<td>PDI Communication Systems, Inc.</td>
<td>40 Greenwood Lane, Springboro, OH 45066.</td>
<td>7/22/2015</td>
<td>The firm manufactures hospital television (TV) and liquid crystal display TV monitors.</td>
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Any party having a substantial interest in these proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter.

A written request for a hearing must be submitted to the Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms Division, Room 71030, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, no