

applicant's challenge to official notice are discussed in MPEP § 2144.03.

B. Evaluating Applicant's Response: If an applicant challenges the examiner's position that the additional element(s) is well-understood, routine, conventional activity, the examiner should reevaluate whether it is readily apparent that the additional elements are in actuality well-understood, routine, conventional activities to those who work in the relevant field. If the examiner has taken official notice per paragraph (4) of section (III)(A) above that an element(s) is well-understood, routine, conventional activity, and the applicant challenges the examiner's position, specifically stating that such element(s) is not well-understood, routine, conventional activity, the examiner must then provide one of the items discussed in paragraphs (1) through (3) of section (III)(A) above, or an affidavit or declaration under 37 CFR 1.104(d)(2) setting forth specific factual statements and explanation to support his or her position. As discussed previously, to represent well-understood, routine, conventional activity, the additional elements must be widely prevalent or in common use in the relevant field, comparable to the types of activity or elements that are so well-known that they do not need to be described in detail in a patent application to satisfy 35 U.S.C. 112(a).

The MPEP will be updated in due course to incorporate the changes put into effect the *Berkheimer* memorandum.

As discussed previously, the *Berkheimer* memorandum is available to the public on the USPTO's internet website. The USPTO is seeking public comment on its subject matter eligibility guidance, and particularly its guidance in the *Berkheimer* memorandum.

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Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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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 the Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee is proposing to add a product and services to the Procurement List that will be furnished by the nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and deletes products and services previously furnished by such agencies.

DATES: *Comments must be received on or before:* May 20, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, 1401 S. Clark Street, Suite 715, Arlington, Virginia, 22202-4149.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information or to submit comments contact: Amy B. Jensen, Telephone: (703) 603-7740, Fax: (703) 603-0655, or email CMTEFedReg@AbilityOne.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 8503 (a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the proposed actions.

Additions

If the Committee approves the proposed additions, the entities of the Federal Government identified in this notice will be required to procure the product and services listed below from the nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

The following product and services are proposed for addition to the Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

Product

NSN—Product Name: 6220-01-266-1651—Spotlight, .52 AMPS 28V BA15S bulb, yellow/white output, HMMWV

Mandatory Source of Supply: Cincinnati Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Cincinnati, OH

Mandatory for: 100% of the requirement of the Department of Defense

Contracting Activity: Defense Commissary Agency

Distribution: C-List

Services

Service Types: Furniture Design, Configuration and Installation Service Sourcing, Warehousing, Assembly and Kitting Service Tool & MRO Sourcing and Fulfillment Service

Mandatory for: USPF0 Connecticut, National Guard Bureau, National Guard Armory, 360 Broad Street, Hartford, CT

Mandatory Source of Supply: Industries for the Blind, Inc., West Allis, WI

Contracting Activity: United States Property and Fiscal Office (USPF0), Connecticut National Guard, ANGB, CT

Deletions

The following products and services are proposed for deletion from the Procurement List:

Products

NSN(s)—Product Name(s):

8410-01-466-4892—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 16JS
 8410-01-466-4905—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 12MS
 8410-01-466-4906—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 14MS
 8410-01-466-4912—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 18MR
 8410-01-466-4914—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 8ML
 8410-01-466-4915—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 12ML
 8410-01-466-4926—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 14WS
 8410-01-466-4930—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 12WR
 8410-01-466-4935—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 12WL
 8410-01-466-6326—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 4JR
 8410-01-466-6332—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 6JS
 8410-01-466-6485—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 8JL
 8410-01-466-6486—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 4MS
 8410-01-466-8155—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 10JS
 8410-01-466-8157—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 12JS
 8410-01-466-8161—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 18JS
 8410-01-466-8172—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 18JL
 8410-01-466-8176—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 16MS
 8410-01-466-8195—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 18ML
 8410-01-466-8197—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 20ML
 8410-01-466-8199—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 16WS
 8410-01-466-8203—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 18WL
 8410-01-466-8207—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 20WL
 8410-01-466-8211—Slacks, Dress, Coast Guard, Women's, Blue, 22WL

Mandatory Source of Supply: VGS, Inc., Cleveland, OH

Contracting Activity: Defense Logistics Agency Troop Support

Services

Service Type: Food Service and Food Service Attendant

Mandatory for: Fort Hood: Postwide, Fort Hood, TX

Mandatory Source of Supply: Unknown

Contracting Activity: Dept of the Army, W40M NORTHERREGION Contract Ofc

Service Type: Janitorial/Custodial Service

Mandatory for: Naval & Marine Corps Readiness Reserve Center, Providence, RI

Mandatory Source of Supply: The Fogarty Center, North Providence, RI

Contracting Activity: Dept of the Navy, Navy Crane Center

Service Type: Janitorial/Custodial Service

Mandatory for: Des Moines International

Airport: Air National Guard Base
Moines, IA

Mandatory Source of Supply: Goodwill
Solutions, Inc., Johnston, IA

Contracting Activity: Dept of the Air Force,
FA7014 AFDW PK

Service Type: Repair of Strap, Air Cargo
(1670-00-725-1437) Service

Mandatory for: Robins Air Force Base, Robins
AFB, GA

Mandatory Source of Supply: Houston
County Association for Exceptional
Citizens, Inc., Warner Robins, GA

Contracting Activity: Dept of the Air Force,
FA8501 AFSC PZIO

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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 products to
the Procurement List that will be
furnished by a nonprofit agency
employing persons who are blind or
have other severe disabilities, and
deletes products and service from the
Procurement List previously furnished
by such agencies.

DATES: *Date added to and deleted from
the Procurement List:* May 20, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase
From People Who Are Blind or Severely
Disabled, 1401 S. Clark Street, Suite
715, Arlington, Virginia, 22202-4149.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Additions

On 3/16/2018 (83 FR 52), the
Committee for Purchase From People
Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled
published notice of proposed additions
to the Procurement List.

After consideration of the material
presented to it concerning capability of
a qualified nonprofit agency to provide
the products and impact of the addition
on the current or most recent
contractors, the Committee has
determined that the products listed
below are suitable for procurement by

the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C.
8501-8506 and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

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
organization that will furnish the
products to the Government.

2. The action will result in
authorizing a small entity to furnish the
products to the Government.

3. There are no known regulatory
alternatives which would accomplish
the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-
O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 8501-8506) in
connection with the products proposed
for addition to the Procurement List.

End of Certification

Accordingly, the following products
are added to the Procurement List:

Product

NSN(s)—Product Name(s):

MR 3200-3599—Perimeter Merchandising
Program, Hair Care Products, MR Series
3200-3599

Mandatory Source of Supply: Association for
Vision Rehabilitation and Employment,
Inc., Binghamton, NY

Mandatory for: The requirements of military
commissaries and exchanges in
accordance with the Code of Federal
Regulations, 41 CFR 51-6.4.

Contracting Activity: Defense Commissary
Agency

Distribution: C-List

Deletions

On 3/2/2018 (83 FR 42), 3/9/2018 (83
FR 47), and 3/16/2018 (83 FR 52), the
Committee for Purchase From People
Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled
published notices of proposed deletions
from the Procurement List.

After consideration of the relevant
matter presented, the Committee has
determined that the products and
service listed below are no longer
suitable for procurement by the Federal
Government under 41 U.S.C. 8501-8506
and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

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
additional reporting, recordkeeping or
other compliance requirements for small
entities.

2. The action may result in
authorizing small entities to furnish the
products and service to the Government.

3. There are no known regulatory
alternatives which would accomplish
the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-
O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 8501-8506) in
connection with the products and
service deleted from the Procurement
List.

End of Certification

Accordingly, the following products
and service are deleted from the
Procurement List:

Products

NSN(s)—Product Name(s):

7520-01-483-8900—Paper Cutter, Rotary,
Wood Base, Gray, 28.5" Cutting Length

7520-01-483-8901—Paper Cutter, Rotary,
Wood Base, Gray, 37.5" Cutting Length

7520-01-483-8902—Paper Cutter, Rotary,
Metal Base, Gray, 18" Cutting Length

7520-01-483-8904—Paper Cutter, Rotary,
Metal Base, Blue, 12" Cutting Length

Mandatory Source of Supply: The Lighthouse
for the Blind, Inc. (Seattle Lighthouse),
Seattle, WA

Contracting Activity: General Services
Administration, New York, NY

NSN(s)—Product Name(s): 8405-01-375-
8999—Cap, Garrison, Air Force, Men's,
Blue, 7/8

Mandatory Source of Supply: Goodwill
Industries of South Florida, Inc., Miami,
FL

Contracting Activity: Defense Logistics
Agency Troop Support

NSN(s)—Product Name(s):

8415-01-476-6346—Shirt, Underwear,
Lightweight, SPEAR, Army, Black, LL

8415-01-476-6350—Shirt, Underwear,
Lightweight, SPEAR, Army, Black, MR

8415-01-476-6359—Shirt, Underwear,
Lightweight, SPEAR, Army, Green, MR

8415-01-476-6555—Shirt, Underwear,
Lightweight, SPEAR, Army, Black, SR

8415-01-476-6556—Shirt, Underwear,
Lightweight, SPEAR, Army, Black, XLL

8415-01-476-6557—Shirt, Underwear,
Lightweight, SPEAR, Army, Black, XLR

Mandatory Source of Supply: Peckham
Vocational Industries, Inc., Lansing, MI

Contracting Activity: Army Contracting
Command—Aberdeen Proving Ground,
Natick Contracting Division

Service

Service Type: Custodial/Grounds Maint/
Refuse Removal/Snow Removal Service

Mandatory for: Naval Operations Support
Center:

1089 E. Ninth Street, Cleveland, OH
800 Dan Street, Akron, OH

Mandatory Source of Supply: VGS, Inc.,
Cleveland, OH

Contracting Activity: Dept of the Navy, Naval
FAC Engineering CMD MIDWEST

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