

The federal Forest Service is the lead agency for preparing this EIS. They will consult with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service when making this decision. The responsible official who will make the decision regarding snowmobile use in Management Area 11 lands is Deborah L. R. Austin, Forest Supervisor, Lolo National Forest, Building 24, Fort Missoula, Missoula MT 59804. She will decide on this proposal after considering comments, responses, environmental consequences, applicable laws, regulations, and policies. The decision and rationale for the decision will be documented in a Record of Decision.

The draft EIS is expected to be filed with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and available for public review in September 2000. At that time, the EPA will publish a Notice of Availability of the Draft EIS in the **Federal Register**. The comment period on the Draft EIS will be 45 days from the date of the EPA's notice of availability in the **Federal Register**. The final EIS is scheduled to be completed by October 2000. The comment period on the draft environmental impact statement will be 45 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency published the Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**.

The Forest Service believes it is important to give reviewers notice at this early stage of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of draft environmental impact statements must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the draft environmental impact statement stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final environmental impact statement may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the 45-day comment period so that substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final environmental impact statement.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft environmental

impact statement should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft environmental impact statement or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. (Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.)

Dated: February 17, 2000.

**Deborah L.R. Austin,**

*Forest Supervisor, Lolo National Forest.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Natural Resources Conservation Service

#### Notice of Proposed Changes to Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) of the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Wisconsin

**AGENCY:** Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Wisconsin, US Department of Agriculture.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of a proposed change in Section IV of the FOTG of the NRCS in Wisconsin for review and comment.

**SUMMARY:** It is the intention of NRCS in Wisconsin to issue a revised conservation practice standard in Section IV of the FOTG. The revised standard is Conservation Cover (Code 327). This practice may be used in conservation systems that treat highly erodible land.

**DATES:** Comments will be received on or before March 29, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Inquire in writing to Donald A. Baloun, Assistant State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), 6515 Watts Road, Suite 200 Madison, WI 53719-2726, 608-276-8732. Copies of this standard will be made available upon written request. You may submit electronic requests and comments to [dbaloun@wi.nrcs.usda.gov](mailto:dbaloun@wi.nrcs.usda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 states that revisions made after enactment of the law, to NRCS state technical guides used to carry out highly erodible land and wetland provisions of the law, shall be made

available for public review and comment. For the next 30 days, the NRCS in Wisconsin will receive comments relative to the proposed change. Following that period, a determination will be made by the NRCS in Wisconsin regarding disposition of those comments and a final determination of change will be made.

Dated: January 12, 2000.

**Patricia S. Leavenworth,**

*State Conservationist, Madison, Wisconsin.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

#### Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce has received requests to conduct administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with January anniversary dates. In accordance with the Department's regulations, we are initiating those administrative reviews.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** February 28, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Holly A. Kuga, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230, telephone: (202) 482-4737.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

The Department has received timely requests, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(b)(1997), for administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with January anniversary dates.

##### Initiation of Reviews

In accordance with section 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), we are initiating administrative reviews of the following antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings. We intend to issue the final results of these reviews not later than January 31, 2001.

	Period to be reviewed
Antidumping Duty Proceedings:	
Canada: Brass Sheet & Strip A-122-601, Wolverine Tube (Canada), Inc .....	1/1/99-12/31/99
France: Anhydrous Sodium Metasilicate (ASM) A-427-098, Rhone-Poulenc, S.A .....	1/1/99-12/31/99
The People's Republic of China: Potassium Permanganate* A-570-001, Guizhou Provincial Chemical I/E Corp. Zunyi Chemical Factory .....	1/1/99-12/31/99
The Republic of Korea: Top-of-the-Stove Stainless Steel Cooking Ware A-580-601, Cheflin Corp., Dae-Lim Trading Co., Ltd., Dong Won Metal Co., Ltd., Sam Yeung Ind. Co., Ltd., Namyang Kitchenflower Co., Ltd., Kyung-Dong Industrial Co., Ltd., Ssang Yong Ind. Co., Ltd., O. Bok Stainless Steel Co., Ltd., Dong Hwa Stainless Steel Co., Ltd., Il Shin Co., Ltd., Hai Dong Stainless Steel Ind. Co., Ltd., Han Il Stainless Steel Ind. Co., Ltd., Bae Chin Metal Ind. Co., East One Co., Ltd., Charming Art Co., Ltd., Poong Kang Ind. Co., Ltd., Won Jin Ind. Co., Ltd., Wonkwang Inc., Sungjin International Inc., SaeKwang Aluminum Co., Ltd., Woosung Co., Ltd., Hanil Stainless Steel Ind. Co., Ltd., Seshin Co., Ltd., Pionix Corporation, East West Trading Korea, Ltd., Clad Co., Ltd., B.Y. Enterprise, Ltd .....	1/1/99-12/31/99
Countervail Duty Proceedings: None.	
Suspension Agreements: None.	

\*If one of the above named companies does not qualify for a separate rate, all other exporters of potassium permanganate from the People's Republic of China who have not qualified for a separate rate are deemed to be covered by this review as part of the single PRC entity of which the named exporters are a part.

During any administrative review covering all or part of a period falling between the first and second or third and fourth anniversary of the publication of an antidumping duty order under section 351.211 or a determination under section 351.218(d) (sunset review), the Secretary, if requested by a domestic interested party within 30 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the review, will determine whether antidumping duties have been absorbed by an exporter or producer subject to the review if the subject merchandise is sold in the United States through an importer that is affiliated with such exporter or producer. The request must include the name(s) of the exporter or producer for which the inquiry is requested.

For transition orders defined in section 751(c)(6) of the Act, the Secretary will apply paragraph (j)(1) of this section to any administrative review initiated in 1998 (19 CFR 351.213(j)(1-2)).

Interested parties must submit applications for disclosure under administrative protective orders in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305.

These initiations and this notice are in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)), and 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i).

Dated: February 17, 2000.

**Holly A. Kuga,**

*Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration (Group II).*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

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#### Gray Portland Cement and Cement Clinker From Venezuela; Preliminary Results of Sunset Review of Suspended Antidumping Duty Investigation

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

**ACTION:** Notice of preliminary results of full sunset review: gray portland cement and cement clinker from Venezuela.

**SUMMARY:** On August 2, 1999, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") initiated a sunset review of the suspended antidumping duty investigation on gray portland cement and cement clinker from Venezuela (64 FR 41915) pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"). On the basis of a notice of intent to participate filed on behalf of domestic interested parties and adequate substantive responses filed on behalf of the domestic and respondent interested parties, the Department determined to conduct a full (240-day) sunset review. As a result of this review, the Department preliminarily determines that termination of the suspended antidumping duty investigation would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of a dumping.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** February 28, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Eun W. Cho or Melissa G. Skinner, Office of Policy for Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202)

482-1698 or (202) 482-1560, respectively.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### The Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act ("URAA"). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department regulations are to 19 CFR Part 351 (1999). Guidance on methodological or analytical issues relevant to the Department's conduct of sunset reviews is set forth in the Department Policy Bulletin 98:3 "Policies Regarding the Conduct of Five-year ("Sunset") Reviews of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders; Policy Bulletin, 63 FR 18871 (April 16, 1998) (Sunset Policy Bulletin).

##### Background

On August 2, 1999, the Department initiated a sunset review of the suspended antidumping duty investigation on gray portland cement and cement clinker from Venezuela (64 FR 41915). We invited parties to comment. On the basis of a notice of intent to participate filed on behalf of domestic interested parties and adequate substantive responses filed on behalf of the domestic and respondent interested parties, the Department determined to conduct a full (240-day) sunset review. The Department is conducting this sunset review in accordance with sections 751 and 752 of the Act.

In accordance with section 751(c)(5)(C)(v) of the Act, the Department may treat a review as extraordinarily complicated if it is a