

the alternative of constructing a 230/25 kV substation and a 230 kV transmission line which would be over twice as long. This is due primarily to additional project cost and the greater amount of environmental impact that would likely result from a longer transmission line. Three substation sites and three transmission line routes were considered. The preferred substation site will require the least amount of vegetation clearing and least impact to land use. The preferred transmission line route is longer than the two alternative routes considered; however, it is preferred because it avoids impacts to the more densely developed areas around the cities of Folkston and St. George and it would affect fewer residential properties and historic resources known to occur in the project area.

Copies of the BER and FONSI are available for review at, or can be obtained from, RUS at the address provided herein or from Mr. Clayton M. Doherty, Construction and Project Management Department, Georgia Transmission Corporation, P.O. Box 2088, 2100 East Exchange Place, Tucker, Georgia 30085-2088, telephone (770) 270-7719, E-mail clay.doherty@gatrans.com.

Dated June 30, 1997.

Blaine D. Stockton, Jr.,

Assistant Administrator, Electric Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 062597A]

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a 2-day public meeting to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 9, 1997, at 10 a.m., and on Thursday, July 10, 1997, at 8:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Colonial Hilton, 427 Walnut Street (Route 128 South), Wakefield, MA; telephone (617) 245-9300. Requests for special accommodations should be

addressed to the New England Fishery Management Council, 5 Broadway, Saugus, MA 01906-1097; telephone: (617) 231-0422.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council (617) 231-0422.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

July 9, 1997

Following introductions, the Scallop Committee's Plan Development Team will provide a report on the effectiveness of the Council's sea scallop management program, including management recommendations. The Interspecies Committee will review its efforts to develop protocols for reopening areas closed to fishing activities. The Responsible Fishing Committee will report on its continuing discussion of a fishermen's Code of Conduct and also issues related to bycatch in Council-managed fisheries. During the afternoon session, the Atlantic Sea Herring Committee will discuss and ask for Council approval of a public information/scoping document that will identify major issues to be considered during the fishery management plan development. There will be an update on progress to finalize (monkfish) Amendment 9 to the Northeast Multispecies Fisheries Management (FMP). Before adjourning for the day, there will be reports from the Council Chairman; Executive Director; Regional Administrator, Northeast Region, NMFS (Regional Administrator); Northeast Fisheries Science Center and Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council liaisons; and representatives of the Coast Guard and the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission.

The Regional Administrator will consult the Council regarding a proposal from the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) to conduct an experimental small-mesh trawl fishery for whiting from September 1 through December 31, 1997. There will be a discussion and opportunity for public comment. This proposal builds on last fall's successful experimental fishery in Cape Cod Bay where the DMF-developed "raised footrope" trawl effectively captured whiting with minimal by-catch. DMF has requested the time and area of the experimental fishery be expanded to enable vessels to fish in additional specified areas off Massachusetts in Massachusetts Bay, Cape Cod Bay, and waters east of Cape Cod that have historically produced profitable catches of whiting. The experiment is intended to demonstrate

the efficacy of the raised-footrope trawl in reducing the bycatch of non-target species, particularly in reducing the bycatch of regulated multispecies to below 5 percent, and to evaluate the gear over a wider area than in last year's experiment.

July 10, 1997

NMFS will hold a Stock Assessment Public Review Workshop immediately after the Council reconvenes on Thursday. It will present an advisory on the stock status of Gulf of Maine and Georges Bank cod, Georges Bank haddock, and Georges Bank and Southern New England yellowtail flounder. Following the workshop a groundfish subcommittee will report on its progress to develop area closures as an alternative to the cod trip limit in the Multispecies Plan. During the remainder of the Groundfish Committee's report, there will be further discussion of a framework adjustment to the FMP which would modify the Gulf of Maine cod trip limit to account for overages. Specific measures would a) require vessels fishing under the trip limit to call a (cod hailing) telephone number upon off-loading and at least once every 14 days; and b) allow vessels exceeding the trip limit to resume fishing only when the days-at-sea for that trip equate to their cod landings. NMFS will provide information on trip limit enforcement efforts. The Council also plans to develop comments on a proposed experimental longline fishery for halibut in the northern Gulf of Maine. The afternoon session will include reports from the Aquaculture, Gear Conflict, and Lobster Committees. The Aquaculture Committee will provide an update on the development of a Council aquaculture policy. The Gear Conflict Committee will discuss progress to date on the resolution of the northern Georges Bank conflict between otter trawl gear and lobster traps. The Lobster Committee will present its recommendations on management measures proposed by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission. The Council will adjourn the meeting after the conclusion of any other outstanding business.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Paul J. Howard (see ADDRESSES) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: June 26, 1997.

Bruce Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

Notice of Meeting

The Commission of Fine Arts' next meeting is scheduled for July 24, 1997 at 10:00 a.m. in the auditorium of the National Building Museum, in the Pension Building, Judiciary Square, 401 F Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001 to discuss conceptual designs for the World War II Memorial and other projects affecting the appearance of Washington, D.C., including buildings, parks, etc.; also matters of design referred by other agencies of the government.

Inquiries regarding the agenda and requests to submit written or oral statements should be addressed to Charles H. Atherton, Secretary, Commission of Fine Arts, Suite 312, Pension Building, 441 F Street, N.W. or call 202-504-2200.

Dated in Washington, D.C., June 23, 1997.

Charles H. Atherton,
Secretary.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Extension of Temporary Amendment to the Requirements for Participating in the Special Access Program for Caribbean Basin Countries

June 26, 1997.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs extending amendment of requirements for participation in the Special Access Program for a temporary period.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 23, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lori E. Mennitt, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854).

A notice and letter to the Commissioner of Customs published in the **Federal Register** on September 20, 1996 (61 FR 49439) announced the temporary amendment to the foreign origin exception for findings and trimmings under the Special Access Program. By date of export, the foreign origin exception for findings and trimmings, including elastic strips of less than one inch in width, under the Special Access Program were temporarily amended to include non-U.S. formed, U.S. cut interlinings for the period September 23, 1996 through June 22, 1997 for women's and girls' suit jackets and suit-type jackets in Categories 435, 444, 635 and 644. This amendment is being extended for a six-month period beginning on June 23, 1997 and extending through December 22, 1997 for women's and girls' suit jackets and suit-type jackets entered under the Special Access Program (9802.00.8015) provided they are cut in the United States and are of a type described below:

(1) A chest type plate, "hymo" piece or "sleeve header" of woven or weft-inserted warp knit construction of coarse animal hair or man-made filaments used in the manufacture of women's or girls' tailored suit jackets and suit-type jackets;

(2) A woven fabric which contains and exhibits properties of resiliency which render the fabric especially suitable for attachment by fusing with a thermo-plastic adhesive to the coat-front, side body or back of women's or girls' tailored suit jackets and suit-type jackets.

Note that the amendment is not being extended for weft-inserted warp knit fabric which contains and exhibits properties of elasticity and resilience which render the fabric especially suitable for attachment by fusing with a thermo-plastic adhesive to the coat-front, side body or back of women's or girls' tailored suit jackets and suit-type jackets. These interlinings must be formed and cut in the United States.

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

June 26, 1997.

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends but does not cancel the directive issued to you on September 16, 1996, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns the foreign origin exception for findings and trimmings under the Special Access Program.

Effective on June 23, 1997, by date of export, you are directed to extend, for the six-month period June 23, 1997 through December 22, 1997, the amendment to treat non-U.S. formed, U.S.-cut interlinings, further described below, for women's and girls' wool and man-made fiber suit jackets and suit-type jackets in Categories 435, 444, 635 and 644 as qualifying for the exception for findings and trimmings, including elastic strips less than one inch in width, created under the Special Access Program established effective September 1, 1986 (see 51 FR 21208). In the aggregate, such interlinings, findings and trimmings must not exceed 25 percent of the cost of the components of the assembled article.

The amendment implemented by this directive shall be of a temporary nature. With respect to women's and girls' suit jackets and suit-type jackets in Categories 435, 444, 635 and 644, the amendment will terminate on December 22, 1997, by date of export.

As described above, non-U.S. formed, U.S.-cut interlinings may be used in imports of women's or girls' suit jackets and suit-type jackets entered under the Special Access Program (9802.00.8015) provided they are cut in the United States and of a type described below:

(1) A chest plate, "hymo" piece or "sleeve header" of woven or weft-inserted warp knit construction of coarse animal hair or man-made filaments used in the manufacture of women's or girls' tailored suit jackets and suit-type jackets;

(2) A woven fabric which contains and exhibits properties of resiliency which render the fabric especially suitable for attachment by fusing with a thermo-plastic adhesive to the coat-front, side body or back of women's or girls' tailored suit jackets and suit-type jackets.

This amendment is not being extended for weft-inserted warp knit fabric which contains and exhibits properties of elasticity and resilience which render the fabric especially suitable for attachment by fusing with a thermo-plastic adhesive to the coat-front, side body or back of women's or girls' tailored suit jackets and suit-type jackets. These interlinings must be formed and cut in the United States.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request: All-Terrain Vehicle Exposure Survey

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.