

Notices

Federal Register

Vol. 62, No. 177

Friday, September 12, 1997

This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains documents other than rules or proposed rules that are applicable to the public. Notices of hearings and investigations, committee meetings, agency decisions and rulings, delegations of authority, filing of petitions and applications and agency statements of organization and functions are examples of documents appearing in this section.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Bayou Bourbeux Watershed, St. Landry Parish, Louisiana

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service, Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of finding of no significant impact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969; the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR part 1500); and the Natural Resources Conservation Service Regulation (7 CFR part 650); the Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, gives notice that an environmental impact statement is not being prepared for the Bayou Bourbeux Watershed, St. Landry Parish, Louisiana.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Donald W. Gohmert, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 3737 Government Street, Alexandria, Louisiana, 71302, telephone (318) 473-7751.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The environmental assessment of this federally assisted action indicates that the project will not cause significant local, regional, or national impacts on the environment. As a result of these findings, Donald W. Gohmert, State Conservationist, has determined that the preparation and review of an environmental impact statement are not needed for this project.

The project features include the installation of flood control measures consisting of both structural and nonstructural measures to protect thirty-two residences within the floodplain of Bayous Yarbor and Callahan; land treatment on 3,200 acres of critically eroding cropland; acquiring agricultural easements on approximately 3,000 acres

of land through the Wetlands Reserve Program; and 11 miles of channel restoration on Bayous Bellevue and Bourbeux.

The Notice of a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) has been forwarded to the Environmental Protection Agency and to various federal, state, and local agencies and interested parties. A limited number of copies of the FONSI are available to fill single copy requests at the above address. Basic data developed during the environmental assessment are on file and may be reviewed by contacting Bruce Lehto, Assistant State Conservationist/Water Resources, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 3737 Government Street, Alexandria, Louisiana 71302, telephone (318) 473-7756.

No administrative action on implementation of the proposal will be taken until 30 days after the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

(This activity is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under NO. 10.904, Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention, and is subject to the provision of Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials.)

Dated: September 3, 1997.

Donald W. Gohmert,
State Conservationist.

[FR Doc. 97-24177 Filed 9-11-97; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3410-16-M

COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Additions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Proposed additions to Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee has received proposals to add to the Procurement List commodities and services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE: October 14, 1997.

ADDRESS: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Square 3, Suite 403,

1735 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3461.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman (703) 603-7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 47(a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the possible impact of the proposed actions.

If the Committee approves the proposed additions, all entities of the Federal Government (except as otherwise indicated) will be required to procure the commodities and services listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities. 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 organizations that will furnish the commodities and services to the Government.

2. The action does not appear to have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the commodities and services.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodities and services to the Government.

4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the commodities and services proposed for addition to the Procurement List. Comments on this certification are invited. Commenters should identify the statement(s) underlying the certification on which they are providing additional information.

The following commodities and services have been proposed for addition to Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

Commodities

Office and Miscellaneous Supplies (Requirements for the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, New York)
NPA: Winston-Salem Industries for the Blind, Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Services

Central Facility Management (including Janitorial/Custodial, Grounds Maintenance, Interior Landscaping, Copier Operation, Mail and Messenger, Shipping and Receiving and Self Service Supply Store)
U.S. Department of Agriculture, Beltsville, Maryland
NPA: Melwood Horticultural Training Center, Upper Marlboro, Maryland

Janitorial/Custodial

Veterans Administration Medical Center, 2600 M. L. King, Jr. Parkway, Des Moines, Iowa
NPA: Goodwill Industries of Central Iowa, Des Moines, Iowa
L. W. Stoddard USARC 25 North Lake Avenue, Worcester, Massachusetts
NPA: Seven Hills Occupational & Rehabilitation Services, Inc., Worcester, Massachusetts
Repair & Distribution of Government Owned Shoe Lasts
Defense Personnel Support Center, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
NPA: Cleveland Skilled Industries, Cleveland, Ohio

Beverly L. Milkman,
Executive Director.

[FR Doc. 97-24261 Filed 9-11-97; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6353-01-P

COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List Additions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Additions to the Procurement List.

SUMMARY: This action adds to the Procurement List commodities and services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 14, 1997.

ADDRESS: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Square 3, Suite 403, 1735 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3461.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman (703) 603-7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 13, 20, 27 and July 25, 1997 the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notices (62 FR 32288, 33585, 34686 and 40049) of proposed additions to the Procurement List.

The following comments pertain to Woman's USMC Slacks: Comments

were received from the current contractor for the slacks. The contractor indicated that the addition of the slacks would significantly and adversely impact its business and, as a result, its employees and the depressed region in which it is located. The contractor explained that its potential closure as a result of the proposed addition would be devastating, as it was the largest employer in town and the largest minority employer in the area.

The Committee noted that the contractor overstated the impact on its business by including sales data associated with slacks of another color not proposed for addition to the Procurement List. When those sales were eliminated, the resulting percentage of the firm's sales that would be lost by the Committee's addition action was below the level that the Committee normally considers to be severe adverse impact. Consequently, the Committee believes it is unlikely that the contractor will be forced to discontinue operations and, thereby, exacerbate any existing area economic problems. While it is possible that a few of the contractor's employees may lose their jobs as a result of the action, the Committee believes that even in a depressed area, it will be easier for them to find jobs than it would be for the people with severe disabilities who will benefit from the addition.

After consideration of the material presented to it concerning capability of qualified nonprofit agencies to provide the commodities and services and impact of the additions on the current or most recent contractors, the Committee has determined that the commodities and services listed below are suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

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 organizations that will furnish the commodities and services to the Government.

2. The action will not have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the commodities and services.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodities and services to the Government.

4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-

O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the commodities and services proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Accordingly, the following commodities and services are hereby added to the Procurement List:

Commodities

Office and Miscellaneous Supplies (Requirements for the Naval Air Station, Lemoore, California)

Office and Miscellaneous Supplies (Requirements for Dover Air Force Base, Delaware)

VuRyte—VuRyser Ergonomic Computer Workstation 7520-01-443-4902

Slacks, Woman's, USMC

8410-01-413-5188

8410-01-413-5189

8410-01-413-5190

8410-01-413-5193

8410-01-413-5194

8410-01-413-5195

8410-01-413-5196

8410-01-413-5245

8410-01-413-5256

8410-01-413-5258

8410-01-413-5259

8410-01-413-5260

8410-01-413-5262

8410-01-413-5800

8410-01-413-5855

8410-01-413-5860

8410-01-413-5864

8410-01-413-5872

8410-01-413-5875

8410-01-413-5877

8410-01-413-5880

8410-01-413-5881

8410-01-413-5883

8410-01-413-5884

8410-01-413-5886

8410-01-413-5887

8410-01-413-5888

8410-01-413-5889

8410-01-413-5248

Services

Administrative Services, Social Security Administration, Oxmoor South Industrial Park, 220 Oxmoor Court, Birmingham, Alabama

Janitorial/Custodial

New Boston Courthouse, Northern Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts.

This action does not affect current contracts awarded prior to the effective date of this addition or options that may be exercised under those contracts.

Beverly L. Milkman,
Executive Director.

[FR Doc. 97-24262 Filed 9-11-97; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6353-01-P