

telephone: (202) 482-0165 or (202) 482-3818, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), are 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's regulations are to 19 C.F.R. Part 351 (1998).

Background

On October 31, 1994, the Department signed an agreement with the Government of Ukraine which suspended the antidumping investigation on silicomanganese from Ukraine. *See Silicomanganese from Ukraine; Suspension of Investigation*, 59 FR 60951 (November 29, 1994). In accordance with section 734(g) of the Act, on December 6, 1994, the Department published its final determination of sales at less than fair value in this case. *See Notice of Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Silicomanganese From Ukraine*, 59 FR 62711 (December 6, 1994).

Pursuant to Article XIII of the Agreement, on October 30, 1998, the Department received timely requests from petitioner and the Government of Ukraine to conduct an administrative review of the Agreement under Section 751 of the Act. On November 30, 1998, petitioner also submitted a request for an administrative review pursuant to the notice of *Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review*, 63 FR 63287 (November 12, 1998). Additionally, the Government of Ukraine submitted a supplement to their October 30, 1998 request on December 7, 1998. On December 23, 1998, the Department initiated a review of the Agreement. *See Notice of Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 63 FR 71091 (December 23, 1998).

On August 9, 1999, the Department extended the time limits for the preliminary results of review by 120 days. *See Notice of Extension of Time Limits for the Preliminary Results of Administrative Review of the Suspension Agreement on Silicomanganese From Ukraine*, 64 FR 43161 (August 9, 1999). On October 8, 1999, the Department issued a questionnaire to the Government of Ukraine requesting information to

determine whether the Government of Ukraine has complied with the terms of the Agreement and to evaluate current trends and conditions in both the domestic and world market for silicomanganese faced by producers and exporters of Ukrainian silicomanganese. On October 25, 1999, petitioner filed a submission arguing that the administrative review is not a termination review. On November 15, 1999, the Government of Ukraine submitted its response to the questionnaire. Also, on November 15, 1999, petitioner submitted certain factual information from the public record of the suspended investigation. On November 30, 1999, the Department received withdrawal requests from petitioner and the Government of Ukraine.

Rescission of Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1) of the Department's regulations, the Department will allow a party that requests an administrative review to withdraw such request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the administrative review. Furthermore, the Department may extend this time limit if the Secretary decides it is reasonable to do so, per 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1). Because all requests for review have been withdrawn, rescission of this review would not prejudice any party in this proceeding. Therefore, the Department is rescinding this review.

This notice also serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order ("APO") of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 353.34(d). Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and the terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

This determination is issued and published in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: November 30, 1999.

Barbara E. Tillman,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, AD/CVD Enforcement Group III.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Export Trade Certificate of Review

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Commerce

ACTION: Notice of revocation of Export Trade Certificate of Review No. 89-00015.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Commerce issued an export trade certificate of review to Airborne Business Cargo, Inc. ("ABCI"). Because this certificate holder has failed to file an annual report as required by law, the Secretary is revoking the certificate. This notice summarizes the notification letter sent to ABCI.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Morton Schnabel, Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs, International Trade Administration, 202/482-5131. This is not a toll-free number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title III of the Export Trading Company Act of 1982 ("the Act") (Pub. L. 97-290, 15 U.S.C. 4011-21) authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to issue export trade certificates of review. The regulations implementing Title III ("the Regulations") are found at 15 CFR part 325 (1999). Pursuant to this authority, a certificate of review was issued on December 12, 1989 to ABCI.

A certificate holder is required by law to submit to the Department of Commerce annual reports that update financial and other information relating to business activities covered by its certificate (Section 308 of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 4018, § 325.14(a) of the regulations, 15 CFR 325.14(a)). The annual report is due within 45 days after the anniversary date of the issuance of the certificate of review (§ 325.14 (b) of the Regulations, 15 CFR 325.14 (b)). Failure to submit a complete annual report may be the basis for revocation (§§ 325.10(a) (3) and 325.14(c) of the regulations, 15 CFR 325.10(a) (3) and 325.14(c)).

On December 2, 1998, the Department of Commerce sent to ABCI a letter containing annual report questions with a reminder that its annual report was due on January 26, 1999. Additional reminders were sent on February 10, 1999 and on March 16, 1999. The Department has received no written response from ABCI to any of these letters.

On September 21, 1999, and in accordance with Section 325.10 (c) (1) of the regulations, (15 CFR 325.10 (c) (1)), the Department of Commerce sent

a letter by certified mail to notify ABCI that the Department was formally initiating the process to revoke its certificate for failure to file an annual report. In addition, a summary of this letter allowing ABCI thirty days to respond was published in the **Federal Register** on September 27, 1999 at 64 FR 51958. Pursuant to § 325.10(c) (2) of the regulations (15 CFR 325.10(c) (2)), the Department considers the failure of ABCI to respond to be an admission of the statements contained in the notification letter.

The Department has determined to revoke the certificate issued to ABCI for its failure to file an annual report. The Department has sent a letter, dated December 1, 1999, to notify ABCI of its determination. The revocation is effective thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice. Any person aggrieved by this decision may appeal to an appropriate U.S. district court within 30 days from the date on which this notice is published in the **Federal Register** (325.10(c) (4) and 325.11 of the Regulations, 15 CFR 324.10(c) (4) and 325.11 of the Regulations, 15 CFR 325.10(c) (4) and 325.11).

Dated: December 1, 1999.

Morton Schnabel,

Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

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Partnership for Advancing Technologies in Housing Cooperative Research Program (PATH-CoRP)—Notice of Availability of Funds

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to inform potential applicants that the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is offering financial assistance for the Partnership for Advancing Technology in Housing Cooperative Research Program (PATH CoRP). PATH is working to expedite the development and use of advanced housing technologies, through partnerships between U.S. businesses and the Federal government. These technologies, which improve the quality, affordability, durability, energy

efficiency and environmental performance of a home, help everyone—industry, consumers, and the environment. Specifically, PATH encourages developing innovative housing components and systems, designs, and production methods as well as reducing the amount of time needed to move quality technologies to the market place. With research assistance from NIST, the PATH program is led by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) (<http://www.pathnet.org>).

The Partnership for Advancing Technology in Housing Cooperative Research Program (PATH CoRP) is seeking proposals for cost-shared, industry-led research projects with the potential to result in new products that can be rapidly implemented in the construction of new site-built, factory-built, and manufactured housing and the upgrade of existing homes in support of the PATH program goals.

DATES: The closing date for the submission of applications under this notice is February 7, 2000. Applications must be post-marked on or before February 7, 2000. NIST will not accept applications post-marked after the closing date of this notice. Applicants whose applications are post-marked after the closing date and those that are substantially incomplete are hereby notified that the applications will not be considered and will be returned to the applicants with a reason for the return. Applicants should allow 90 days processing time.

ADDRESSES AND CONTACT INFORMATION:

Applicants are requested to submit any technical questions to: Dr. H.S. Lew, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Building and Fire Research Laboratory, Structures Divisions, 100 Bureau Drive, STOP 8610, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-8610, Telephone: (301) 975-6060, E-mail: hsl@nist.gov. Administrative questions should be directed to Joyce F. Brigham, NIST Grants Office, 100 Bureau Drive, STOP 3573, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-3573 Telephone (301) 975-6329.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance: The CFDA number is 11.609—Measurement and Engineering Research Standards.

Authority: As authorized under 12 U.S.C. Section 1701z-1, 2 and 15 U.S.C. Section 272(b)(1),(8),(c)(15), NIST is participating with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the implementation of the PATH CoRP program. Funds for the PATH CoRP program were transferred from HUD to NIST under the authority of the Economy Act, 31 U.S.C. Section 1535.

Program Description/Objectives:

The PATH CoRP program is intended to stimulate the research and development of innovative technologies that can be rapidly implemented into new products for new site-built, factory-built, and manufactured housing as well as the upgrade of existing homes to meet the four goals of the PATH program. The goals are as follows:

1. Reduce the monthly cost of new housing by 20%.
2. Cut the environmental impact and energy use of new housing by 50% or more and reduce the energy use in at least 15 million existing homes by 30% or more.
3. Improve durability and reduce maintenance costs by 50%.
4. Reduce by at least 10% the risk of loss of life, injury, and property destruction from natural hazards and reduce by at least 20% residential construction work illnesses and injuries.

Proposals will be accepted for research projects in the following seven areas of interest:

1. Labor-saving processes for manufactured, factory-build, and site-constructed housing to reduce cycle-time, enhance worker safety, and simplify construction processes.
 2. Advanced materials and systems for structural integrity.
 3. Advanced and innovative foundation systems for site-build, factory-built, and manufactured homes for all types of soil conditions.
 4. Advanced materials and systems for the building envelope to control moisture in walls or control infestation by termites and other insects.
 5. New or innovative methods incorporating traditional exterior finishes with advanced framing systems.
 6. Advanced materials and systems for interior finishes (ceiling, walls, built-in equipment).
 7. Advanced materials and systems for home function and operation.
- Research projects must be designed to produce at least one tangible result that can be implemented into a new product addressing the PATH goals within eighteen months.

Eligibility

The PATH CoRP program is open to participation by for-profit or non-profit industry organizations and industry-led teams of organizations. Applicant organizations and teams must be industrial organizations or industry-led because the focus of the PATH CoRP is on the development of technologies that can be rapidly implemented into products.

Although teams are encouraged, an application must be submitted by a