

Sec. 19, lot 14;  
 Sec. 21, lots 5 and 6;  
 Sec. 22, lots 1 to 5, inclusive, W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
 and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 23, lots 3 and 4;  
 Sec. 26, S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 27;  
 Sec. 28, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 29, NE $\frac{1}{4}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 32, NE $\frac{1}{4}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and  
 N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 34, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 35, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
 W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 36, W $\frac{1}{2}$  and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ .  
 T. 17 S., R. 51 E.,  
 Sec. 31, lot 4, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 32, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ .  
 T. 18 S., R. 50 E.,  
 Sec. 1, lots 1 to 4, inclusive;  
 Sec. 2, lots 1 and 2, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 3, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 9, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 10, E $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 11, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 12, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 13, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
 NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and  
 E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 14, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 15, E $\frac{1}{2}$  and E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 23;  
 Sec. 24, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
 and N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 25, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$  and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 26, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ .  
 T. 18 S., R. 51 E.,  
 Sec. 5, lot 1;  
 Sec. 6, lots 2 to 6, inclusive, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 7, NE $\frac{1}{4}$  and E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 8, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 18, lots 2 to 4, inclusive, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 19, lots 1 and 2, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
 SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and  
 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 20, W $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$  and W $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 29, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 30, lot 2, NE $\frac{1}{4}$  (excluding patent #27-  
 70-009), and E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ .

The areas described aggregate  
 9,459.66 acres in Nye County.

(b) *Reserved Federal Minerals*

T. 17 S., R. 50 E.,  
 Sec. 10, lots 9, 10, 11, 13, and 14;  
 Sec. 16, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 20, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 21, lots 1 to 4, inclusive;  
 Sec. 28, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 29, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 33, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 34, W $\frac{1}{2}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 T. 18 S., R. 50 E.,  
 Sec. 2, W $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 3, lots 1 to 3, inclusive, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 4, lot 3, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 9, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 10, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 11, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 12, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ .  
 T. 17 S., R. 51 E.,  
 Sec. 31, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 32, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ .  
 T. 18 S., R. 51 E.,

Sec. 5, lots 2 to 4, inclusive, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 6, lots 1 and 7, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 7, lots 1 and 2;  
 Sec. 8, E $\frac{1}{2}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 17, W $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  
 Sec. 18, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;  
 Sec. 30, NE $\frac{1}{4}$  (within patent #27-70-  
 0091).

The areas described aggregate 5,360  
 acres in Nye County.

The public lands and reserved Federal  
 minerals proposed for withdrawal are  
 within the existing boundary of the Ash  
 Meadows Wildlife Refuge. Private lands  
 within the existing boundary are not  
 affected by this notice.

For a period of 90 days from the date  
 of publication of this notice, all persons  
 who wish to submit comments,  
 suggestions, or objections in connection  
 with the proposed withdrawal may  
 present their views in writing to the  
 Nevada State Director of the Bureau of  
 Land Management.

Notice is hereby given that a public  
 meeting in connection with the  
 proposed withdrawal will be held at a  
 later date. A notice of the time and place  
 will be published in the **Federal  
 Register** and a newspaper in the general  
 vicinity of the lands to be withdrawn at  
 least 30 days before the scheduled date  
 of the meeting. The application will be  
 processed in accordance with the  
 regulations set forth in 43 CFR Part  
 2300.

For a period of 2 years from the date  
 of publication of this notice in the  
**Federal Register**, the lands will be  
 segregated as specified above unless the  
 application is denied or canceled or the  
 withdrawal is approved prior to that  
 date. The temporary uses which will be  
 permitted during this segregative period  
 are rights-of-way, leases, and permits.

The temporary segregation of the  
 lands in connection with a withdrawal  
 application or proposal shall not affect  
 administrative jurisdiction over the  
 lands, and the segregation shall not have  
 the effect of authorizing any use of the  
 lands by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife  
 Service.

The applications, N-53691 and  
 59336, published in the 57 FR 4057,  
 February 3, 1992, and the 61 FR 36756,  
 July 12, 1996, respectively, have been  
 canceled.

Dated: August 6, 1998.

**William K. Stowers,**  
*Lands Team Lead.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

#### Preparation of an Environmental Assessment for a Notice to Lessees To Reduce Nitrogen Oxides Emissions in the Central Planning Area of the Gulf of Mexico

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service,  
 Interior.

**ACTION:** Preparation of an Environmental  
 Assessment.

**SUMMARY:** Minerals Management Service  
 (MMS) is beginning preparation of an  
 Environmental Assessment (EA) for a  
 Notice to Lessees (NTL) to reduce  
 Nitrogen Oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>) emissions in the  
 Central Planning Area (CPA) of the Gulf  
 of Mexico.

**DATES:** Comments due to MMS  
 September 7, 1998. Draft EA for public  
 review November 16, 1998. The EA  
 completed January 25, 1999.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
 Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, Minerals  
 Management Service, 1201 Elmwood  
 Park Boulevard, New Orleans, Louisiana  
 70123-2394, Terry Scholten, telephone  
 (504) 736-1720.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The MMS  
 prepares EA's for proposals which relate  
 to exploration for and the development/  
 production of oil and gas resources on  
 the Gulf of Mexico Outer Continental  
 Shelf (OCS). The EA's examine the  
 potential environmental effects of  
 activities described in the proposed  
 action, present MMS' conclusions  
 regarding the significance of those  
 effects, and are used as a basis for  
 determining whether or not approval of  
 the proposal constitutes major Federal  
 actions that significantly affect the  
 quality of the human environment in  
 the sense of the National Environmental  
 Policy Act, Section 102(2)(C).

The proposed action to be analyzed in  
 this EA is a NTL to require best  
 available control technology for NO<sub>x</sub>  
 emissions on all facilities in the CPA.  
 The EA will also analyze other  
 alternatives, as well as the no action  
 alternative. The analysis in the EA will  
 examine the potential environmental  
 effects of the proposal and alternatives  
 regarding potential impacts on coastal  
 areas in the CPA.

The MMS requests interested parties  
 to submit comments regarding any  
 information or issues that should be  
 addressed in the EA to Gulf of Mexico  
 OCS Region, Minerals Management  
 Service, 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard,  
 New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394 by  
 September 7, 1998. After completion of  
 the EA, MMS will make a decision on

NO<sub>x</sub> controls to be required in the short term.

Dated: August 6, 1998.

**Chris C. Oynes,**

*Regional Director, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### **Comprehensive Management Plan/ Environmental Impact Statement Oregon, California, Mormon Pioneer, and Pony Express National Historic Trails**

**AGENCY:** National Park Service,  
Department of the Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability of Draft  
Environmental Impact Statement for  
Oregon, California, Mormon Pioneer,  
and Pony Express National Historic  
Trails.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 102(2) (c)  
of the National Environmental Policy  
Act of 1969, the National Park Service  
(NPS) announces the availability of a  
draft environmental impact statement  
and comprehensive management plan  
(EIS/CMP) for the Oregon, California,  
Mormon Pioneer, and Pony Express  
National Historic Trails.

**DATES:** The DEIS/CMP will remain  
available for public review through  
October 19, 1998. Public meetings held  
concerning the DEIS/CMP will be  
announced at a later date.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments on the draft EIS  
shall be submitted to the  
Superintendent, Long Distance Trails  
Office, 324 S. State St., Suite 250, Salt  
Lake City, UT 84145.

Copies of the draft EIS will be  
available for review at the public  
libraries in the counties crossed by the  
trails. A list with the specific addresses  
will be made available to the mailing  
list associated with this project. For  
additional information contact:  
Superintendent, Long Distance Trails  
Office, 324 S. State St., Suite 250, Salt  
Lake City, Utah 84145 (801) 539-4095.  
Planning and Environmental Quality,  
Intermountain Support Office—  
Denver, National Park Service, 12795  
W. Alameda Parkway, Lakewood, CO  
80228, (303) 969-2851 [or (303) 969-  
2832].

Office of Public Affairs, National Park  
Service, Department of the Interior,  
18th and C. Streets NW, Washington,  
DC 20240, (202) 208-6843.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This Draft  
Environmental Impact Statement for the

Comprehensive Management Plan  
presents and proposal and an alternative  
for guiding future management of the  
four national historic trails. The plan  
serves as a coordinating document that  
provides broad-based policies,  
guidelines, and standards for  
administering the four trails in such a  
manner, as to ensure the protection of  
trail resources, their interpretation and  
continued use. Both alternatives aim to  
balance resource preservation and use.  
Alternative 1 (current conditions)  
reflects the wide variability in the  
administration and management,  
resource protection strategies, and  
interpretation, visitor experience, and  
use that exists today. Alternative 2 (the  
proposal) focuses on enhancing resource  
protection and visitor use. It calls for an  
improved visitor experience through  
integrated development and  
programming and a comprehensive  
strategy for resource protection,  
including an ambitious program to  
inventory and monitor resources that  
would bring together, in one location,  
information currently dispersed.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
Superintendent Long Distance Trails  
Office at the above address and phone  
number.

Dated: August 4, 1998.

**Michael D. Snyder,**

*Acting Regional Director, Intermountain  
Region, National Park Service.*

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## INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

### **Electrolytic Manganese Dioxide From Greece and Japan**

#### **Dismissal of Request for Institution of a Section 751(b) Review Investigation**

**AGENCY:** United States International  
Trade Commission (Commission).

**ACTION:** Dismissal of a request to  
institute a section 751(b) investigation  
concerning the Commission's  
affirmative determinations in  
investigations Nos. 731-TA-406 and  
408 (Final): Electrolytic Manganese  
Dioxide from Greece and Japan.<sup>1</sup>

**SUMMARY:** The Commission determines,  
pursuant to section 751(b) of the Tariff

Act of 1930 (the Act)<sup>2</sup> and Commission  
rule 207.45,<sup>3</sup> that the subject request  
does not show changed circumstances  
sufficient to warrant institution of an  
investigation to review the  
Commission's affirmative  
determinations in investigations Nos.  
731-TA-406 and 408 (Final):  
Electrolytic Manganese Dioxide from  
Greece and Japan. EMD is provided for  
in subheading 2820.10.00 of the  
Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the  
United States.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Fred  
Fischer (202-205-3179) or Vera Libeau  
(202-205-3176), Office of  
Investigations, U.S. International Trade  
Commission, 500 E Street SW,  
Washington, DC 20436. Hearing-  
impaired persons can obtain  
information on this matter by contacting  
the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-  
205-1810. Persons with mobility  
impairments who will need special  
assistance in gaining access to the  
Commission should contact the Office  
of the Secretary at 202-205-2000.  
General information concerning the  
Commission may also be obtained by  
accessing its internet server at <http://www.usitc.gov>.

### **Background Information**

On May 26, 1998, the Commission  
received a request to review its  
affirmative determination, as it applied  
to imports from Greece (the request), in  
light of changed circumstances,  
pursuant to section 751(b) of the Act.<sup>4</sup>  
The request was filed by counsel on  
behalf of Eveready Battery Company  
(Eveready), St. Louis, MO. Eveready is  
one of three U.S. producers of EMD. The  
company is a captive producer of EMD  
and a purchaser of EMD from other U.S.  
and foreign manufacturers. EMD is a  
major ingredient in the manufacture of  
dry cell batteries used in portable  
electronic devices.

Pursuant to section 207.45(b) of the  
Commission's Rules of Practice and  
Procedure,<sup>5</sup> the Commission published  
a notice in the **Federal Register** on June  
3, 1998,<sup>6</sup> requesting comments as to  
whether the alleged changed  
circumstances warranted the institution  
of review investigations. The  
Commission received comments in  
support of the request from Eveready  
(the requester) and Tosoh Hellas, A.I.C.,  
a Greek producers of EMD.<sup>7</sup> Comments

<sup>2</sup> 19 U.S.C. § 1675(b).

<sup>3</sup> 19 CFR 207.45.

<sup>4</sup> 19 U.S.C. § 1675(b).

<sup>5</sup> 19 CFR 207.45(b).

<sup>6</sup> 63 FR 30254.

<sup>7</sup> Both Eveready and Tosoh Hellas, while  
supporting the initiation of a section 751(b) review  
investigation with respect to Greece, oppose the

<sup>1</sup> The request concerned only imports from  
Greece. However, as the alleged changed  
circumstances predominantly related to the  
domestic industry, the Commission also solicited  
comments on the possibility to self-initiating a  
review of the outstanding order on imports from  
Japan.