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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of Export Administration

[Docket No. 010315067-1067-01]

#### **National Defense Stockpile Market Impact Committee Request for Public Comments on the Potential Market Impact of Proposed Increases in Stockpile Disposals of Vegetable Tannin (Quebracho) and Talc, and Sales of Sebacic Acid and Tungsten Metal Powder**

**AGENCY:** Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments on the potential market impact of proposed increases in the disposal quantities of Vegetable Tannin (Quebracho), Talc, Sebacic Acid, and Tungsten Metal Powder from the National Defense Stockpile under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2001 Annual Materials Plan (AMP) and the proposed FY 2002 AMP.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is to advise the public that the National Defense Stockpile Market Impact Committee (co-chaired by the Departments of Commerce and State) is seeking public comments on the potential market impact of proposed increases in the disposal quantities of Vegetable Tannin (Quebracho) and Talc, and sales of Sebacic Acid and Tungsten Metal Powder from the National Defense Stockpile under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2001 Annual Materials Plan (AMP) and the proposed FY 2002 AMP.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by April 23, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be sent to Richard V. Meyers, Co-Chair, Stockpile Market Impact Committee, Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, Room 3876, Bureau of Export Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; FAX (202) 482-5650; E-Mail: rmeyers@bxa.doc.gov.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Richard V. Meyers, Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, Bureau of Export Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3634; or Terri L. Robl, Office of International Energy and Commodity

Policy, U.S. Department of State, (202) 647-3423; co-chairs of the National Defense Stockpile Market Impact Committee.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the authority of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act of 1979, as amended, (50 U.S.C. 98 *et seq.*), the Department of Defense (DOD), as National Defense Stockpile Manager, maintains a stockpile of strategic and critical materials to supply the military, industrial, and essential civilian needs of the United States for national defense. Section 3314 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 1993 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) (50 U.S.C. 98h-1) formally established a Market Impact Committee (the Committee) to "advise the National Defense Stockpile Manager on the projected domestic and foreign economic effects of all acquisitions and disposals of materials from the stockpile \* \* \*." The Committee must also balance market impact concerns with the statutory requirement to protect the Government against avoidable loss.

The Committee is comprised of representatives from the Departments of Commerce, State, Agriculture, Defense, Energy, Interior, Treasury, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and is co-chaired by the Departments of Commerce and State. The FY 1993 NDAA directs the Committee to "consult from time to time with representatives of producers, processors and consumers of the types of materials stored in the stockpile."

The National Defense Stockpile Administrator has proposed revising both the current FY 2001 Annual Materials Plan (AMP) and the proposed FY 2002 AMP (both AMPs previously approved by the Committee) to increase the disposal quantities of Vegetable Tannin (Quebracho) and Talc, and sales of Sebacic Acid and Tungsten Metal Powder as set forth in Attachment 1 to this Notice. The proposed increases will allow for the burial of additional quantities of Vegetable Tannin and Talc; and will permit additional quantities of Sebacic Acid and Tungsten Metal Powder to be sold at high prices into a world market currently experiencing a shortage of these materials. The Committee is seeking public comments on the potential market impact of these proposed increases.

The quantities of Vegetable Tannin (Quebracho), Talc, Sebacic Acid, and Tungsten Metal Powder (including the proposed increases) listed in both the FY 2001 and proposed FY 2002 AMPs are not sales target disposal quantities.

They are only a statement of the proposed maximum quantities of these materials that may be disposed of or sold in a particular fiscal year. The quantities of materials that will actually be offered for sale will depend on the market for the materials at the time of their offering as well as on the quantities of the materials approved for disposal by Congress.

The Committee requests that interested parties provide written comments, supporting data and documentation, and any other relevant information on the potential market impact of the proposed increased disposal quantities of Vegetable Tannin (Quebracho) and Talc, and sales of Sebacic Acid and Tungsten Metal Powder. Although comments in response to this Notice must be received by April 23, 2001 to ensure full consideration by the Committee, interested parties are encouraged to submit comments and supporting information at any time thereafter to keep the Committee informed as to the market impact of the sales of these materials. Public comment is an important element of the Committee's market impact review process.

Public comments received will be made available at the Department of Commerce for public inspection and copying. Anyone submitting business confidential information should clearly identify the business confidential portion of the submission and also provide a non-confidential submission that can be placed in the public file. The Committee will seek to protect such information to the extent permitted by law.

The public record concerning this notice will be maintained in the Bureau of Export Administration's Records Inspection Facility, Room 4525, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230, telephone (202) 482-5653. The records in this facility may be inspected and copied in accordance with the regulations published in part 4 of Title 15 of the Code of Federal Regulations (15 CFR 4.1 *et seq.*).

Information about the inspection and copying of records at the facility may be obtained from Ms. Dawnielle Battle, the Bureau of Export Administration's Freedom of Information Officer, at the above address and telephone number.

Dated: March 16, 2001.

**Matthew S. Borman,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Export Administration.*

## Attachment 1

## PROPOSED FY 2001 AND FY 2002 ANNUAL MATERIAL PLAN INCREASES IN MATERIAL DISPOSAL QUANTITIES

Material	Fiscal year—		
	Current 2001 quantity	Revised 2001 quantity	Proposed 2002 quantity
Vegetable Tannin (Quebracho) (LT) .....	10,000	50,000	50,000
Talc (ST) .....	1,000	2,000	2,000
Sebacic Acid (LB) .....	600,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Tungsten Metal Powder (LB) .....	150,000	300,000	300,000

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

## Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 15-2001]

## Foreign-Trade Zone 47—Boone County, Kentucky Application for Expansion

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board), by the Greater Cincinnati Foreign Trade Zone, Inc., grantee of FTZ 47, requesting authority to expand its zone to include an additional site in Boone County, Kentucky, within the Cincinnati Customs port of entry. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR Part 400). It was formally filed on March 12, 2001.

FTZ 47 was approved on January 12, 1979 (Board Order 141, 44 FR 4003, 1/19/79) and expanded on December 23, 1993 (Board Order 674, 59 FR 1371, 1/10/94). The general-purpose zone project currently consists of the following site: *Site 1* (22 acres)—located at Dolwick and Interstate Drives, within the Northern Kentucky Business Center, Boone County, 3 miles from the Greater Cincinnati International Airport.

The applicant is now requesting authority to expand the general-purpose zone to include an additional site in Boone County, Kentucky: *Proposed Site 2* (185 acres)—Park West International Industrial Park, Exit #7 off I-275 at the northwest quadrant of the interchange, approximately three miles from the Greater Cincinnati International Airport. The site is owned by Industrial Developments International and PM Realty Advisors. No specific manufacturing requests are being made at this time. Such requests would be

made to the Board on a case-by-case basis.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment on the application is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is May 21, 2001. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to June 5, 2001).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

U.S. Department of Commerce,  
International Trade Administration,  
Export Assistance Center, Cincinnati,  
36 East 7th Street, Suite 2650,  
Cincinnati, OH 45202  
Office of the Executive Secretary,  
Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room  
4008, U.S. Department of Commerce,  
14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW.,  
Washington, DC 20230

Dated: March 14, 2001.

**Dennis Puccinelli,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

## International Trade Administration

## Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Requests for Revocations in Part

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty

Administrative Reviews and Requests for Revocations in Part.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (the Department) has received requests to conduct administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with February anniversary dates. In accordance with the Department's regulations, we are initiating those administrative reviews. The Department of Commerce also received a request to revoke two antidumping duty orders in part.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** March 22, 2001.

**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, NW., Washington, DC 20230, telephone: (202) 482-4737.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Background**

The Department has received timely requests, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(b)(2000), for administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with February anniversary dates. The Department also received timely requests to revoke in part the antidumping duty orders on Heavy Forged Hand Tools (axes/adzes, bars/wedges, hammers/sledges, and picks/mattocks) from the People's Republic of China and Stainless Steel Bar from India.

**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 February 28, 2002.