

the Western Region will convene at 10 a.m. (p.d.t.) and adjourn at 11:30 a.m., Friday, May 7, 2004. The purpose of the conference call is to discuss the status of the civil rights project being considered by the State Advisory Committee.

This conference call is available to the public through the following call-in number: 1-800-659-8294, access code number 23186014. Any interested member of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. Callers can expect to incur charges for calls not initiated using the provided call-in number or over wireless lines and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls using the call-in number over land-line connections. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-977-8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and access code.

To ensure that the Commission secures an appropriate number of lines for the public, persons are asked to register by contacting Thomas Pilla of the Western Regional Office, (213) 894-3437, by 3 p.m. on Thursday, May 6, 2004.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, April 16, 2004.

Ivy L. Davis,

Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.
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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the North Dakota Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a planning meeting with briefing of the North Dakota State Advisory Committee will convene at 1 p.m. (MDT) and adjourn at 3:30 p.m. (MDT), Tuesday, May 25, 2004. The purpose of the meeting with briefing is to consider a regional project on discrimination against Native Americans in reservation border towns. The Committee will also be briefed on civil rights issues in the state.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact John Dulles, Director of the Rocky Mountain Regional Office, (303) 866-1040 (TDD 303-866-1049). Hearing impaired persons who will attend the meeting

and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Subcommittees of Each Advisory Committee in the Western Region

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a conference call of the subcommittees of each Advisory Committee in the Western Region (Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Texas and Washington) will convene at 1 p.m. (p.d.t.) and adjourn at 2:30 p.m., Friday, May 14, 2004. The purpose of the conference call is to discuss regional civil rights issues and update information. This conference call is available to the public through the following call-in number: 1-800-659-8292, access code number 23186094. Any interested member of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. Callers can expect to incur charges for calls not initiated using the provided call-in number or over wireless lines and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls using the call-in number over land-line connections. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-977-8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and access code.

To ensure that the Commission secures an appropriate number of lines for the public, persons are asked to register by contacting Thomas Pilla of the Western Regional Office, (213) 894-3437, by 3 p.m. on Thursday, May 13, 2004.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Transportation and Related Equipment Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Open Meeting

The Transportation and Related Equipment Technical Advisory Committee will meet on May 18, 2004, 9:30 a.m., at the Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 3407, 14th Street between Pennsylvania & Constitution Avenues, NW., Washington, DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration with respect to technical questions which affect the level of export controls applicable to transportation and related equipment or technology.

Agenda

1. Opening remarks and introductions.
2. Review of Wassenaar Arrangement and Technical Working Group issues.
3. Review of Missile Technology Control Regime issues.
4. Update on Export Administration Regulations.
5. Update on status of U.S. Munitions List.
6. Update on status of current TransTAC proposals.
7. Discussion of Commerce Control List entries needing review for revalidation or change proposals.
8. Presentation of papers, proposals and comments by the public.

The meeting will be open to the public and a limited number of seats will be available. Reservations are not accepted. To the extent time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. Written statements may be submitted at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation materials to Committee members, the Committee suggests that you forward your public presentation materials two weeks prior to the meeting to Lee Ann Carpenter at Lcarpent@bis.doc.gov. For more information, please call Ms. Carpenter on (202) 482-2583.

Dated: April 19, 2004.

Lee Ann Carpenter,

Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

[Docket No. 040419121-4121-01]

Request for Public Comment on the Receipt by the Department of Commerce of a Written Petition Requesting the Imposition of Short Supply Export Controls and Monitoring on Recyclable Metallic Materials Containing Copper

AGENCY: Bureau of Industry and Security, Commerce.

ACTION: Request for comments on a petition requesting the imposition of short supply export controls.

SUMMARY: On April 7, 2004, the Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) received a written petition requesting the imposition of export monitoring and export controls on copper scrap and copper-alloy scrap; the petitioner also requested a public hearing on the issue. This notice describes the Department's intended proceeding on the petition, and invites public comment on the subject of the petition.

DATES: In order to ensure ample time for the consideration of the views of interested persons, the Department requests submission of initial written comments by May 13, 2004. Written comments that respond to the initial comments should be submitted by May 27, 2004. All written comments must be received by no later than 5 p.m. e.d.t. June 7, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Written comments (three copies) should be sent to Copper Short Supply Petition, Regulatory Policy Division, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 273, Washington, DC 20044. Alternatively, comments may be e-mailed to coppershortsupplypetition@bis.doc.gov. All public comments on the subject of this proceeding, including the petition, will be made a matter of public record and will be available for review on the BIS Web site at www.bis.doc.gov. If requesters cannot access the BIS Web site, please call the Regulatory Policy Division at (202) 482-2440 for assistance.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel O. Hill, Director of the Office of Strategic Industries and Economic

Security, Bureau of Industry and Security, who may be reached at (202) 482-4506.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the provisions of section 7(c) of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended (EAA) (50 U.S.C. app. 2406(c)), as implemented by section 754.7 of the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) (15 CFR 754.7), any entity, including a trade association, firm, or certified or recognized union or group of workers that is representative of an industry, or a substantial segment of an industry, that processes metallic materials capable of being recycled may file a petition with BIS requesting that the Department of Commerce impose monitoring on the export of such material, controls on the export of such material, or both, in order to carry out the policy set forth in section 3(2)(C) of the EAA.

On April 7, 2004, a petition was received from the member companies of the Copper & Brass Fabricators Council, Inc., and the Non-Ferrous Founders' Society requesting that the Department impose monitoring and controls on exports of recycled metallic materials containing copper pursuant to the provisions of section 7(c) of the EAA and section 754.7 of the EAR. The petitioner also requested that the Department hold a hearing on the subject of the petition.

In this notice, BIS is seeking comments on the justification for and merits of the actions requested in the petition, and the impact of such actions on affected exporters, the recyclable metallic metals industry, the recyclable copper industry, the economy, and the public at large. The commodities to be considered by the Department in this proceeding, identified by Schedule B number in the Statistical Classification of Domestic and Foreign Commodities Exported from the United States, are listed under subheadings 7404.00.0020, 7404.00.0045, 7404.00.0062, and 7404.00.0080.

Public Comments

To assist the Department in its evaluation of this petition, interested persons are encouraged to submit written comments and data regarding the criteria set forth in section 7(c)(3)(A)(i)-(v) of the EAA; the need for and consequences of export monitoring or controls at this time on one or more of the commodities under consideration; and any other matters that interested persons believe to be relevant to the subject of this proceeding. All written comments should contain an executive summary of no more than five (5) pages.

In order to take into account the views of all interested persons in making its determination, the Department encourages parties to submit their comments at the earliest possible date. Early submission will ensure that persons are able to address the areas identified by the Department as well as comment, expand upon, and, if applicable, rebut the comments submitted by other persons. To fulfill this objective, the Department will accept initial comments and comments that respond to previously submitted comments. The Department requests that initial comments be submitted by May 13, 2004. Written comments that respond to the initial comments should be submitted by May 27, 2004. The period for submission of written comments on the action under consideration will end as of 5 p.m. e.d.t. June 7, 2004.

Public Hearing

The Department has received a request for a hearing pursuant to the provisions of section 7(c)(2) of the EAA. Persons desiring to make presentations at the public hearing must make a written request to BIS at the address listed above. Requests must be filed by May 13, 2004. The request should contain a telephone number where the presenter can be reached before the hearing. All requests to make an oral presentation should describe the presenter's interest in the proceeding, explain why that person is an appropriate representative of a group or class of persons that has such an interest, and should enclose a concise summary of the proposed oral presentation. The Department will notify each person selected to be heard prior to the hearing. Persons selected to be heard should bring 25 copies of their statement to the hearing.

The Department will attempt to ensure that all interested parties have an opportunity to be heard at the public hearing. The Department reserves the right to select the persons to be heard at the hearing, to schedule their respective presentations, and to establish the procedures governing the conduct of the hearing. The length of each presentation will be limited. Only members of the Department's hearing panel may ask questions of the presenters.

The Department will provide more details on the procedures governing the conduct of the hearing in a notice to be published in the **Federal Register**.

Areas of Interest

Pursuant to the provisions of section 7(c) of the EAA, in making the determination as to whether to impose