or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 23, 2012.

#### Glenna Mickelson

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

# International Trade Administration [Application No. 97–11A003]

### **Export Trade Certificate of Review**

**ACTION:** Notice of Issuance of Application No. 97–11A003 of an Amended Export Trade Certificate to the Association for the Administration of Rice Quotas, Inc.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce issued an amended Export Trade Certificate of Review to the Association for the Administration of Rice Quotas, Inc., ("AARQ") on December 16, 2011. The previous amendment was issued to AARQ on March 11, 2010 and published in the Federal Register on March 26, 2010 (75 FR 14567). This is the eleventh amendment to the Certificate. The Association for the Administration of Rice Quotas, Inc. ("AARQ") original Certificate was issued on January 21, 1998 (63 FR 31738, June 10, 1998).

# **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Joseph Flynn, Director, Office of

Competition and Economic Analysis, International Trade Administration, (202) 482–5131 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at etca@trade.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Title III of the Export Trading Company Act of 1982 (15 U.S.C. 4001–21) authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to issue Export Trade Certificates of Review.

The U.S. Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration, Office of Competition and Economic Analysis ("OCEA") is issuing this notice pursuant to 15 CFR 325.6(b), which requires the Secretary of Commerce to publish a summary of the issuance in the **Federal Register.** Under Section 305(a) of the Export Trading Company Act (15 U.S.C. 4012(b)(1)) and 15 CFR 325.11(a), any person aggrieved by the Secretary's determination may, within 30 days of the date of this notice, bring

an action in any appropriate district court of the United States to set aside the determination on the ground that the determination is erroneous.

# **Description of Amended Certificate**

AARQ's Export Trade Certificate of Review has been amended to update the list of Members and to reflect changes in ownership, corporate structures, names and locations:

- 1. "American Rice, Inc., Houston, Texas (a subsidiary of SOS Corporation Alimentaria, SA)" was amended to read "American Rice, Inc., Houston, Texas (a subsidiary of Ebro Foods, S.A. (Spain))".
- 2. "Associated Rice Marketing Cooperative, Durham, California" was amended to read "Associated Rice Marketing Cooperative (ARMCO), Richvale, California".
- 3. "Busch Agricultural Resources, LLC, St. Louis, Missouri, and its subsidiary, Pacific International Rice Mills, LLC, Woodland, California" was amended to read "Bunge Milling, Saint Louis, Missouri (a subsidiary of Bunge North America, White Plains, New York), dba PIRMI (Pacific International Rice Mills), Woodland, California".
- 4. "Gulf Rice Arkansas, LLC (a subsidiary of Ansera Marketing, Inc.), Houston, Texas" was deleted, as Gulf Rice Arkansas II, LLC, a successor to Gulf Rice Arkansas, LLC, is now a subsidiary of another member, TRC Trading Corporation (see below).
- 5. "Louis Dreyfus Corporation, Wilton, Connecticut" was amended to read "LD Commodities Rice Merchandising LLC, Wilton, Connecticut, and LD Commodities Interior Rice Merchandising LLC, Kansas City, Missouri (subsidiaries of Louis Dreyfus Commodities LLC, Wilton, Connecticut)".

  6. "Nidera, Inc., Wilton, Connecticut
- 6. "Nidera, Inc., Wilton, Connecticut (a subsidiary of Nidera Handelscompagnie BV (Netherlands))" was amended to read "Nidera US LLC, Wilton, Connecticut (a subsidiary of Nidera Handelscompagnie BV (Netherlands))".
- 7. "Noble Logistics USA Inc., Portland, Oregon" was corrected to read "Noble Logistic USA Inc., Portland, Oregon".
- 8. "PS International, Ltd., Chapel Hill, North Carolina" was amended to read "PS International LLC dba PS International, Ltd., Chapel Hill, North Carolina (jointly owned by Seaboard Corporation, Kansas City, Missouri, and PS Trading Inc., Chapel Hill, North Carolina)".
- 9. "Riviana Foods Inc., Houston, Texas (a subsidiary of Ebro Puleva, S.A. (Spain)" was amended to read "Riviana Foods Inc., Houston, Texas (a subsidiary of Ebro Foods, S.A. (Spain))".
- 10. "TRC Trading Corporation, Roseville, California (a subsidiary of The Rice Company)" was amended to read "TRC Trading Corporation, Roseville, California (a subsidiary of TRC Group, Inc., Roseville, California) and its subsidiary, Gulf Rice Arkansas II, LLC, Houston, Texas".
- 11. "Veetee Rice, Inc., Springfield, Virginia (a subsidiary of Veetee Investments (Bahamas))" was amended to read "Veetee Rice Inc., Great Neck, New York (a subsidiary of Veetee Investments Corporation (Bahamas))".

The effective date of the amended certificate is December 16, 2011, the date on which AARQ's application to amend was deemed submitted. A copy of the amended certificate will be kept in the International Trade Administration's Freedom of Information Records Inspection Facility, Room 4001, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230.

Dated: March 22, 2012.

#### Joseph E. Flynn,

Director, Office of Competition and Economic Analysis.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

# National Institute of Standards and Technology

# Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; NIST Associates Information System

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before May 29, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at *jjessup@doc.gov*).

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Mary Clague, 301–975–4188, mary.clague@nist.gov.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Abstract

NIST Associates (NA) will include guest researchers, research associates, contractors, and other non-NIST employees that require access to the NIST campuses or NIST resources. The NIST Associates Information System (NAIS) information collection instrument(s) are completed by incoming NAs. The NAs will be requested to provide personal identifying data including home address, date and place of birth, employer name and address, and basic security information. The data provided by the collection instruments will be input into NAIS, which automatically populates the appropriate forms, and is routed through the approval process. NIST's Office of Security receives security forms through the NAIS process and is able to allow preliminary access to NAs to the NIST campuses or resources. The data collected will also be the basis for further security investigations as necessary.

# II. Method of Collection

The information is collected in paper format.

#### III. Data

*OMB Control Number:* None. *Form Numbers:* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission (new information collection).

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 4,000.

Estimated Time per Response: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,000.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0.

# **IV. Request for Comments**

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 22, 2012.

### Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

# National Institute of Standards and Technology

# Advisory Committee on Earthquake Hazards Reduction Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Advisory Committee on Earthquake Hazards Reduction (ACEHR or Committee), will hold a meeting via teleconference on Friday, April 27, 2012 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Eastern Time. The primary purpose of this meeting is to review the Committee's draft annual report to the NIST Director. Any draft meeting materials will be posted on the NEHRP Web site at <a href="http://nehrp.gov/">http://nehrp.gov/</a>. Interested members of the public will be able to participate in the meeting from remote locations by calling into a central phone number.

**DATES:** The ACEHR will hold a meeting via teleconference on Friday, April 27, 2012, from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: Questions regarding the meeting should be sent to National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 8604, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899–8604. For instructions on how to participate in the meeting, please see the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dr. Jack Hayes, National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 8604, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899–8604. Dr. Hayes' email address is *jack.hayes@nist.gov* and his phone number is (301) 975–5640.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee was established in accordance with the requirements of Section 103 of the NEHRP Reauthorization Act of 2004 (Pub. L. 108-360). The Committee is composed of 12 members appointed by the Director of NIST, who were selected for their technical expertise and experience, established records of distinguished professional service, and their knowledge of issues affecting the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program. In addition, the Chairperson of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee (SESAC) serves in an exofficio capacity on the Committee. The Committee assesses:

- Trends and developments in the science and engineering of earthquake hazards reduction;
- The effectiveness of NEHRP in performing its statutory activities (improved design and construction methods and practices; land use controls and redevelopment; prediction techniques and early-warning systems; coordinated emergency preparedness plans; and public education and involvement programs);
  - Any need to revise NEHRP; and
- The management, coordination, implementation, and activities of NEHRP.

Background information on NEHRP and the Advisory Committee is available at *http://nehrp.gov/*.

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app., notice is hereby given that the ACEHR will hold a meeting via teleconference on Friday, April 27, 2012, from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. Eastern Time. There will be no central meeting location. Interested members of the public will be able to participate in the meeting from remote locations by calling into a central phone number. The primary purpose of this meeting is to review the Committee's draft annual report to the NIST Director. Any draft meeting materials will be posted on the NEHRP Web site at http://nehrp.gov/.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to the Committee's affairs are invited to request detailed instructions by contacting Michelle Harman on how to dial in from a remote location to participate in the meeting. Michelle Harman's email address is michelle.harman@nist.gov, and her phone number is 301-975-5324. Approximately fifteen minutes will be reserved from 2:45 p.m.-3 p.m. Eastern Time for public comments; speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received, but is likely to be about 3 minutes each. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated, and those who were unable to participate are invited to submit written statements to the ACEHR, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, MS 8604, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-8604, via fax at (301) 975-5433, or electronically by email to info@nehrp.gov.

All participants of the meeting are required to pre-register. Anyone wishing to participate must register by close of