DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration [C-560-821, C-570-907, C-580-857]

Coated Free Sheet Paper from Indonesia, the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Korea: Notice of Postponement of Preliminary Determinations in the Countervailing Duty Investigations

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 29, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dana Mermelstein or Sean Carey (Indonesia), David Layton or David Neubacher (PRC), and Eric Greynolds or Darla Brown (Korea), AD/CVD Operations, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–0371 and (202) 482–5823, (202) 482–1391 and (202) 482–3964, and (202) 482–6071 and (202) 482–2849, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On November 20, 2006, the Department of Commerce (the Department) initiated the countervailing duty investigations of coated free sheet paper (CFS) from Indonesia, the People's Republic of China (PRC) and the Republic of Korea (Korea). See Notice of Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigations: Coated Free Sheet Paper From the People's Republic of China, Indonesia, and the Republic of Korea, 71 FR 68546 (November 27, 2006). Currently, the preliminary determinations are due no later than January 24, 2007.

Postponement of Due Date for Preliminary Determinations

On December 19, 2006, NewPage Corporation (petitioner) submitted letters requesting that the Department postpone the preliminary determinations of the countervailing duty investigations of CFS from Indonesia, the PRC and Korea by 65 days. Under section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act, the Department may extend the period for reaching a preliminary determination in a countervailing duty investigation until not later than the 130th day after the date on which the administering authority initiates an investigation if the petitioner makes a timely request for an extension of the period within which the determination must be made under subsection (b) (section 703(b) of the Act). Accordingly, we are extending the due date for the preliminary determinations by 65 days to no later than March 30, 2007.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 703(c)(2) of the Act.

Dated: December 22, 2006.

David M. Spooner,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award and Examiner Applications

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Commerce. **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 February 27, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to JoAnne M. Surette, Baldrige National Quality Program, Administration Building, Room 621, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 1020, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899–1020;

telephone (301) 975-5267, fax (301)

948–3716, e-mail *Joanne.surette@nist.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Department of Commerce is responsible for the Baldrige National Quality Program and the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award.

Directly associated with this Award is the Malcolm Baldrige Board of Examiners, an integral part of the National Quality Program. NIST, an agency of the Department's Technology Administration, manages the Baldrige Program. Applicants for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award are required to perform two steps: (1) the applicant organization certifies that it meets eligibility requirements; and (2) the applicant organization prepares and completes an application form and the application process. The Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award Program Office will assist with or offer advice on any questions or issues that the applicant may have concerning the eligibility process or in completing the self-certification forms. NIST will use the application package to assess and provide feedback on the applicant's quality and performance practices.

The application to be a member of the Malcolm Baldrige Board of Examiners is a one-step process. Each year the Award Program recruits highly skilled experts in the fields of manufacturing, service, small business, health care, and education, the five Award eligibility categories, to evaluate the applications that the Program receives. Examiners serve for a one-year term; participation on the board is entirely voluntary.

II. Method of Collection

Award applicants must comply in writing according to the Baldrige Award Application Forms available at http://www.baldrige.nist.gov/Award_Application.htm.

The application for the 2007 Board of Examiners can be found at http://www.baldrige.nist.gov/Examiner_Application.htm.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0693–0006. Form Number: None. Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business or other forprofit organizations; not-for profit institutions; and individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 900 (Award, 100; and Board of Examiners, 800.

Estimated Time Per Response: Applications for the Malcolm Baldrige Quality Award, 74 hours; and Applications for Board of Examiners, 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 7.800.

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: December 22, 2006.

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Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Inventions Available for Licensing

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of inventions available for licensing.

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are owned in whole or in part by the U.S. Government, as represented by the Department of Commerce. The U.S. Government's ownership interest in the inventions are available for licensing in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 207 and 37 CFR Part 404 to achieve expeditious commercialization of results of federally funded research and development.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Technical and licensing information on these inventions may be obtained by writing to: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Office of Technology Partnerships, Attn: Mary Clague, Building 222, Room A155, Gaithersburg, MD 20899. Information is also available via telephone: 301–975–4188, fax 301–869–2751, or e-mail: mary.clague@nist.gov. Any request for information should include the NIST Docket number and title for the invention as indicated below.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NIST may enter into a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) with the licensee to perform further research

on the invention for purposes of commercialization. The inventions available for licensing are:

[NIST Docket Number: 04-014]

Title: Ultra-Wideband Moisture Detector for Building Assemblies.

Abstract: This invention is jointly owned by the U.S. Government, as represented by the Department of Commerce, and Intelligent Automation, Inc. The invention consists of an antenna array, ultra-wideband radios, signal processing chips, and software. The resulting device allows a user to scan a wall assembly to determine areas of potential moisture accumulation. The software uses the signals received at the antenna array to generate real-time images of the moisture state of the wall. Additional applications for this invention include location of pipes, wires, and studs in walls.

[NIST Docket Number: 05-013]

Title: Iris Digester-Evaporator Interface.

Abstract: The domestic rights within the United States to this invention are owned by the U.S. Government, as represented by the Department of Commerce. The IRIS Digester-Evaporator interface was invented to overcome problems encountered when an inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (ICP-MS) was coupled directly to the continuous flow from reversed phase liquid chromatography. The main problems encountered were: high background signal, first increasing and then decreasing in magnitude during the course of a chromatographic gradient of organic solvent, analyte transport difficulties, and carbon build up on the ICP-MS sampling cones from organic solvents. This device produces partial digestion of the sample using nitric acid, aiding analyte transport and detection. After evaporating the organic solvent and nitric acid, the device allows the sample to be sent to ICP-MS in a highly aqueous effluent, the preferred solvent. Through this process, a continuous flow from reverse phase liquid chromatography systems with gradient elution can be easily handled by existing ICP-MS instruments.

Dated: December 20, 2006.

James E. Hill,

Acting Deputy Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

[Docket No.: 061212329-6329-01]

Proposed Voluntary Product Standard PS 1–06, Structural Plywood

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is distributing a proposed revision of Voluntary Product Standard (PS) 1–95, Construction and Industrial Plywood. This standard, prepared by the Standing Committee for PS 1, establishes requirements, for those who choose to adhere to the standard, for the principal types and grades of structural plywood and provides a basis for common understanding among producers, distributors, and users of the product. Interested parties are invited to review the proposed standard and submit comments to NIST.

DATES: Written comments regarding the proposed revision, PS 1–06, should be submitted to the Standards Services Division, NIST, no later than February 27, 2007.

Adobe Acrobat File) of the proposed standard, PS 1–06, can be obtained at the following Web site ts.nist.gov/docvps. This site also includes an electronic copy of PS 1–95 (the existing standard), a summary of significant changes, and a form for submitting comments. Written comments on the proposed revision should be submitted to Ms. JoAnne Overman, Standards Services Division, NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 2100, Gaithersburg, MD 20899–2100. Electronic comments may be submitted to

joanne.overman@nist.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. JoAnne Overman, Standards Services Division, National Institute of Standards and Technology, telephone: (301) 975–4037; fax: 301–975–4715, e-mail: joanne.overman@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Proposed Voluntary Product Standard PS 1–06 establishes requirements, for those who choose to adhere to the standard, for the principal types and grades of structural plywood. This standard covers the wood species, veneer grading, adhesive bonds, panel construction and workmanship, dimensions and tolerances, marking, moisture content,