DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
[Docket No. BOEM–2013–0083]

Notice of Determination of No Competitive Interest for the WindFloat Pacific Project Offshore Oregon; MMAA104000

AGENCY: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice provides BOEM’s determination that there is no competitive interest in the area requested by Principle Power, Incorporated (PPI) to acquire an Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) commercial wind lease as described in the Potential Commercial Leasing for Wind Power on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Offshore Oregon, Request for Interest (RFI) that BOEM published on September 30, 2013 (78 FR 59968). The RFI described the WindFloat Pacific Project proposal submitted to BOEM by PPI to acquire a commercial wind lease on the OCS offshore Oregon, and provided an opportunity for the public to submit comments about the proposal.

DATES: Effective February 6, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Jean Thurston, Renewable Energy Program Specialist, BOEM, Pacific Region Office of Strategic Resources, 770 Paseo Camarillo, Second Floor, Camarillo, California 93010, Phone: (805) 384–7585.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

This Determination of No Competitive Interest (DNCI) is published pursuant to subsection 8(p)(3) of the OCS Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1337(p)(3)), and the implementing regulations at 30 CFR Part 585. Subsection 8(p)(3) of the OCS Lands Act requires that OCS renewable energy leases, easements, and rights-of-way be issued “on a competitive basis unless the Secretary of the Interior determines after public notice of a proposed lease, easement, or right-of-way (ROW) that there is no competitive interest.” The Secretary delegated the authority to make such determinations to BOEM.

Determination and Next Steps

This DNCI provides notice to the public that BOEM has determined there is no competitive interest in the proposed lease area, as no indications of competitive interest were submitted in response to the RFI.

In the RFI, BOEM also solicited public input regarding the area described in the notice, the potential environmental consequences of wind energy development in the area, and multiple uses of the area. In response to the RFI, BOEM received public comment submissions from 18 entities. BOEM will use the comments it received to inform its subsequent decisions. After publication of this DNCI, BOEM will proceed with the noncompetitive lease issuance process outlined at 30 CFR 585.231.

Map of the Area

A map of the area proposed for a commercial lease can be found at the following Web site: http://www.boem.gov/Oregon/.

Dated: January 17, 2014.

Tommy P. Beaudreau,
Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background.—These investigations are being instituted in response to a petition filed on Friday, January 31, 2014, by ArcelorMittal USA LLC, Chicago, IL; Charter Steel, Saukville, WI; Evraz Rocky Mountain Steel, Pueblo, CO; Gerdau Ameristeel U.S., Inc., Tampa, FL; Keystone Consolidated Industries, Inc., Dallas, TX; and Nucor Corporation, Charlotte, NC. Participation in the investigation and public service list.—Persons (other than petitioners) wishing to participate in the investigations as parties must file an entry of appearance with the Secretary to the Commission, as provided in sections 201.11 and 207.10 of the Commission’s rules, not later than seven days after publication of this notice in the Federal Register. Industrial users and (if the matter under investigation is sold at the retail level) representative consumer organizations and are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value. Unless the Department of Commerce extends the time for initiation pursuant to sections 702(c)(1)(B) or 732(c)(1)(B) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1671a(c)(1)(B) or 1673a(c)(1)(B)), the Commission must reach a preliminary determination in antidumping and countervailing duty investigations in 45 days, or in this case by Monday, March 17, 2014. The Commission’s views must be transmitted to Commerce within five business days thereafter, or by Monday, March 24, 2014.

For further information concerning the conduct of these investigations and rules of general application, consult the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, part 201, subparts A through E (19 CFR Part 201), and part 207, subparts A and B (19 CFR Part 207).

DATES: Effective Date: Friday, January 31, 2014.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
[Investigation Nos. 701–TA–512 and 731–TA–1248 (Preliminary)]

Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod From China; Institution of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Investigations and Scheduling of Preliminary Phase Investigations


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission hereby gives notice of the institution of investigations and commencement of preliminary phase antidumping and countervailing duty investigation Nos. 701–TA–512 and 731–TA–1248 (Preliminary) under sections 703(a) and 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1671b(a) and 1673b(a)) (the Act) to determine whether there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury, or the establishment of an industry in the United States is materially retarded, by reason of imports from China of carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod, provided for in subheadings 7213.91.3093, 7213.91.4500, 7213.91.6000, 7213.99.0030, 7227.20.0030, 7227.20.0060, 7227.90.6010, 7227.90.6020, 7227.90.6030, and 7227.90.6050 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be subsidized by the Government of China and are allegedly sold to be sold in the United States at less than fair value. Unless the Department of Commerce extends the time for initiation pursuant to sections 702(c)(1)(B) or 732(c)(1)(B) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1671a(c)(1)(B) or 1673a(c)(1)(B)), the Commission must reach a preliminary determination in antidumping and countervailing duty investigations in 45 days, or in this case by Monday, March 17, 2014. The Commission’s views must be transmitted to Commerce within five business days thereafter, or by Monday, March 24, 2014.