SUMMARY: This is an amendment of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Texas (FEMA–1624–DR), dated 01/11/2006.

Incident: Extreme Wildfire Threat. Incident Period: 12/01/2005 and continuing.

Effective Date: 03/17/2006.
Physical Loan Application Deadline
Date: 04/12/2006.

EIDL Loan Application Deadline Date: 10/11/2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, National Processing And Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of the Presidential disaster declaration for the State of Texas, dated 01/11/2006 is hereby amended to include the following areas as adversely affected by the disaster:

Primary Counties:

Anderson; Bastrop; Deaf Smith; Parker.

Contiguous Counties:

New Mexico: Curry; Quay.
Texas: Caldwell; Castro; Cherokee;
Fayette; Freestone; Henderson;
Houston; Lee; Leon; Oldham
Parmer; Potter; Randall; Travis;
Williamson.

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008.)

Herbert L. Mitchell,

 $Associate \ Administrator for \ Disaster \\ Assistance.$

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Small Business Size Standards: Waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Notice of denial to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Water Treatment Chemicals.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is denying a request for a waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Water Treatment Chemicals based on our recent discovery of small business manufacturers for these classes of products. Denying this waiver will require recipients of contracts set aside for small businesses, service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses, or SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program to provide the products of small business manufacturers or processors on such contracts.

DATES: This notice of denial is effective April 10, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Edith Butler, Program Analyst, by telephone at (202) 619–0422; by FAX at (202) 481–1788; or by e-mail at edith.butler@sba.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 8(a)(17) of the Small Business Act (Act), 15 U.S.C. 637(a)(17), requires that recipients of Federal contracts set aside for small businesses, service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses, or SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program provide the product of a small business manufacturer or processor, if the recipient is other than the actual manufacturer or processor of the product. This requirement is commonly referred to as the Nonmanufacturer Rule.

The SBA regulations imposing this requirement are found at 13 CFR 121.406(b). Section 8(a)(17)(b)(iv) of the

Act authorizes SBA to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for any "class of products" for which there are no small business manufacturers or processors available to participate in the Federal market.

As implemented in SBA's regulations at 13 CFR 121.1202(c), in order to be considered available to participate in the Federal market for a class of products, a small business manufacturer must have submitted a proposal for a contract solicitation or received a contract from the Federal government within the last 24 months. The SBA defines "class of products" based on a six digit coding system. The coding system is the Office of Management and Budget North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

The SBA received a request on December 12, 2005 to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Water Treatment Chemicals. In response, on January 18, 2006, SBA published in the Federal Register a notice of intent to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Water Treatment Chemicals, SBA explained in the notice that it was soliciting comments and sources of small business manufacturers of these classes of products. In response to that January 18, 2006 notice, SBA received comments from small business manufacturers indicating that they have furnished these products to the Federal government. Accordingly, based on the available information, SBA has determined that there are small business manufacturers of these classes of products, and, is therefore denying the class waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Water Treatment Chemicals, NAICS codes 325188 and 325199.

Dated: March 20, 2006.

Karen C. Hontz,

Associate Administrator for Government Contracting.

ATTACHMENT A: PRODUCT LISTING

SIN 524-2 FUEL OIL TREATMENT CHEMICALS FuelSolv MGP3275 FuelSolv FS915 FuelSolv FS917 FuelSolv PB901. FuelSolv FS916 FuelSolv OMG8500 SIN 524-2 BOILER TREATMENT CHEMICALS Aguamax IEC2 OptiGuard MCA624 Optisperse CPS501 Steamate NA2140. Aquamax IEC800 RediFeed OptiGuard Optisperse CPS502 Steamate NA2260. CorTrol IS100 MCA630 Optisperse CPS503 Steamate NA700. CorTrol IS102 OptiGuard MCM610 Optisperse CPS504 Steamate NA701. CorTrol IS103 RediFeed OptiGuard Optisperse PO400 Steamate NA702. Optisperse PO423 MCM955 CorTrol IS104 Steamate NA703. CorTrol IS3000 OptiGuard MCP600 Optisperse PO424 Steamate NA707. CorTrol OS131 OptiGuard MCP601 Optisperse SP530 Steamate NA711. RediFeed OptiGuard Optisperse SP531 CorTrol OS133 Steamate NA713. MCP953 Optisperse SP532 CorTrol OS5300 Steamate NA715.

ATTACHMENT A: PRODUCT LISTING—Continued			
CorTrol OS7780	Optisperse ADJ560 Optisperse ADJ561 Optisperse APO200 Optisperse APO520 Optisperse AP301 Optisperse AP302 Optisperse CL361 Optisperse CL362 Optisperse CL363 Optisperse CPS500	Steamate FM760 Steamate FM761 Steamate FM1000 Steamate NA0240 Steamate NA0540	
SIN 524–2 COOLING WATER TREATMENT CHEMICALS			
Continuum AEC213 Continuum AEC216 Continuum AEC217 Continuum AEC218 Continuum AEC223 Continuum AEC225 Continuum AEC230 Continuum AEC231 Continuum AEC231 Continuum AEC31 Continuum AEC32 Continuum AT201 Continuum AT202 Continuum AT203 Continuum AT203 Continuum AT205 Continuum AT209 Continuum AT209 Continuum AT200 Depositrol PY505	Depositrol PY5200 Depositrol SF502 Depositrol SF504 Dianodic DN300 Dianodic DN302 Dianodic DN310 Ferroquest LP7200 Ferroquest LP7202 FloGard POT802 FloGard POT807 FoamTrol AF2290 FoamTrol AF724 FoamTrol AF1440	Inhibitor AZ604 Inhibitor AZ660 Inhibitor AZ8101 Inhibitor PM508 Inhibitor PM608 Inhibitor PM609 Inhibitor PM610 Kleen AC9507 RediFeed Continuum AT901 RediFeed Continuum AT902 RediFeed Spectrus OX903 Spectrus BD152 Spectrus BD1550 Spectrus NX102 Spectrus NX104	Spectrus NX106. Spectrus NX108. Spectrus NX110. Spectrus NX1104. Spectrus NX112. Spectrus NX114. Spectrus NX122. Spectrus OX101. Spectrus OX105. Spectrus OX903. Spectrus OX909. Spectrus OX10201. Spectrus OX105. Spectrus OX909. Spectrus OX105. Spectrus OX909. Spectrus OX1201. Spectrus OX1240.
SIN 524–2 CLOSED SYSTEM TREATMENT CHEMICALS			
Corrshield MD400Corrshield MD407	Corrshield NT402 Corrshield NT403 Corrshield NT411	Corrshield OR404 Ferroquest FQ7101	Ferroquest FQ7102. Ferroquest FQ7103.
SIN 524–2 MULTI FUNCTION PRODUCTS			
AE 1128P	KlarAid IC 1172P KlarAid PC 1192P KlarAid PC 1195P PolyFloc AE 1115 PolyFloc AP 1100 PolyFloc AP 1120P	ProSweet OC2532. ProSweet OC2533. ProSweet OC2534. ProSweet OC2543.	

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5351]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Forms DS-1998 and DS-1998E, Foreign Service Written Examination Registration Form, OMB Control Number 1405-0008

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment in the **Federal Register** preceding submission to OMB. We are conducting this process in

accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

- *Title of Information Collection:* Registration for the Foreign Service Officer Written Examination.
 - OMB Control Number: 1405–0008.
- *Type of Request:* Revision of a Currently Approved Collection.
- Originating Office: Human Resources, HR/REE/BEX.
- Form Number: DS-1998 & DS-1998-E.
- Respondents: Registrants for the Foreign Service Written Examination.
- Estimated Number of Respondents: 35.147.
- Estimated Number of Responses: 35.147.
- Average Hours Per Response: 20 minutes.
- *Total Estimated Burden:* 11,716 hours.
 - Frequency: Annually.
- Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain a benefit.

DATES: The Department will accept comments from the public up to 60 days from March 24, 2006.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- E-mail: deanmm@state.gov.
- Mail (paper, disk, or CD–ROM submissions): Margaret Dean, HR/REE/BEX, SA–1, 2401 E Street, NW., H–518, Washington, DC 20522.
- $\bullet\,$ Fax: (202) 261–8843, Att: Margaret Dean.

You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and OMB control number in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed information collection and supporting documents, to Margaret Dean, HR/REE/BEX, SA-1, 2401 E Street, NW., H-518, Washington,