

treatment for apparel articles that are both cut (or knit-to-shape) and sewn or otherwise assembled in one or more ATPDEA beneficiary countries from fabric or yarn that is not formed in the United States or a beneficiary country, if it has been determined that such fabric or yarn cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. Pursuant to Executive Order No. 13277 (67 FR 70305) and the United States Trade Representative's Notice of Redesignation of Authority and Further Assignment of Functions (67 FR 71606), the President's authority to determine whether yarns or fabrics cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner under the ATPDEA is exercised by CITA.

On March 17, 2003, the Chairman of CITA received a petition from Breaker Jeanswear/ARC International of Miami, Florida, alleging that certain dyed cotton corduroy fabrics, (see Annex I for product specifications), classified in subheading 5801.22.90 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS), for use in apparel articles including men's and boys' jackets and pants, women's and girls' jackets, dresses, skirts, shorts, and pants, cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner and requesting quota- and duty-free treatment under the ATPDEA for apparel articles that are both cut and sewn in one or more ATPDEA beneficiary countries from such fabrics.

On March 24, 2003, CITA solicited public comments regarding this request, particularly with respect to whether these fabrics can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. On April 10, 2003, CITA and the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative offered to hold consultations with the relevant Congressional committees. We also requested the advice of the U.S. International Trade Commission and the relevant Industry Sector Advisory Committees.

CITA has determined that certain dyed cotton corduroy fabrics, classified in subheading 5801.22.90 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS), for use in apparel articles including men's and boys' jackets and pants, women's and girls' jackets, dresses, skirts, shorts, and pants, can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a

timely manner. Breaker Jeanswear/ARC International's request is denied.

**D. Michael Hutchinson,**

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

**Annex I**

**Product Specifications:**

1. Dyed Corduroy Fabric:
 

Fiber Composition:	100 % cotton
Fabric weight:	271 g/m <sup>2</sup> (grams per square meter)
Construction:	Woven 20 x 45, 16s x 16s 6 - 8 wales per centimeter
2. Dyed Corduroy Fabric:
 

Fiber Composition(s):	98% cotton, 2% spandex
Fabric weight:	97% cotton, 3% spandex 271g/m <sup>2</sup> (grams per square meter)
Construction:	Woven 20 x 45, 16s x 16s plus 70 denier (spandex) 6-8 wales per centimeter

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**Million Solar Roofs Initiative Small Grant Program for State and Local Partnerships**

**AGENCY:** Golden Field Office, U.S. Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of solicitation for financial assistance applications.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), pursuant to the DOE Financial Assistance Rules, 10 CFR 600.8, is announcing its intention to solicit applications from State and Local Partnerships under the Million Solar Roofs (MSR) Program. DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy will consider proposals from interested State and Local Partnerships to help fund their MSR program development and implementation activities.

**DATES:** The solicitation will be issued early May 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** A copy of the solicitation will be accessible through the Golden Field Office Home Page at <http://www.go.doe.gov/businessopportunities.html> under "Solicitations." The Golden Home Page will provide direct access to the solicitation and provide instructions on using the DOE Industry Interactive Procurement System (IIPS) Web site. The solicitation can also be obtained

directly through IIPS at <http://e-center.doe.gov/> by browsing opportunities by Program Office for those solicitations issued by the Golden Field Office. DOE will not issue hard copies of the solicitation.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

James McDermott, Contacting Officer, at 215-656-6976 or electronically at [james.mcdermott@ee.doe.gov](mailto:james.mcdermott@ee.doe.gov). Responses to questions will be posted on the DOE IIPS website.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Energy's MSR Initiative is an initiative to support State and Local Partnerships who agree to install solar energy systems on one million buildings in the United States (U.S.) by 2010. This effort includes two types of solar energy technology: (1) Solar electric (photovoltaic) systems that produce electricity from sunlight, and (2) solar thermal systems panels that produce heat for domestic hot water, for space heating or for heating swimming pools. The Partnerships bring together business, government and community organizations at the regional level with a commitment to install a pre-determined number (at least 500) of solar energy systems.

A complete description of partnerships and their representative activities can be found on the MSR Web site at <http://www.MillionSolarRoofs.org>.

Applications under the solicitation must further the work of State and Local Partnerships, including partners in the building industry, state and local governments, utilities, the solar energy industry, financial institutions and non-governmental organizations, to remove market barriers to solar energy use and to develop and strengthen local demand for solar energy products and applications.

There are two types of grants available: Phase 1—New Partnership grants, and Phase 2—Meeting the Commitment grants. Only one application may be submitted per partnership in one or the other of the categories, but not both. Partnerships that have been awarded prior MSR partnership grants in the past may not apply for a Phase 1—New Partnership grant. Newly formed or existing partnerships that have not received prior MSR grants may apply for a Phase 1—New Partnership grant. Any partnership with the prerequisites may apply for a Phase 2—Meeting the Commitment grant.

The project or activity must be conducted in a designated MSR State and Local Partnership area. There is no cost sharing requirement for these