

as well as individuals and organizations are aware of how they may participate and contribute to the final decision. The information received will be used in preparing a final EIS.

**Permits or Licenses Required:** In order to implement the project, the proponent, Twin Mining Corporation, must obtain approval or conduct consultation with several other federal, state, and local regulatory agencies. These agencies include: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Environmental Protection Agency, Army Corps of Engineers, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, Idaho Department of Water Resources, Idaho State Historic Preservation Officer and Elmore County, Idaho.

**Comments Requested:** This notice of intent initiates the scoping process, which guides the development of the environmental impact statement. The Forest Services invites written comments and suggestions on the scope of the analysis. Initial comments should be postmarked within 30 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes this announcement in the **Federal Register**.

**Early Notice on Importance of Public Participation in Subsequent Environmental Review:** A draft environmental impact statement will be prepared. The comment period on the draft environmental impact statement will be 45 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes the notice of availability in the **Federal Register**.

The Forest Service believes, at this early stage, it is important to give reviewers notice of court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of draft environmental impact statements must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions (*Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978)). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the draft environmental impact statement stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final environmental impact statement may be waived or dismissed by the courts (*City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980)). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the 45 days comment period so that substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time

when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final environmental impact statement.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft environmental impact statement should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft environmental impact statement or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

Comments received, including the names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposal and will be available for public inspection.

Dated: July 1, 2003.

**Jeff Schramm,**

*Acting District Ranger.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of the Census

[Docket Number 030619157-0157-01]

#### **Discontinuance of the Whole-Block Count Program for Certifying Population and Housing Unit Counts Resulting from Boundary Changes Since Census 2000**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of termination of temporary program.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of the Census (Census Bureau) publishes this notice to announce the termination of the Whole-Block Count Program, which was the temporary method of certification offered from June 1, 1998, to January 3, 2003. The Census Bureau terminates the Whole-Block Count Program due to the implementation of the Geographically Updated Population Certification Program. This new program is the Census Bureau's update service for certifying population and housing unit counts for areas where the boundaries have changed from those used to tabulate the immediately preceding decennial census.

**DATES:** The Census Bureau terminates the Whole-Block Count Program as of July 10, 2003.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Since the 1970 decennial census, and following every decennial census thereafter, the Census Bureau has provided the opportunity for county, local, and tribal governments to obtain certified population and housing unit counts for areas where their boundaries have changed from those used to tabulate the immediately preceding decennial census. Such boundary changes are the result of annexations, incorporations, or mergers of existing governmental units, which typically include counties, boroughs, cities, towns, villages, townships, and federally recognized American Indian reservations.

The Census Bureau earlier issued a notice of final rulemaking in the **Federal Register** on this subject (67 FR 72095; December 4, 2002). This rule established the Geographically Updated Population Certification Program as the official process for providing geographically updated population certifications (see Title 15 CFR §50.60). It also amended Title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, to provide further detail on the subject of intercensal geographic certifications. Since this new program replaces the Whole-Block Count Program in its entirety, the Census Bureau is terminating the Whole-Block Count Program. The program was temporary in nature and not required by any law.

Dated: July 2, 2003.

**Charles Louis Kincannon,**

*Director, Bureau of the Census.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-412-822]

#### **Stainless Steel Bar From the United Kingdom: Notice of Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of partial rescission of antidumping duty administrative review.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** July 10, 2003.