Folklore Handicraft Textile Products—Continued

3. Embroidered Blouse: Hand cut and hand sewn blouse with extensive hand embroidery on the upper front and lower portions.

- Embroidered Skirt: Hand cut and hand 4. sewn skirt with extensive hand embroidery.
- 5. Blankets, Hand Woven: These colorful blankets are hand woven from wool, cotton or wool and cotton, heavy yarns to form striped or block patterns. The ends may be finished with spangles formed by the ends of the yarn and knotted, or may be hemmed.
- 6. Indian Embroidered Cloth: Cloth panels hand embroidered with various crude and colorful Indian scenes. Generally these cloths are used as wall hang-
- 7. Typical Colombia Dress: An ankle length dress with a very wide skirt trimmed with wide handmade lace. The entire dress is hand cut and hand sewn and is a typical dress for gaiety affairs.
- Typical Guajira Dress: A traditional 8. loose fitting women's garment formed by a folded rectangular piece of fabric with a hole or slot in the center for the head, with intricate embroidery around the neck. This dress is made similar to a ruana, but has the outer edges sewn together except for slots for the hands and arms, and has closures on the front.
- 9. Typical Mapale Dress: A knee length dress consisting of very wide skirt having a row of heavy ruffles around the blouse portion and two bands of wide ruffles forming the skirt. A very gay colored festival dress.
- Typical Mestiza Dress: A native hand-10. made dress with wide neckline, ruffled collar and wide skirt and with ruffles on the lower part of the skirt.
- Hammock: Multicolored stripped ham-11. mocks made by hand from coarse fabrics. Ends are formed and reinfored with strong rope.
- Jacket, hand knitted. Wholly hand knit-12. ted jacket. These jackets are usually knitted from wool yarns. Patched pockets, also hand knitted, are hand sewn to the garment.
- Jacket of hand loomed fabric: These 13. jackets are wholly hand made from hand loomed fabrics. Patched pockets, also of hand loomed fabric, are hand sewn to the garment.

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- 14. Ruana: A cloak made from a heavy rectangular piece of fabric or a blanket with hole in the center for the head to pass through. This is a typical garment worn by men, women and children throughout the higher and cooler altitudes of Colombia. The men's ruana will generally have no fringes. Women's ruanas may have fringes and are sometimes slit from the neck opening to the edge to permit the wearer to put it on as a cape. Children's ruanas sometimes have a color around the opening with draw strings for a close fit. These garments are sometimes known as ponchos.
- Rugs, hand woven or hand knotted: These rugs are usually made from wool yarns and are either wholly hand woven or hand knotted. They are generally square or rectangular in shape and are in colorful designs.
- Macrame Shawl: Hand made shawls wholly of macrame lace or with macrame lace edge. The shawls are in various colors with the typical long fringe around the lower edges.
- 17. Sweaters and Cardigans, hand knitted: Wholly hand knitted sweaters and cardigans, generally a bulky knit with decorative vertical patterns.
- Table Cloths and Napkins, embroidered. Table cloths and napkins cut and hemmed by hand and extensively embroidered by hand.
- Colorful waist band: Hand plaited waist bands in multicolors. These are sometimes sewn together to form wide bands.
- 20. Wall hangings, rectangular: A colorful wall hanging made from coarse yarns connected to decorative crudely woven bands. These are hand made and come in various sizes.
- Wall hanging, tree: Tree shaped wall hangings formed by connecting together crudely woven bands in graduated sizes with coarse yarns to form the outline of a tree. The wall hanging is decorated with small balls of cotton fiber.
- Color Knapsack: Knapsack Indian made with belt like woven or plaited strap and multicolored bag, to be worn on the shoulder.
- Pillow Covers, Embroidered by hand: Covers for throw pillow containing extensive hand embroidery covering 50 percent or more of the outer surface of the cover.
- 24. Hand made macrame handbags

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- Molas: Hand appliqued layers of different colors, forming geometric and abstract designs, made of cotton material.
- Santa Rosa Tapestries, Bedspreads 26. and Pillowcases: Tapestries, bedspreads and pillowcases, of vivid colors, with hand appliqued figures forming landscapes and folk scenes, made of cotton material.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

DOE Request for an Additional 45 Days to Respond to Defense Nuclear **Facilities Safety Board** Recommendation 95-2, Safety Management

AGENCY: Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: Section 315(b) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 2286d(b) requires the Department of Energy to publish its response to Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board recommendations for notice and public comment. The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board published Recommendation 95–2 concerning Safety Management in the Federal Register on October 19, 1995 (60 FR 54065). The Department of Energy (DOE) hereby publishes notice of a request for 45-days additional time to respond to Recommendation 95-2 as allowed by the statute cited above.

DATES: Comments, data, views, or arguments concerning the Secretary's request are due on or before January 10, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Send comments, data, views, or arguments concerning the Secretary's response to: Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, 625 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Peter N. Brush, Principal Deputy, Assistant Secretary for Environmental, Safety and Health, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on December 1, 1995.

Mark B. Whitaker,

Departmental Representative to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

The Secretary of Energy

December 1, 1995.

The Honorable John T. Conway, Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, Suite 700, 625 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20004.

Dear Chairman Conway: This letter acknowledges receipt of your Recommendation 95–2 regarding Safety Management. The issues identified in the Recommendation are extensive and may have significant impact on many of our existing and developing programs and initiatives. Accordingly, the Department will require additional time to evaluate fully these crosscutting issues and their impact from both a headquarters and field perspective.

In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 2286d, the Department requests an additional 45 days to respond to Recommendation 95–2. If a 45 day extension is granted, the Department will respond to the Board by January 17, 1996.

Sincerely,

Hazel R. O'Leary

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Privatization of Isotope Activities; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE). **ACTION:** Notice for Expressions of Interest.

SUMMARY: Expressions of Interest are sought concerning the possible privatization of DOE isotope activities such as selling or leasing existing DOE facilities for commercial use; sale of existing isotope inventory; isotope marketing, distribution, or technical services; and other innovative arrangements for enhanced private sector involvement in isotope operations.

DATES: This notice is effective on the date of publication and will remain effective until February 23, 1996. Responses may be submitted at any time prior to February 23, 1996. An information meeting addressing this notice will be held at the DOE facility in Germantown, Maryland, from 9:00 a.m. until noon on January 10, 1996. Information packages distributed during the January 10, 1996, meeting will be made available to interested parties after January 11, 1996. Submit requests to the programmatic information contact listed below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for programmatic information should be directed to: Mr. Owen W. Lowe, U.S. Department of Energy, Isotope Production and Distribution, NE–70 (GTN), 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874, (301) 903–5161.

Expressions of Interest (original plus five copies), citing this notice, should be

postmarked by February 23, 1996, and mailed to: U.S. Department of Energy, Document Control Specialist, HR–562, Headquarters Procurement Operations, 1615 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Purpose

II. Areas of DOE Interest

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I. Purpose

The DOE Isotope Program has a twofold mission. First, the Isotope Program produces and distributes certain radioisotopes and enriched stable isotopes for research or development purposes. Prices for these isotopes are set at a level designed to balance cost recovery with the national priority of meeting U.S. research needs and supporting our health care system. Second, other radioisotopes and enriched stable isotopes are produced and distributed for medical diagnostics and therapeutics, industrial, agricultural, and other useful applications on a cost-recovery basis.

The DOE Isotope Program currently produces isotopes at six locations in the United States. The isotope products and related services from these sites are provided only where: a) there is no existing domestic, private sector capability; b) unique Government facilities are needed to provide such a capacity; or c) other productive capacity is insufficient to meet pressing national needs. While continuing to assure that a reliable supply exists, DOE is encouraging privatization of DOE Isotope Program activities in order to fulfill the DOE Isotope Program's missions at a reduced cost to isotope customers and the Nation's taxpayers by greater involvement of the private sector. This notice is not intended to be a solicitation for proposals. Instead, it is an attempt to obtain information and to identify interested private sector participants in the possible privatization of some or all DOE isotope activities. Activities that fall under the scope of this notice include, but are not limited to, selling or leasing existing DOE facilities for commercial use; sale of existing isotope inventory; isotope marketing, distribution, or technical services; and other innovative arrangements for private sector isotope operations. Depending on the nature of the responses and subsequent determinations by DOE, a formal solicitation for competitive proposals may be published in the future, and awards may be made based upon an evaluation of proposals received pursuant to the evaluation criteria as stated in the solicitation.

II. Areas of DOE Interest

DOE is seeking to encourage innovative Expressions of Interest for privatization. Expressions of Interest should be structured to address:

- 1. The development or deployment of isotope production, distribution, and services in terms of:
- a. A significant decrease over the cost of current methods through a substantial reduction in the cost of manufacturing by use of more efficient methods or technology.

b. Feasibility of approach consistent with proposed cost. The Expression of Interest must demonstrate a knowledgeable approach and an appreciation of risks.

- 2. Probability of success: Clarity of objectives and quality of approach. The approach should be based on well-defined objectives, milestones, and deliverables. The approach should contain a reasonable and practical plan for providing the maximum private sector participation on a financial and managerial basis and at the least cost to the Government.
- 3. The appropriateness of the facilities and techniques. The need for (and availability of) facilities, equipment, design and manufacturing tools; technical, financial, and administrative resources; and the protection of intellectual property.

III. Expression of Interest Format

The length of the Expression of Interest should not be more than 15 pages (double spaced) using a 12-point type font. It is left to the responder to determine how best to use the 15 pages, however, it would facilitate review if the Expression of Interest was divided into the following sections:

Section 1—Summary

Section 2—Comments on privatization of some or all DOE isotope activities Section 3—Additional comments and recommendations

Proprietary Information

If the Expression of Interest contains information that is privileged or confidential and that the respondent does not want disclosed to the public or used by the Government for any purpose other than this notice, the respondent should place the following notice on the Expression of Interest.

Notice: The data contained in pages ______ of this Expression of Interest has been submitted in confidence and contains trade secrets or commercial or financial information that is confidential or privileged, and such data should be used or disclosed only for purposes of consideration of this