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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

#### Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors' National Association

Notice is hereby given that, on August 18, 2004, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("Act"), the Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors' National Association (SMACNA) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the name and principal place of business of the standards development organization and (2) the nature and scope of its standards development activities. The notifications were filed for the purpose of invoking the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances.

Pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act, the name and principal place of business of the standards development organization is: Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors' National Association (SMACNA), Chantilly, VA. The nature and scope of SMACNA's standards development activities are to promulgate industry standards to the general public and to initiate, promote and document studies directed toward the solution of present and future problems in the heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) industry and all facets of the sheet metal industry.

Additional information concerning SMACNA may be obtained from Sue Baker at (703) 803-2980.

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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#### Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—the Society for Biomolecular Screening, Inc. ("SBS")

Notice is hereby given that, on September 1, 2004, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), The Society for Biomolecular Screening, Inc. ("SBS") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the name and principal place of business of the standards development organization and (2) the nature and scope of its standards development activities. The notifications were filed for the purpose of invoking the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act, the name and principal place of business of the standards development organization is: The Society for Biomolecular Screening, Inc. Danbury, CT. The nature and scope of SBS' standard development activities are: Many science-based industries have implemented a High Throughput Screening (HTS) approach for discovery activities. HTS requires that automated devices and full robotic systems be used for this work. These devices and systems cost from tens of thousands of dollars to millions of dollars. The basic tool for this work is the microtiter plate (MTP) and as such, it is economically critical that these devices/systems work in a seamless manner with this tool as supplied by different manufacturers. However, each manufacturer had originally developed MTPs with slightly different dimensions and features to the extent that these plates performed poorly with automation. Laboratory users found it frustrating to try to use different plates with their equipment and often experienced significant financial losses when doing so. Manufacturers of automated devices tried to build in features that allowed for defining different plates from different manufacturers but there was only so much variation that could be accommodated and these changes were driving costs upwards. In 1995, The Society for Biomolecular Screening, Inc. formed a working group that brought together all of the interested parties, (manufacturers of MTPs, automated device manufacturers and users) to establish standards for microtiter plates

that would provide reliable use with all automated equipment and robotics. These standards need to address the various densities of the MTP including 96, 384, and 1536 since it would be expected that the same equipment could work with various formats but not necessarily all formats to contains costs.

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

#### Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Tree Care Industry Association ("TCIA")

Notice is hereby given that, on September 8, 2004, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), Tree Care Industry Association ("TCIA") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the name and principal place of business of the standards development organization and (2) the nature and scope of its standards development activities. The notifications were filed for the purpose of invoking the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act, the name and principal place of business of the standards development organization is Tree Care Industry Association, Inc., Manchester, NH. The nature and scope of the TCIA's standards development activities are to serve as the secretariat and SDO for the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) A300 standards for tree, shrub, and other woody plant maintenance operations. The ANSI-accredited Standards Committee (ASC) A300 is the committee that writes the standards. TCIA currently has developed four performance standards addressing tree, shrub, and other woody plant maintenance operations: ANSI A300 Part 1-2001 Pruning; ANSI A300 Part-2004 Fertilization; ANSI A300 Part 3-2000 Support Systems; and ANSI A300 Part 4-2002 Lightning Protection Systems. TCIA also has three standards in development: BSR A300 Part 5-200x Management of Trees and Shrubs during Site Planning, Site Development, and Construction; BSR A300 Part 6-200x

Transplanting; and PINS Part 7–200x Integrated Vegetation Management (IVM). TCIA is the SDO for the TCIA Standards for Accreditation. The TCIA Accreditation Council is the committee that writes the standards. The current Version is TCIA Accreditation Council Standards for Accreditation Draft 4 Version 2. TCIA was formerly the SDO for the NAA Standards for Pruning of Shade Trees; Guying of Shade Trees; Fertilizing Shade and Ornamental Trees; Lightning Protection Installation Systems for Trees; and Hydraulic Sprayer Calibration. The NAA Standard Practices committee was the committee that wrote the standards. The NAA standards were last updated in 1988 and no longer maintained by the TCIA. They are considered obsolete and have been superseded by ANSI 300 standards; however they are still used by some

arborists, tree care companies, and governmental agencies.

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### LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

#### Notice of Intent To Award—Grant Awards for the Provision of Civil Legal Services to Eligible Low-Income Clients Beginning January 1, 2005

**AGENCY:** Legal Services Corporation.

**ACTION:** Announcement of intention to make FY 2005 Competitive Grant Awards.

**SUMMARY:** The Legal Services Corporation (LSC) hereby announces its intention to award grants and contracts to provide economical and effective delivery of high quality civil legal

services to eligible low-income clients, beginning January 1, 2005.

**DATES:** All comments and recommendations must be received on or before the close of business on November 3, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Legal Services Corporation—Competitive Grants, Legal Services Corporation; 3333 K Street, NW., Third Floor; Washington, DC 20007.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Reginald Haley, Office of Program Performance, (202) 295–1545.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to LSC's announcement of funding availability on April 16, 2004 (69 FR 20650), July 20, 2004 (69 FR 43456), and Grant Renewal applications due on August 9, 2004, LSC intends to award funds to the following organizations to provide civil legal services in the indicated service areas. Amounts are estimates and are subject to change.

State/service area	Applicant name	Estimated grant amount
Alabama		
AL-4 .....	Legal Services Corporation of Alabama, Inc. ....	\$5,882,590
MAL .....	Texas RioGrande Legal Aid .....	30,126
Alaska		
AK-1 .....	Alaska Legal Services Corporation .....	681,012
NAK-1 .....	Alaska Legal Services Corporation .....	496,293
American Samoa		
AS-1 .....	Uunai Legal Services Clinic .....	294,290
Arizona		
AZ-2 .....	DNA-Peoples Legal Services, Inc. ....	494,186
AZ-3 .....	Community Legal Services, Inc. ....	3,567,025
AZ-5 .....	Southern Arizona Legal Aid, Inc. ....	1,720,404
MAZ .....	Community Legal Services, Inc. ....	135,948
NAZ-5 .....	DNA-Peoples Legal Services, Inc. ....	2,394,630
NAZ-6 .....	Southern Arizona Legal Aid, Inc. ....	584,938
Arkansas		
AR-6 .....	Legal Aid of Arkansas, Inc. ....	1,370,094
AR-7 .....	Center for Arkansas Legal Services .....	2,045,186
MAR .....	Texas RioGrande Legal Aid .....	72,376
California		
CA-1 .....	California Indian Legal Services, Inc. ....	31,109
CA-2 .....	Greater Bakersfield Legal Assistance, Inc. ....	864,263
CA-12 .....	Inland Counties Legal Services, Inc. ....	3,840,107
CA-14 .....	Legal Aid Society of San Diego, Inc. ....	2,685,331
CA-19 .....	Legal Aid Society of Orange County, Inc. ....	3,750,684
CA-26 .....	Central California Legal Services .....	2,703,939
CA-27 .....	Legal Services of Northern California, Inc. ....	3,341,144
CA-28 .....	Bay Area Legal Aid .....	3,938,831
CA-29 .....	Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles .....	7,467,817
CA-30 .....	Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County .....	4,411,173
CA-31 .....	California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc. ....	4,408,242
MCA .....	California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc. ....	2,417,178
NCA-1 .....	California Indian Legal Services, Inc. ....	810,754
Colorado		
CO-6 .....	Colorado Legal Services .....	3,158,342
MCO .....	Colorado Legal Services .....	135,991
NCO-1 .....	Colorado Legal Services .....	88,130
Connecticut		
CT-1 .....	Statewide Legal Services of Connecticut, Inc. ....	2,182,768
NCT-1 .....	Pine Tree Legal Assistance, Inc. ....	14,367
Delaware		
DE-1 .....	Legal Services Corporation of Delaware, Inc. ....	569,313
MDE .....	Legal Aid Bureau, Inc. ....	22,733