

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Geothermal Power Organization

Notice is hereby given that, on May 29, 1997, 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 Geothermal Power Organization ("GPO") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the identities of the parties and (2) the nature and objectives of the venture. 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 identities of the parties are: Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Francisco, CA; CE Hold Company, Omaha, NE; Barber-Nichols, Inc., Arvada, CO; Douglas Energy Company, Inc., Placentia, CA; Material Integrity Solutions, Inc., Berkeley, CA; and Two-Phase Engineering and Research, Inc., Santa Rosa, CA.

The purpose of this venture will be to foster cooperation among industry, academia, and government for research and development of geothermal energy conversion technology. The objectives of this venture will be achieved by providing a forum for evaluating proposals for industry projects related to geothermal energy conversion technology; for providing the Department of Energy ("DOE") with information on geothermal energy conversion technology; for advising the geothermal industry, academic organizations, national labs, and other research-oriented groups on issues related to geothermal energy conversion technology; and for facilitating the industrial development of laboratory and research results related to geothermal energy conversion technology.

Participation in this joint venture will remain open to qualified entities. The GPO intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership. Information regarding membership in the GPO may be obtained from Carl Pacquin, Pacific Gas

and Electric Company, 2302 Camino Ramon, San Ramon, CA 94583.

Constance K. Robinson,

Director of Operations, Antitrust Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—National Industrial Information Infrastructure Protocols Consortium

Notice is hereby give that, on June 9, 1997, pursuant to § 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), the National Industrial Information Infrastructure Protocols Consortium ("NIIP") filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances.

Specifically, the following organization has joined NIIP: Hughes Defense Communications, Fort Wayne, IN. The following organizations have withdrawn their membership from NIIP: Texas Instruments Inc.; Magnavox Electronics Systems Company; Teligent; and CAD Framework Initiative.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activities of NIIP. Membership remains open and NIIP intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On September 15, 1994, NIIP consortium filed its original notification pursuant to § 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** pursuant to § 6(b) of the Act of February 1, 1995 (60 FR 6294).

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Director of Operations Antitrust Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Network Management Forum

Notice is hereby given that, on June 6, 1997, 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 Network Management Forum ("the Forum") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing additions to its membership. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Specifically, the identities of the new members of the venture are as follows: ASCI—American Communications Services, Inc., Annapolis Junction, MD; Iona Technologies, Dublin, Ireland; MetaSolv Software, Inc., Dallas, TX; OpCom Solutions Inc., Nepean, Ontario, Canada; and Tellabs Operations, Inc., Lisle, IL are Corporate Members. Andersen Consulting, Washington, DC; Audilog, St. Quentin Yvelines, Cedex, France; Bosch Telecom, Inc., Gaithersburg, MD; Consafe Infotech, Malmoe, Sweden; Evolving Systems, Inc., Englewood, Co; Expersoft Corporation, Reston, VA; GN Nettek, Broendby, Denmark; Information & Graphics System, Inc., Boulder, CO; Lumos Technologies, Inc., Los Angeles, CA; SK Telecom Co., Ltd., Taejon, Korea; Telecom Finland, Tele, Finland; and Vector Enterprise Connectivity, Gavgeng, South Africa are Associate Members. Dynamic Consulting International, Berrocales Del Jarama, Spain; Gate-Net Associates, Inc., Attleboro, MA; and Mason Communications, Manchester, England are affiliate Members.

No other changes have been made since the last notification filed with the Department in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research project remains open, and the Forum intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On October 21, 1988, the Forum filed its original notification pursuant to Section to Section 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on December 8, 1988 (53 FR 49615).

The last notification was filed with the Department on March 10, 1997. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on May 14, 1997 (62 FR 26569).

Constance K. Robinson,

Director of Operations, Antitrust Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. H-372]

RIN: 1218-AB58

Standards Advisory Committee on Metalworking Fluids

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), U.S. Department of Labor.

ACTION: Notice of establishment and appointment of members to the Metalworking Fluids Standards Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Labor has established a committee to advise the Assistant Secretary for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) on the appropriate action(s) to take to protect workers from the hazards associated with occupational exposure to metalworking fluids. This standards advisory committee will provide collective expertise not otherwise available to the Secretary to address the complex and sensitive issues involved. Those chosen to serve on this committee have been drawn from industry, labor, professional organizations, academia and government agencies. The committee members represent those interested in, or significantly affected by, any action the Agency may take as a result of this inquiry.

ADDRESSES: Any written comments in response to this notice should be sent to the following address: U.S. Department of Labor, OSHA, Directorate of Health Standards Programs, Metalworking Fluids Advisory Committee, Room N-3718, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210. Phone: (202) 219-7111.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Peter Infante, Directorate of Health Standards Programs, Office of Standards Review, OSHA, (202) 219-7111.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In December 1993, the International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace & Agricultural Implement Workers of America (UAW) petitioned OSHA to

take emergency regulatory action to protect workers from the risks of occupational cancers and respiratory illnesses associated with exposure to metalworking fluids. Occupational exposure to metalworking fluids was identified by the Agency and its stakeholders as an issue worthy of Agency action during OSHA's Priority Planning Process in 1994. Subsequently, the National Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NACOSH) recommended that OSHA form a Standards Advisory Committee (SAC) to address the health risks caused by occupational exposure to metalworking fluids. The Assistant Secretary accepted the recommendation of NACOSH. On August 29, 1996 OSHA published a **Federal Register** notice of intent to form a Standards Advisory Committee for Metalworking Fluids and asked the public for recommendations of individuals with suitable experience or expertise to serve on this advisory committee (61 FR 45459).

Section 7(b) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act requires that advisory committees have a balanced membership, including individuals appointed to represent the interests of affected employers and employees, as well as Federal and State safety and health organizations and professional organizations.

Committee Membership

Appointees to the committee include representatives from labor, industry, academia and government agencies. The appointees represent groups interested in, or affected by, the outcome of this proceeding. The following is a list of Committee members and their affiliations.

Employee Representatives

David Day—International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers
James Frederick—United Steelworkers of America
Arthur McGee—Local Union 599 of the United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America
Frank Mirer—The United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America
David Wegman—University of Massachusetts Lowell, Department of Work Environment

Industry Representative

David Burch—Precision Machined Products Association
John Cox—National Tooling & Machining Association
John Howell—Castrol Industrial North America, Inc.

Henry Lick—Ford Motor Company
Frank White—Organization Resources Counselors, Inc.

Federal and State Representatives

Henry Anderson—Wisconsin Bureau of Public Health
Dennis O'Brien—National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Academic/Professional Representatives

Maura Sheehan (Chairperson)—West Chester University, Department of Health
Lee Newman—National Jewish Center for Immunology and Respiratory Medicine
Daniel Teitelbaum—Medical Toxicology & Occupational Medicine Corporation

Alternative Representatives

These persons will serve on the Committee should one of the members listed above be unable to complete his or her term.

For Employees:

William Shortell—Connecticut Council on Occupational Safety and Health

For Industry:

Kenneth Kushner—The Timken Company

Public Participation

Interested persons are invited to attend and participate in the Committee's meetings. These meetings will be announced by notice in the **Federal Register**.

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Signed at Washington, D.C., this 17th day of July, 1997.

Greg Watchman,

Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

New Mexico State Standards; Notice of Approval

1. *Background.* Part 1953 of Title 29, Code of Federal Regulations, prescribes procedures under Section 18 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (hereinafter called the Act), by which the Regional Administrator for