

eligible agencies or may be obtained by writing to COPS MORE 98, The Department of Justice Crime Bill Response Center, 6th Floor, 1100 Vermont Avenue, NW, DC, 20530, or by calling the Department of Justice Response Center, (202) 307-1460 or 1-800-421-6770, or the full application kit is also available on the COPS Office web site at: <http://www.usdoj.gov/cops>. Completed application kits should be sent to COPS MORE 98, 3rd Floor, COPS Office, 1100 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20530.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Department of Justice Crime Bill Response Center, (202) 307-1480 or 1-800-421-6770.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Overview

The Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 (Pub. L. 103-322) authorizes the Department of Justice to make grants to increase deployment of law enforcement officers devoted to community policing on the streets and rural routes in this nation. COPS MORE 98 is designed to expand the time available for community policing by current law enforcement officers, rather than fund the hiring or rehiring of additional law enforcement officers.

COPS MORE 98 permits eligible agencies to seek funding for the purchase of equipment and technology, and the procurement of support resources (including civilian personnel). As a result of this funding, the number of officers redeployed by agencies in community policing must be equal to or greater than the number of officers that would result from grants of the same amount for hiring new officers. Application Kits will be available after April 13, 1998. Completed Applications Kits must be received by the COPS Office by May 29, 1998.

Applicants must provide a thorough explanation of how the proposed redeployment funds will actually result in the required increase in the number of officers deployed in community policing. Additionally, the applicant must specify within the COPS MORE 98 Application a plan for continuing the proposed activity following the conclusion of COPS MORE 98 funding. Technical assistance with the development of community policing plans will be provided to jurisdictions in need of such assistance. Grants will be made for up to 75 percent of the cost of the equipment, technology, or civilian salaries for one year, with the remainder to be paid by state or local funds. Waivers of the non-federal share

will be considered upon a showing of severe fiscal distress. COPS redeployment funds may not be used to replace funds that eligible agencies otherwise would have devoted to equipment, technology, or civilian hiring.

COPS funding must be allocated based on a formula previously established by Congress.

An award under COPS MORE 98 will not affect the eligibility of an agency's application for a grant under any other COPS program.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) reference for this program is 16.710.

Dated: March 13, 1998.

Joseph E. Brann,

Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Order Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

Notice is hereby given that a proposed consent order in *In the Matters of Hanlin Group, Inc., et al.*, Case Nos. 91-33872-91-33875 (SAS) (Bkcy. D. N.J.), was lodged on March 12, 1998, with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey. The proposed consent order would settle a claim asserted in this Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceeding by the United States on behalf of the United States Environmental Protection Agency relating to reimbursement of post-petition administrative expenses in environmental response costs that have been or will be expended by EPA at three facilities owned and/or operated by debtors under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.* The three facilities are the Moundsville, West Virginia plant, owned by the Hanlin Chemicals West Virginia, Inc. subsidiary of the Hanlin Group, Inc., and the Linden, New Jersey and Brunswick, Georgia plants, owned by the LCP Chemicals Division of the Hanlin Group, Inc. The United States asserted a claim for approximately \$50-\$60 million for future costs of remediating the Moundsville facility, approximately \$11-14 million for future costs of remediating the Linden facility, and approximately \$4.2 million in past costs incurred with respect to response activities at the Brunswick facility.

Under the terms of the proposed consent order, (1) with respect to the

Moundsville facility, where AlliedSignal, Inc. is performing removal activities and has assumed the debtors' environmental obligations under an April 1994 agreement, Allied-Signal, Inc. expressly agrees that resolution of the United States' claim against the debtors does not affect or in any way diminish the cleanup obligations that AlliedSignal, Inc. has undertaken; (2) with respect to the Linden facility, the United States will receive an allowed first-tier administrative expense claim for the \$106,000 in costs that EPA has incurred with respect to that facility, a subordinated (second-tier) claim of \$5.5 million that would be paid only after payment to all allowed first-tier administrative claimants, and a supersubordinated (third-tier) administrative claim of \$5.5 million that would be paid only after payment to all other allowed administrative claimants; (3) with respect to the Brunswick facility, the United States will receive an allowed first-tier administrative expense claim for the \$1 million, a subordinated (second-tier) claim of \$500,000 that would be paid only after payment to all allowed first-tier administrative claimants, and a supersubordinated (third-tier) administrative claim of \$2.7 million that would be paid only after payment to all other allowed administrative claimants. All payments to the United States under the proposed consent order will be paid to the EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed consent order. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General of the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, and should refer to *In the Matters of Hanlin Group, Inc., et al.*, DOJ Ref. No. 90-7-1-593A.

The proposed consent order may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey, 402 East State Street., Rm. 502, Trenton, NJ 08608; the Region II, III, and IV Offices of the Environmental Protection Agency, located at 290 Broadway, New York, NY 10007-1866 (Region II), 841 Chestnut Building, Philadelphia, PA 19107 (Region III), 100 Alabama Street, S.W., Atlanta, GA 30303-3104 (Region IV). and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005, (202) 624-0892. A copy of the proposed consent order may be obtained in person or by mail from the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 4th

Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005. In requesting a copy, please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$3.25 (25 cents per page reproduction costs) payable to the Consent Decree Library.

Joel Gross,

Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

Pursuant to Section 122(d) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9622(d), notice is hereby given that a proposed Consent Decree in *United States v. NL Industries, et al.*, No. CV 98-322-HA, was lodged on March 10, 1998, with the United States District Court for the District of Oregon.

In this action the United States sought injunctive relief and recovery of response costs incurred and to be incurred by the United States at the Gould Superfund Site located near Portland, Oregon (the "Site"). Under the proposed Consent Decree, the nine settling parties commit to implement the remedial actions selected in the amended Record of Decision, at a cost estimated by EPA to be approximately \$15 million. They also agree to reimburse the United States for future response costs at the Site in excess of \$100,000. In addition, the Settling Defendants will covenant not to sue the United States for claims against the Superfund, claims for contribution, and claims based on EPA's selection of response actions.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed Consent Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530, and should refer to *United States v. NL Industries, et al.*, DOJ Ref. #90-11-3-397C.

The proposed Consent Decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, 1000 SW Third Avenue, Suite 600, Portland, Oregon 97204; the Region X office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, Washington, 98101; and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, NW., 4th Floor,

Washington, DC 20005, (202) 624-0892. A copy of the proposed Consent Decree may be obtained in person or by mail from the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, NW., 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. In requesting a copy refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$45.50 (25 cents per page reproduction costs), payable to the Consent Decree Library.

Joel M. Gross,

Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Under Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act

In accordance with Departmental policy, 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree in *United States v. North Landing Line Construction Company, et al.*, C.A. No. 2:96CV1073, was lodged on February 17, 1998, with the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia. The consent decree resolves the United States' claims with respect to past costs, pursuant to Section 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9607, in connection with the cleanup of the Sutton Enterprises Superfund Site, located in Chesapeake, Virginia. The decree also resolves counterclaims alleged against the United States by several defendants. The defendants named in this action are Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, Money Point Diamond Corporation, Future First Associates, William L. Hester, and Jonathan T. Harris. Under the consent decree, the defendants and several federal agencies, including the United States Department of Defense, Department of the Navy, and the Defense Logistics Agency/Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service, against whom counterclaims were filed, will reimburse the Superfund \$1,725,000 with respect to the clean-up of the Site.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed consent decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, and should refer to *United States v. North Landing Line Construction Company, et al.*, DOJ Reference No. 90-11-3-1699.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, Suite 8000, 101 W. Main Street, Norfolk, Virginia 23510; the Region III Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 840 Chestnut Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107; and the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005, (202) 624-0892. A copy of the proposed decree may be obtained in person or by mail from the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005. In requesting a copy, please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$8.25 (.25 cents per page production costs), payable to the Consent Decree Library.

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MEDICARE PAYMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

Commission Meeting

AGENCY: Medicare Payment Advisory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Commission will hold its next public meeting on Thursday, April 9, 1998 and Friday, April 10, 1998 at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 1250 22nd Street NW, Washington, DC in the Consulate/Ambassador Room. The meetings are tentatively scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. on April 9 and at 9 a.m. on April 10.

At the meeting, the Commission will be reviewing a draft of its June 1998 report to the Congress. Among the topics the Commission will discuss are: Variations in Medicare Payment Policies Across Ambulatory Care Sites, Relationship Between Hospitalization and Post-Acute Care, Home Health Costs and Utilization, Medicare+Choice: Standards, Enrollment, and Beneficiary Information, Dual Eligibles, Vulnerable Populations, Financial Liability, Access to Care, Quality of Care, Federal Premium Contribution, Modifying the Fee-for-Service Benefit, and Trends.

Final agendas will be mailed on April 3, 1998 and will be available on the Commission's web sites (WWW.MedPAC.GOV) at that time.

ADDRESSES: 1730 K Street, N.W.; Suite 800; Washington, D.C. 20006. The telephone number is 202/653-7220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ann Johnson, Executive Assistant, at 202/653-7220.