

Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791, or Rick Naylor of EPA's Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water at (202) 260-5135. Participants registering in advance will be mailed a packet of materials before the meeting. Interested parties who cannot attend the meeting in person may participate via conference call and should register with the Safe Drinking Water Hotline. Conference lines are limited and will be allocated on the basis of first-reserved, first served.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on meeting logistics, please contact the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791 or Rick Naylor of EPA's Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water at (202) 260-5135.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Amendments of 1996 require EPA to conduct an assessment of water system capital improvement needs of all eligible public water systems in the United States every four years. The first (1995) Drinking Water Infrastructure Needs Survey [EPA 812-R-97-001] was submitted to Congress in January 1997. This document may be obtained by contacting the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791 or from the EPA Web Site at: <http://www.epa.gov/OGWDW/docs/needs/>. The 1999 Drinking Water Infrastructure Needs Survey Report to Congress is due February 2001.

Dated: April 28, 1998.

Robert J. Blanco,

Acting Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval

April 27, 1998

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with

a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before June 3, 1998. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Judy Boley, Federal Communications Commission, Room 234, 1919 M St., NW., Washington, DC 20554 or via internet to jboley@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collection(s), contact Judy Boley at 202-418-0214 or via internet at jboley@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control No.: 3060-0313.

Title: Section 76.207, Political File.

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 5,375.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1 hour.

Frequency of Response:

Recordkeeping requirement.

Cost to Respondents: \$10,750. The photocopying and stationery costs associated with this recordkeeping requirement are estimated to be \$2 per system (5,375 x \$2. = \$10,750).

Total Annual Burden: 5,375 hours.

Needs and Uses: Section 76.207 requires every cable television system to keep and permit public inspection of a complete record (political file) of all requests for cable cast time made by or on behalf of candidates for public office, together with an appropriate notation showing the disposition made by the system of such requests, the charges made, if any, if the request is granted. The disposition includes the schedule of time purchased, when the spots actually aired, the rates charged, and the classes to time purchased. Also, when

free time is provided for use by or on behalf of candidates, a record of the free time provided is to be placed in the political file. The data are used by the public in order to assess the amount of money expended and time allotted to a political candidate to ensure that equal access was afforded to other legally qualified candidates for public office.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

Sunshine Act Meeting; Notice of a Change in Subject Matter of Agency Meeting

Pursuant to the provisions of subsection (e)(2) of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b(e)(2)), notice is hereby given that at its open meeting held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 28, 1998, the Corporation's Board of Directors determined, on motion of Director Joseph H. Neely (Appointive), seconded by Director Julie L. Williams (Acting Comptroller of the Currency), concurred in by Ms. Carolyn Buck, acting in the place and stead of Director Ellen S. Seidman (Director, Office of Thrift Supervision), and Acting Chairman Andrew C. Hove, Jr., that Corporation business required the withdrawal from the agenda for consideration at the meeting, on less than seven days' notice to the public, of the following matter: Memorandum re: General Counsel Opinion Regarding Interest Charges by Interstate State Banks.

The Board further determined, by the same majority vote, that no notice earlier than April 22, 1998, of this change in the subject matter of the meeting was practicable.

Dated: April 29, 1998.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

James D. LaPierre,

Deputy Executive Secretary.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Ocean Freight Forwarder License Applicants

Notice is hereby given that the following applicants have filed with the Federal Maritime Commission applications for licenses as ocean freight

forwarders pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. app. 1718 and 46 CFR Part 510).

Persons knowing of any reason why any of the following applicants should not receive a license are requested to contact the Office of Freight Forwarders, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573.

International Transportation

Consultants, Ltd., d/b/a I.T.C., Ltd.,
1551-53 Carmen Drive, Elk Grove
Village, IL 60007

Officers: Wladimir Leonartowicz,
President, Marc Leonartowicz, Vice
President

Dated: April 28, 1998.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 9:00 a.m. (EDT), May 11, 1998.

PLACE: 4th Floor, Conference Room,
1250 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. National Finance Center record keeping.
2. Congressional/agency/participant liaison.
3. Benefits administration.
4. Investments.
5. Participant communications.
6. Approval of the minutes of the April 13, 1998, Board member meeting.
7. Thrift Savings Plan activity report by the Executive Director.
8. Approval of the update of the FY 1998 budget and FY 1999 estimates.
9. Investment policy review.
10. Review of KPMG Peat Marwick audit report: "Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration Review of Capacity Planning and Performance Management of the Thrift Savings Plan at the United States Department of Agriculture, National Finance Center."
11. Status of audit recommendations.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:
Thomas J. Trabucco, Director, Office of
External Affairs, (202) 942-1640.

Dated: April 29, 1998.

Roger W. Mehle,

*Executive Director, Federal Retirement Thrift
Investment Board.*

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[File No. 981-0040]

Digital Equipment Corporation; Analysis to Aid Public Comment

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Proposed Consent Agreement.

SUMMARY: The consent agreement in this matter settles alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices of unfair methods of competition. The attached Analysis to Aid Public Comment describes both the allegations in the draft complaint that accompanies the consent agreement and the terms of the consent order—embodied in the consent agreement—that would settle these allegations.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 6, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 6th St. and Pa. Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
William Baer or Willard Tom, FTC/H-374, Washington, D.C. 20580 (202) 326-2932 or 326-2786.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 6(f) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 38 Stat. 721, 15 U.S.C. 46 and Section 2.34 of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 2.34), notice is hereby given that the above-captioned consent agreement containing a consent order to cease and desist, having been filed with and accepted, subject to final approval, by the Commission, has been placed on the public record for a period of sixty (60) days. The following Analysis to Aid Public Comment describes the terms of the consent agreement, and the allegations in the complaint. An electronic copy of the full text of the consent agreement package can be obtained from the FTC Home Page (for April 23, 1998), on the World Wide Web, at "http://www.ftc.gov/os/actions97.htm." A paper copy can be obtained from the FTC Public Reference Room, Room H-130, Sixth Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580, either in person or by calling (202) 326-3627. Public comment is invited. Such comments or views will be considered by the Commission and will be available for inspection and copying at its principal office in accordance with Section 4.9(b)(6)(ii) of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 4.9(b)(6)(ii)).

Analysis To Aid Public Comment

I. Introduction

The Federal Trade Commission ("Commission") has accepted from Digital Equipment Corporation ("Digital") an Agreement Containing Consent Order ("Proposed Consent Order"). The Proposed Consent Order is designed to remedy anticompetitive effects likely to occur in three product markets as a result of the acquisition by Intel Corporation ("Intel") of certain assets of Digital. The Order requires that Digital License its Alpha microprocessor technology to two Commission-approved companies to ensure that there are independent suppliers and developers of Alpha. The Order ensures that Intel will not have exclusive control over the technology, and that Alpha will remain competitive.

II. Description of the Parties and the Transaction

Digital is a Massachusetts corporation headquartered in Maryland, Massachusetts, with sales of approximately \$13 billion and net income of over \$140 million for the fiscal year ended June 28, 1997. Digital manufactures and sells computer systems, and develops, manufactures, and sells microprocessors based on its proprietary 64-bit¹ Alpha architecture.

The Alpha microprocessor is widely regarded as among the highest performing general purpose microprocessors available and is the only non-Intel microprocessor architecture that can run the Windows NT operating system in "native" mode.² Digital is the largest consumer of Alpha chips, which it uses in its computer systems.

Intel Corporation ("Intel"), a Delaware corporation headquartered in Santa Clara, California, is the world's leading semiconductor manufacturer. Intel reported 1996 sales of approximately \$20.8 billion and net income of more than \$5 billion. Intel supplies a broad

¹ The number of bits generally correlates with the amount of data that a microprocessor can process during one clock cycle. Intel's current Pentium microprocessors have a 32-bit architecture (known as IA-32), while Digital's alpha chip has a 64-bit architecture.

² Windows and Windows NT are operating systems. Operating systems are a type of software that acts as an intermediary between applications software and the microprocessor. An operating system runs in "native" mode when it is specifically written to interact optimally with the particular microprocessor architecture. Microsoft, the developer of Windows NT, today supports only two microprocessor architectures—Intel's and Digital's—to run Windows NT in native mode. Other microprocessor architectures today must use translation software in order to run Windows NT, significantly reducing performance and speed.