

Specifically, Deutsche Telekom, Berlin, GERMANY; and Excel, Inc., Hyannis, MA, have become Principal Members. Ariel Corp., Cranbury, NJ; Comdial Corporation, Charlottesville, VA; DeTeWe Kommunikations, Berlin, GERMANY; Dictaphone, Stratford, CT; Eastman Kodak, Rochester, NY; Force Computers, San Jose, CA; Mitsubishi Electronics Corp., Kanagawa, JAPAN; Offnet SPA, Rome, ITALY; Phillips Business Communications, Hilversum, THE NETHERLANDS; Summa Four, Inc., Manchester, NH; and Vanguard, Morris Plains, NJ, have become Auditing Members.

Precision Systems, Inc. and Voice Technologies Group are no longer Principal Members.

Ascom Telecom Ltd, Berkeley Speech Technologies; and Digital Systems International, are no longer Auditing Members.

No other changes have been made in the membership, nature or objectives of ECTF. Membership remains open, and ECTF intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On February 20, 1996, ECTF filed its original notification pursuant 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 May 13, 1996 (61 FR 22074).

The last notification was filed with the Department on May 2, 1997. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on November 28, 1997 (62 FR 63387).

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 Center for Manufacturing Sciences, Inc.

Notice is hereby given that, on April 10, 1998, 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 National Center for Manufacturing Sciences, Inc. ("NCMS") filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership status. 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 companies were accepted as active members of NCMS: Dow-United Technologies Composite Products, Inc., Wallingford, CT; OG Technology, Inc., Ann Arbor, MI; Preco Industries, Inc., Lenexa, KS; Steel Products Division (United Defense Systems, L.P.), Anniston, AL; MicroDexterity Systems, Inc., Carbondale, CO. Also approved for affiliate membership in NCMS were: Alberta Research Council, Edmonton, Alberta, CANADA; Interconnection Technology Research Institute, Austin, TX; Industry Canada, Ottawa, Ontario, CANADA; Materials and Manufacturing Ontario, Mississauga, Ontario, CANADA; National Research Council, Ottawa, Ontario, CANADA.

The following companies recently resigned from membership in NCMS: Angle, Inc., Springfield, VA; SDL, Inc., San Jose, CA; American Foundrymen's Society, Des Plaines, IL; Gear Research Institute, Evanston, IL.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. membership remains open, and NCMS intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes.

On February 20, 1987, NCMS filed its original notification pursuant 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 March 17, 1987 (52 FR 8375).

The last notification was filed with the Department on October 20, 1997. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on November 28, 1997 (62 FR 63388).

Constance K. Robinson,

Director of Operations Antitrust Division.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Advisory Committee on Preservation Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the National Archives Advisory Committee on Preservation will meet Tuesday, August 11, 1998, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in lecture room A of the National Archives at College Park, 8601 Adelphi Rd., College Park, MD 20740-6001.

The agenda for the meeting will be Charters reencasement needs and reencasement design concept.

This meeting will be open to the public. For further information, contact Alan Calmes at (301) 713-7403.

Dated: June 12, 1998.

John W. Carlin,

Archivist of the United States.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Special Emphasis Panel in Engineering Education and Centers; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: Special Emphasis Panel Engineering Education and Centers (#173).

Date/Time: July 9-10, 1998, 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation, Room 580, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Mary Poats, Program Manager, Engineering Education and Centers Division, National Science Foundation, Room 585 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

Agenda: To review and evaluate proposals submitted to the Combined Research-Curriculum Development Program.

Reason for Closing: The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b. (c) (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: June 15, 1998.

M. Rebecca Winkler,

Committee Management Officer.

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PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION

Extension of a Currently Approved Collection of Information

AGENCY: Panama Canal Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 109 Stat. 163), this notice announces the Panama Canal Commission (PCC) is planning to submit to the Office of Management and Budget a Paperwork

Reduction Act Submission (83-I) for an extension of a currently approved collection of information entitled "Procurement-Related Forms and Contract Clauses," OMB No. 3207-0007.

DATES: Written comments on this proposed action regarding the collection of information must be submitted by August 17, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Address all comments concerning this notice to Edward H. Clarke, Desk Officer for Panama Canal Commission, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, D.C. 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ruth Huff, Office of the Secretary, Panama Canal Commission, 202-634-6441.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. Collection of information is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502 (3) and 5 CFR 1320.3 (c). Section 3506 (c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 requires agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register**, and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information, by soliciting comments to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the collection will have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title: Procurement-Related Forms and Contract Clauses.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Background: The information requested is authorized by the Panama Canal Commission Acquisition Regulation, codified at 48 Code of Federal Regulations Chapter 35.

Abstract: On September 15, 1982, the Panama Canal Commission submitted to OMB a request for approval of the forms used by the Commission in connection with the procurement of supplies, services, and construction required by the Panama Canal Commission for the

operation and maintenance of the Panama Canal. OMB approved this collection for use through September 30, 1985, and assigned it OMB No. 3207-0007. On August 30, 1985, the Commission requested extension of the expiration date of the collection of information designated Procurement-Related Forms through September 30, 1988. Prior to the expiration, the Commission requested another extension and received approval through December 1992. On October 7, 1992, the Commission submitted to OMB for approval the collection "Procurement-Related Forms and Contract Clauses." OMB approved the collection through October 31, 1995. On July 12, 1995, the Commission submitted a request for revision of this collection and received approval through August 31, 1998. The forms are used to furnish the information required by solicitation provisions or contract clauses.

Annual Burden Hours: 19,853.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 69,092.

Estimated Total Hours per Response: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

Affected Public: Business or other for profit.

Jacinto Wong,

Chief Information Officer, Senior Official for Information Resources Management.

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POSTAL RATE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

NAME OF AGENCY: Postal Rate Commission.

TIME AND DATE: 10:30 a.m., July 23, 1998.

PLACE: Commission Conference Room, 1333 H Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20268-0001.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: To discuss and vote on the Postal Rate Commission Budget for FY 1999 and election of a Vice Chairman.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Margaret P. Crenshaw, Secretary, Postal Rate Commission, Suite 300, 1333 H Street, NW, Washington, DC 20268-0001, (202) 789-6820.

Dated: June 16, 1998.

Margaret P. Crenshaw,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Issuer Delisting; Notice of Application to Withdraw From Listing and Registration; (Equus II Incorporated, Common Stock, \$.001 Par Value) File No. 1-11362

June 12, 1998.

Equus II Incorporated ("Company") has filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 12(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") and Rule 12d2-2(d) promulgated thereunder, to withdraw the above specified security ("Security") from listing and registration on the American Stock Exchange, Inc. ("Amex" or "Exchange").

The reasons cited in the application for withdrawing the Security from listing and registration include the following:

The Company's Security has been listed for trading on the Amex and, pursuant to a Registration Statement on Form 8-A which became effective on May 20, 1998, the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. ("NYSE"). Trading in the Company's Security on the NYSE commenced at the opening of business on May 20, 1998, and concurrently therewith such Security was suspended from trading on the Amex.

The Company has complied with Rule 18 of the Amex by filing with such Exchange a certified copy of resolutions adopted by the Company's Board of Director's authorizing the withdrawal of its Security from listing and registration on the Amex and by setting forth in detail to such Exchange the reasons for such proposed withdrawal, and the facts in support thereof. In making the decision to withdraw its Security from listing on the Amex, the Company considered the expense of maintaining a dual listing.

The Exchange has informed the Company that it has no objection to the withdrawal of the Company's Security from listing and registration on the Amex.

By reason of section 12(b) of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder, the Company shall continue to be obligated to file reports under Section 13 of the Act with the Commission and the NYSE.

Any interested person may, on or before July 6, 1998, submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, facts bearing upon whether the application has been made in accordance with the rules of the Exchange and what terms,