

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

**Request for Proposal to Schedule, Escort, Issue Launch Permits to, and Collect Fees From Paddle Craft Users on the Colorado River, Within the Security Zone of Hoover Dam.**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of solicitation for proposals from qualified parties to schedule reservations, escort, issue launch permits to, and collect fees from paddle crafts users.

**SUMMARY:** Reclamation is soliciting proposals from qualified parties to reserve and schedule 2 paddle craft launches daily, and escort a maximum of 15 users at each launch-time to a launch area on the Colorado River, in a secured area surrounding Hoover Dam.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties should request copies of the Request for Proposal (RFP) from Mr. Jeff Reavis, Outdoor Recreation Planner, Environmental Compliance and Realty Group, Bureau of Reclamation, Lower Colorado Region, P.O. Box 61470, Boulder City, Nevada 89006-1470, Telephone: (702) 293-8428 or FAX (702) 293-8146.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Jeff Reavis at (702) 293-8428.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Reclamation's Lower Colorado Dams Facilities office is supervised by the Area Manager, Mr. Timothy J. Ulrich, and encompasses projects administered by Hoover, Davis and Parker Dams and appurtenant works.

A Concession Agreement will be negotiated with the Concessionaire selected under this RFP. The Area Manager is the authorizing official in this action. Prior to execution of an agreement by the Area Manager, the agreement will be reviewed for legal sufficiency and endorsement, then signed by the prospective new Concessionaire.

Dated: June 11, 1998.

**John A. Johnson,**

*Acting Director, Resource Management Office.*

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## INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 753-TA-34]

**Extruded Rubber Threat From Malaysia***Determination*

On the basis of the record<sup>1</sup> developed in the subject investigation, the United States International Trade Commission determines, pursuant to section 753(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1675b(a)) (the Act), that an industry in the United States is not likely to be materially injured by reason of imports of extruded rubber thread from Malaysia, provided for in subheading 4007.00.00 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, if the countervailing duty order concerning such extruded rubber thread is revoked.

*Background*

The Commission initiated this investigation effective December 15, 1997, following receipt of a request filed with the Commission by North American, Fall River, MA, on June 30, 1995, requesting the continuation of the existing countervailing duty order, issued August 25, 1992, concerning extruded rubber thread from Malaysia. Notice of the scheduling of the Commission's investigation and of a public hearing to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the **Federal Register** of December 24, 1997 (62 FR 67406). The hearing was held in Washington, DC, on May 5, 1998, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.

The Commission transmitted its determination in this investigation to the Secretary of Commerce on June 25, 1998. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 3112 (June 1998), entitled "Extruded Rubber Thread From Malaysia: Investigation No. 753-TA-34."

Issued: June 26, 1998.

By order of the Commission.

**Donna R. Koehnke,**

*Secretary.*

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<sup>1</sup>The record is defined in sec. 207.2(f) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 207.2(f)).

## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

**Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Under the Clean Air Act**

Pursuant to 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that on June 8, 1998, a proposed Consent Decree in *United States v. Ford Motor Company*, Civil Action No. 98-01432(RCL), was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

The United States has asserted, in a civil complaint under the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 *et seq.*, that certain 1997 Econoline vans had defeat devices or otherwise violated the reporting requirements of Section 203 of the Clean Air Act. In addition, the United States asserted that 1.7 million Escorts from model years 1991 through 1995 violated the reporting requirements of Section 203 of the Clean Air Act.

Under the proposed Consent Decree, Ford has agreed to recall the 1997 Econolines and deactivate the defeat device. Ford also agreed to offset the excess NO<sub>x</sub> emitted as a result of these violations by purchasing and retiring 2,500 tons of NO<sub>x</sub> credits. Finally, Ford will pay a civil penalty of \$2.5 million dollars, and will implement Supplemental Environmental Projects valued at \$1.5 million in the form of alternative fuel vehicles and fueling stations, which Ford will provide to at least two airports, at no cost to the airport facilities, for use in transporting passengers from off-site parking lots to the terminals.

The Department of Justice will receive for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication comments relating to the Consent Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General of the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Ford Motor Company*, Civil Action No. 98-01432(RCL), D.J. Ref. 90-5-2-1-2195.

The Consent Decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney for the District of Columbia, Judiciary Center Bldg., 555 Fourth St., NW., Washington, DC 20001; at the Environmental Protection Agency Library, Reference Desk, Room 2904, 401 M Street, SW., Washington, DC 20460; and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, NW., 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20005, 202-624-0892. A copy of the 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, please enclose a check in the amount of \$7.00 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the Consent Decree Library.

**Joel M. Gross,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

In accordance with Departmental policy, 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that a consent decree in *United States v. Reynolds*, Civ. A. No 96-0014-C, was lodged on June 12, 1998 with the United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia. The consent decree resolves the claims of the United States under Section 106(b), 107(a), and 107(c) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended ("CERCLA"), for reimbursement of response costs incurred at the Singleton Drum Site in Castleton, Rappahannock County, Virginia, as well as civil penalties for failure to comply with a Unilateral Administrative Order issued by EPA. The consent decree obligates Settling Defendants to pay \$277,500 in reimbursement of response costs incurred by EPA in responding to contamination at the Site, and civil penalties. Of this amount, approximately \$144,000 will be paid in full reimbursement of EPA's response costs at 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. Reynolds*, DOJ Ref. 190-11-2-1072.

The consent decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, 616 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106; the Region III Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 841 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA; and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, NW 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20005 (202) 624-0892. A copy of the 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 please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$4.75 (25 cents per page reproduction cost), payable to the Consent Decree library.

**Joel M. Gross,**

*Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section,  
Environmental & Natural Resources Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

[Civil Action No. 98-1497]

#### Proposed Final Judgment and Competitive Impact Statement; United States v. Aluminum Company of America, et al.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Antitrust Procedures and Penalties Act, 15 U.S.C. section 16(b)-(h), that a proposed Final Judgment, Hold Separate Stipulation and Order, Stipulation and Order, and Competitive Impact Statement have been filed with the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in *United States v. Aluminum of America, et al.*, Civil No. 1:98CV01497. The proposed Final Judgment is subject to approval by the Court after the expiration of the statutory 60-day public comment period and compliance with the Antitrust Procedures and Penalties Act, 15 U.S.C. section 16(b)-(h).

On June 15, 1998, the United States filed a Complaint seeking to enjoin a transaction in which Aluminum Company of America ("Alcoa") would acquire Alumax, Inc. ("Alumax"). Alcoa and Alumax are the two largest of three producers of aluminum cast plate ("cast plate") in the world. Cast plate is used for applications that require precise dimensions and flatness, such as jigs, fixtures, and numerous tooling, mold, machinery, and equipment applications. Alcoa's proposed acquisition of Alumax would have combined under single ownership almost 90% of the cast plate manufacturing business in the world. The Complaint alleged that the proposed acquisition would substantially lessen competition in the manufacture and sale of cast plate worldwide in violation of Section 7 of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. section 18.

The proposal Final Judgment, filed at the same time as the Complaint, orders Alcoa to sell its cast plate division to a purchaser who has the capability to compete effectively in the manufacture and sale of cast plate. The proposed Final Judgment also requires Alcoa to

abide by the Hold Separate Stipulation and Order, which requires Alcoa to ensure that, until the divestiture mandated by the Final Judgment has been accomplished, Alcoa's cast plate division will be held separate and apart from, and operated independently of, any of Alcoa's other assets and businesses. A Competitive Impact Statement filed by the United States describes the Complaint, the proposed Final Judgment, and remedies to private litigants.

Public comment is invited within the statutory 60-day comment period. Such comments, and responses thereto, will be published in the **Federal Register** and filed with the Court. Written comments should be directed to Roger W. Fones, Chief, Transportation, Energy, and Agriculture Section, Antitrust Division, 325 Seventh Street, NW., Suite 500, Washington, DC 20530 (telephone: (202) 307-6351).

Copies of the Complaint, Hold Separate Stipulation and Order, Stipulation and Order, proposed Final Judgment, and Competitive Impact Statement are available for inspection in Room 215 of the U.S. Department of Justice, Antitrust Division, 325 Seventh Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530 (telephone: (202) 514-2481) and at the office of the Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, 333 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20001. Copies of any of these materials may be obtained upon request and payment of a copying fee.

**Constance K. Robinson,**

*Director of Operations & Merger Enforcement,  
Antitrust Division.*

#### Stipulation and Order

It is hereby *Stipulated* by and between the undersigned parties, by their respective attorneys, as follows:

1. The Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action and over each of the parties hereto, and venue of this action is proper in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

2. The parties stipulate that a Final Judgment in the form hereto attached may be filed and entered by the Court, upon the motion of any party or upon the Court's own motion, at any time after compliance with the requirements of the Antitrust Procedure and Penalties Act (15 U.S.C. 16), and without further notice to any party or other proceedings, provided that plaintiff has not withdrawn its consent, which it may do at any time before the entry of the proposed Final Judgment by serving notice thereof on defendants and by filing that notice with the Court.