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Joel M. Gross,

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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, and Section 111 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622, notice is hereby given that on June 11, 1999, a proposed *De Minimis* Consent Decree in *United States v. BASF Corporation, successor to Cook Paint and Varnish Company*, Civil Action No. 99-72978, was lodged with the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division. This consent decree represents a settlement of claims of the United States against BASF Corporation for reimbursement of response costs and injunctive relief in connection with the Metamora Landfill Superfund Site ("Site") pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.*

Under this settlement with the United States, BASF Corporation, successor to Cook Paint and Varnish Company, will pay \$487,206 in reimbursement of response costs incurred by the United States Environmental Protection Agency 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 of the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, and should refer to *United States v. BASF Corporation*, D.J. Ref. 90-11-3-289/3.

The proposed Consent Decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division, 211 West Fort Street, Suite 2300, Detroit, MI 48226, at the Region 5 Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Street, Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590, and at the Consent Decree Library, 120 G Street, N.W., 3rd Floor, Washington, D.C. 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, N.W., 3rd Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005. In requesting a copy, please enclose a check in the amount of \$5.25 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the Consent Decree Library.

Joel Gross,

Section 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

Notice is hereby given that a Consent Decree in *United States v. SPS Technologies, Inc.*, Civil Action No. 99-2702 (SMO) (D.N.J.) was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey on June 11, 1999.

The proposed consent decree resolves claims asserted by the United States, on behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), against SPS Technologies, Inc. ("Settling Defendant") under Section 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9607. The claims sought to recover past response costs incurred at the DeRewal Chemical Co. site ("Site") in Kingwood Township, Hunterdon County, New Jersey. The United States alleged that the settling defendant was liable as the generator of the hazardous waste disposed of at the Site under Section 107(a)(3) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607(a)(1). The Complaint states claims against the Settling Defendants under Section 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607, for reimbursement of response costs. The proposed Consent Decree requires the Settling Defendant to reimburse the United States \$800,000 in past response costs.

The Department of Justice will accept written comments relating to the proposed consent decree for thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice. Please address comments to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, P.O. Box 7611, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, D.C. 20044 and refer to *United States v. SPS Technologies, Inc.*, Civil Action No. 99-2702 (SMO) (D.N.J.), DJ #90-11-3-06009.

Copies of the proposed consent decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey, 970 Broad Street, Newark, NJ 07102; at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region II, 290 Broadway, New York, NY 10007-1866; and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 3rd Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005, (202) 624-0892. A copy of the consent decree may also be obtained in person or by mail at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 3rd Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005. When requesting a copy of the consent decree by mail, please enclose a check in the amount of \$5.25 (twenty-five cents per page reproduction costs) payable to the "Consent Decree Library."

Joel M. Gross,

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

June 23, 1999.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection requests (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of each individual ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Labor, Departmental Clearance Officer, Ira Mills ({202} 219-5096 ext. 143) or by E-Mail to Mills-Ira@dol.gov.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for BLS, DM, ESA, ETA, MSHA, OSHA, PWBA, or VETS, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 ({202} 395-7316), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information,

including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: Contribution Operations.

OMB Number: 1205-0178.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal govt.

Number of Respondents: 53.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 8 hours and 30 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 1,802.

Total Annualized capital/startup costs: \$0.

Total annual costs (cooperating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$0.

Description: Provides quarterly data on State agencies' volume and performance in wage processing, promptness of liable employer registration, timeliness of filing contribution and wage reports, extent of tax delinquency, and results of field audit program.

Ira L. Mills,

Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-36,006]

Ansewn Shoe Company, Bangor, ME; Certification Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2273) as amended by the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988 (Pub. L. 100-418), the Department of Labor herein presents the results of an investigation regarding certification of eligibility to apply for worker adjustment assistance.

In order to make an affirmative determination and issue a certification of eligibility to apply for adjustment assistance each of the group eligibility requirements of Section 222 of the Act

must be met. It is determined in this case that all of the requirements have been met.

The investigation was initiated in response to a petition received on April 12, 1999, filed on behalf of workers at Ansewn Shoe Company, Bangor, Maine. The workers were engaged in employment related to the production of men's and women's leather shoes.

The investigation revealed that sales, production and employment at the subject firm have declined during the relevant periods.

A departmental survey was conducted with major customers. The survey revealed that major declining customers of Ansewn discontinued purchasing shoes from the subject firm while importing shoes from sources located overseas during the periods under investigation.

Aggregate U.S. imports of leather shoes increased in the twelve month period January 1997-December 1998 compared with the same twelve month period one year earlier. In 1998 imports were over 800% of the United States production.

Currently, there is a NAFTA-Transitional Adjustment Assistance investigation in progress for the workers of the subject firm. The identifying number is NAFTA-3051.

Conclusion

After careful review of the facts obtained in the investigation, I conclude that increases of imports of articles like or directly competitive with men's and women's leather shoes produced at Ansewn Shoe Company, Bangor, Maine contributed importantly to the decline in sales or production and to the total or partial separation of workers of that firm. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, I make the following certification:

All workers of Ansewn Shoe Company, Bangor, Maine, who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after March 19, 1999, through two years from the date of certification are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed in Washington, DC this 17th day of June, 1999.

Grant D. Beale,

Acting Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

[TA-W-35,200 et al.]

Nabors Drilling USA, Inc., East Texas/North Louisiana District, Headquartered in Kilgore, TX, Including Bayard Drilling Technologies; Amended Certification Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 USC 2273) the Department of Labor issued a Certification of Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance on December 28, 1998, applicable to workers of Nabors USA, Inc., East Texas/North Louisiana District, headquartered in Kilgore, Texas operating at various locations in Texas and Louisiana. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on January 25, 1999 (64 FR 3721).

At the request of the company, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. New findings show that Nabors Drilling USA purchased Bayard Drilling Technologies in April, 1999. New information show that some workers separated from employment at Nabors Drilling USA had their wages reported under a separate unemployment insurance (UI) tax account for Bayard Drilling Technologies, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The workers provide drilling services related to the exploration and production of crude oil and natural gas.

Based on these findings, the Department is amending the certification to include workers of Bayard Drilling Technologies.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Nabor Drilling USA, Inc. adversely affected by increased imports.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-35,200 is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of East Texas/North Louisiana District of Nabors Drilling USA, Inc., headquartered in Kilgore, Texas (TA-W-35,200), including Bayard Drilling Technologies operating at various locations in Texas (TA-W-35,200A), Louisiana (TA-W-35,200B) and Oklahoma (TA-W-35,200D) who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after October 22, 1997 through December 28, 2000 are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.