

Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, part 201, subparts A through E (19 CFR part 201), and part 207, subparts A and B (19 CFR part 207).

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Karen Taylor (202-708-4101), Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436. Hearing-impaired persons can obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background.—These investigations are being instituted in response to a petition filed on March 1, 2000, by the Committee of Domestic Steel Wire Rope and Specialty Cable Manufacturers.

Participation in the investigations and public service list.—Persons (other than petitioners) wishing to participate in the investigations as parties must file an entry of appearance with the Secretary to the Commission, as provided in sections 201.11 and 207.10 of the Commission's rules, not later than seven days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. Industrial users and (if the merchandise under investigation is sold at the retail level) representative consumer organizations have the right to appear as parties in Commission antidumping investigations. The Secretary will prepare a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to these investigations upon the expiration of the period for filing entries of appearance.

Limited disclosure of business proprietary information (BPI) under an administrative protective order (APO) and BPI service list.—Pursuant to section 207.7(a) of the Commission's rules, the Secretary will make BPI gathered in these investigations available to authorized applicants representing interested parties (as defined in 19 U.S.C. 1677(9)) who are parties to the investigations under the APO issued in the investigations, provided that the application is made not later than seven days after the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. A separate service list will be maintained by the Secretary for those

parties authorized to receive BPI under the APO.

Conference.—The Commission's Director of Operations has scheduled a conference in connection with these investigations for 9:30 a.m. on March 22, 2000, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC. Parties wishing to participate in the conference should contact Karen Taylor (202-708-4101) not later than March 20, 2000, to arrange for their appearance. Parties in support of the imposition of antidumping duties in these investigations and parties in opposition to the imposition of such duties will each be collectively allocated one hour within which to make an oral presentation at the conference. A nonparty who has testimony that may aid the Commission's deliberations may request permission to present a short statement at the conference.

Written submissions.—As provided in sections 201.8 and 207.15 of the Commission's rules, any person may submit to the Commission on or before March 27, 2000, a written brief containing information and arguments pertinent to the subject matter of the investigations. Parties may file written testimony in connection with their presentation at the conference no later than three days before the conference. If briefs or written testimony contain BPI, they must conform with the requirements of sections 201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules. The Commission's rules do not authorize filing of submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means.

In accordance with sections 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the rules, each document filed by a party to the investigations must be served on all other parties to the investigations (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

Authority: These investigations are being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to section 207.12 of the Commission's rules.

Issued: March 3, 2000.

By order of the Commission.

Donna R. Koehnke,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as Amended

Consistent with Departmental policy, 28 CFR 50.7, 38 FR 19029, and 42 USC 9622(d), notice is hereby given that on February 22, 2000, a proposed Consent Decree ("Decree") in *United States v. Northrop Grumman Corporation, et al.*, Civil Action No. CV-00-1070, was lodged with the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York. The proposed Consent Decree will resolve the United States' claims under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 USC 9601 *et seq.*, on behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") against defendants Northrop Grumman Corporation, Marmon Corporation, Occidental Chemical Corporation, Town of Oyster Bay, Jakobson Shipyard, Inc., and Keyspan Corporation relating to the Syosset Landfill Superfund Site ("Site") located in the Village of Syosset, in the Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County, New York. The Complaint alleges that the Town of Oyster Bay is liable as an owner and/or operator of the Site pursuant to Section 107(a)(2) of CERCLA, 42 USC 9607(a)(2). The remaining defendants are liable as generators, or successors to generators, who arranged for the disposal of hazardous substances possessed by them at the Site pursuant to Section 107(a)(3) of CERCLA, 42 USC 9607(a)(3).

Under the terms of the Decree, the settling defendants will deposit into interest-bearing escrow accounts, within 30 days of receipt of this Notice, \$890,000 in reimbursement of EPA's past response costs incurred at the Site. Within 20 days after notice of entry of the Decree, settling defendants will withdraw and pay to the United States all principal and accrued interest from the designated escrow accounts.

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. Any comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, PO Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611, and should refer to United States v. Northrop Grumman Corporation, et al., Civil Action No. CV-00-1070, D.J. Ref. 90-11-2-491/1.

The Decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney,

Eastern District of New York, One Pierrepont Plaza, Brooklyn, New York 11201, and at U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region II, 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007-1866. A copy of the Consent Decree may also be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, Department of Justice, PO Box 7611, Washington DC 20044-7611. 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.

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Deputy 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 Department of Justice policy, 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree in the action entitled *United States of America v. Raymark Industries, Inc., et al.*, Civil Action No. 3:97CV00035 (D. Conn.), was lodged on February 18, 2000 with the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut. The proposed consent decree resolves potential claims of the United States, on behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601-9675, against third-party defendant the Town of Stratford, Connecticut. These potential claims are for recovery of costs incurred and to be incurred by the United States with respect to certain municipal properties included within the Raymark Industries, Inc. Superfund Site ("Site") in Stratford, Connecticut.

Under the terms of the proposed consent decree, the Town of Stratford will (1) Pay the United States \$487,832 in partial reimbursement of past and future federal response costs with respect to the Site; (2) Provide EPA with continuing access to Town properties that are part of the Site; and (3) Establish a public registry of those municipal and residential properties within the Town of Stratford that contain residual hazardous waste which was not removed during response

actions by EPA or the State of Connecticut at these properties.

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, Environment and Natural Resources Division, U.S. Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Raymark Industries, Inc., et al.*, Civil Action No. 3:97CV00035 (D. Conn.), DOJ Ref. No. 90-7-1-545E.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the offices of EPA Region I, One Congress Street, Suite 1100, Boston, MA 02114-2023, and the Office of the United States Attorney, 915 Lafayette Blvd., Bridgeport, CT 06604. A copy may be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, U.S. Department of Justice, P.O. Box 7611, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044-7611. In requesting a copy by mail, please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$5.75 (25 cents per page reproduction costs for the Decree and Appendix) made payable to Consent Decree Library.

Joel M. Gross,

Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division, U.S. Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Emergency Review; Comment Request

March 1, 2000.

The Department of Labor has submitted the following (see below) public information collection request (ICR), utilizing emergency review procedures, 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). OMB approval has been requested March 24, 2000. A copy of the ICR with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting the Department of Labor, Departmental Clearance Officer, Ira Mills at (202) 219-5096, ext. 143, or by E-mail at Mills-Ira@dol.gov. The proposed Application for EFAST Electronic Signature and Codes for EFAST Transmitters and Software Developers (Form EFAST-1), the subject

of this ICR, is available for viewing and downloading through the Department of Labor's Internet site (<http://www.efast.dol.gov>).

Comments and questions about the ICR listed below should be sent to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: Desk Officer for Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 ((202) 395-7316) within 10 days of the date of this publication in **Federal Register**. After that date and through May 8, 2000, further comments may be submitted to Gerald B. Lindrew, Office of Policy and Research, U.S. Department of Labor, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N-5647, Washington, DC 20210, in response to its separate Notice and request for comments also published in today's **Federal Register**.

OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- 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;
- 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: Department of Labor, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration.

Title: Application for EFAST Electronic Signature and Codes for EFAST Transmitters and Software Developers.

OMB Number: 1210- 0NEW.

Frequency: On occasion.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions.

Total Responses: 60,250.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 20,100.

Estimated Total Burden Cost: \$22,900.

Description: Under part 1 of Title 1 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), Title IV of ERISA, and the Internal Revenue