## LIST OF CASES RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS—Continued

[Week of August 11 through August 15, 1997]

Date	Name and location of applicant	Case No.	Type of submission
8/13/97	Personnel Security Hearing	VSO-0171	Request for Hearing under 10 CFR Part 710 If granted: An individual employed by the Department of Energy would receive a hearing under 10 CFR Part 710.
8/14/97	Karen Coleman-Wiltshire, Olney, Maryland	VFA-0325	Request of an Information Request Denial If granted: The June 27, 1997 Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by the Department of the Army would be re- scinded, and Karen Coleman-Wiltshire would receive ac- cess to certain DOE information.
8/14/97	Primerica Corp., Hardin, Kentucky	RR272–300	Request for Modification/Rescission in the Crude Oil Re- fund Proceeding If granted: The August 8, 1997 Deci- sion and Order Case No. RG272–1074 issued to Primerica Corp. would be modified regarding the firm's application for refund submitted in the Crude Oil refund proceeding.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#### Office of Hearings and Appeals

# Notice of Cases Filed During the Week of August 25 Through August 29, 1997

During the Week of August 25 through August 29, 1997, the appeals,

applications, petitions or other requests listed in this Notice were filed with the Office of Hearings and Appeals of the Department of Energy.

Any person who will be aggrieved by the DOE action sought in any of these cases may file written comments on the application within ten days of publication of this notice or the date of receipt of actual notice, whichever occurs first. All such comments shall be filed with the Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585–0107.

Dated: October 28, 1997.

George B. Breznay,

Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals.

LIST OF CASES RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS

[Week of August 25 through August 29, 1997]

Date	Name and location of applicant	Case No.	Type of submission
8/26/97	INEL Research Bureau, Troy, Idaho	VFA-0328	Appeal of an Information Request Denial. If granted: The July 25, 1997 Freedom of Information Request Denial is- sued by Richland Operations Office would be rescinded, and INEL Research Bureau would receive access to certain DOE information.
8/27/97	Travelers Group, New York, NY	RR272–301	Request for Modification/Rescission in the Crude Oil Re- fund Proceeding. If granted: The August 8, 1997 Deci- sion and Order (Case No. RG272–1074) issued to Trav- elers Group would be modified regarding the firm's Ap- plication for Refund submitted in the Crude Oil refund proceeding.
8/28/97	Personnel Security Review	VSA-0150	Request for Review of Opinion Under 10 CFR Part 710. If granted: The August 7, 1997 Hearing Officer Opinion (Case No. VSO–0150) would be reviewed at the request of an individual by the Department of Energy.

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### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#### Office of Hearings and Appeals

Notice of Cases Filed During the Week of September 15 Through September 19, 1997

During the Week of September 15 through September 19, 1997, the

appeals, applications, petitions or other requests listed in this Notice were filed with the Office of Hearings and Appeals of the Department of Energy.

Any person who will be aggrieved by the DOE action sought in any of these cases may file written comments on the application within ten days of publication of this notice or the date of receipt of actual notice, whichever occurs first. All such comments shall be filed with the Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of Energy, Washington, D.C. 20585–0107.

Dated: October 28, 1997.

George B. Breznay,

Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals.

Date	Name and location of applicant	Case No.	Type of submission
9/17/97	VSO-0175	Personnel Security Hearing	Request for Hearing Under 10 C.F.R. Part 710. If granted: An individual employed by the Department of Energy would receive a hearing under 10 C.F.R. Part 710.
9/17/97 Per- sonnel Se- curity Hear- ing.	VSO-0176	Personnel Security Hearing	Request for Hearing Under 10 C.F.R. Part 710. If granted: An individual employed by the Department of Energy would receive a hearing under 10 C.F.R. Part 710.
9/17/97	Personnel Security Hearing	VSO-0177	Request for Hearing Under 10 C.F.R. Part 710. If granted: An individual employed by the Department of Energy would receive a hearing under 10 C.F.R. Part 710.
9/18/97	Personnel Security Hearing	VSA-0139	Request for Review of Opinion under 10 C.F.R. Part 710. If granted: The August 14, 1997 Opinion of the Office of Hearings and Appeals Case No. VSO–0139 would be reviewed at the request of an individual employed by the Department of Energy.
9/19/97	Pillsbury Co., Minneapolis, MN	RR272–303	Request for Modification/Rescission.

LIST OF CASES RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS [Week of September 15 through September 19, 1997]

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### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Hearings and Appeals

# Implementation of Special Refund Procedures

**AGENCY:** Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice of implementation of special refund procedures.

SUMMARY: The Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA) of the Department of Energy announces the procedures for disbursement of \$2,451,396 (plus accrued interest) in alleged or adjudicated crude oil overcharges obtained by the DOE from Crude Oil Purchasing, Incorporated (Case No. LEF-0058), Jaguar Petroleum, Incorporated (Case No. LEF-0059), Westport Energy Corporation/Westport Petroleum Corporation (Case No. LEF-0113), and Gratex Corporation/Compton Corporation (Case No. VEF-0012). The OHA has determined that the funds obtained from these firms, plus accrued interest, will be distributed in accordance with the DOE's Modified Statement of Restitutionary Policy in Crude Oil Cases, 51 FR 27899 (August 4.1986

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bryan F. MacPherson, Assistant Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals, Washington, DC 20585–0107, (202) 426–1571.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with 10 CFR 205.282(c), notice is hereby given of the issuance of the Decision and Order set forth below. The Decision and Order sets forth

procedures that the DOE will use to distribute a total of \$2,451,396, plus accrued interest, remitted to the DOE by (1) Crude Oil Purchasing, Incorporated, (2) Jaguar Petroleum, Incorporated, (3) Westport Energy Corporation & Westport Petroleum Corporation, and (4) Gratex Corporation/Compton Corporation. The DOE is currently holding these funds in interest bearing escrow accounts pending distribution.

The OHA will distribute these funds in accordance with the DOE's Modified Statement of Restitutionary Policy in Crude Oil Cases, 51 FR 27899 (August 4, 1986)(the MSRP). Under the MSRP, crude oil overcharge moneys are divided among the federal government, the states, and injured purchasers of refined petroleum products. Refunds to the states will be distributed in proportion to each state's consumption of petroleum products during the price control period. Refunds to eligible purchasers will be based on the volume of petroleum products that they purchased and the extent to which they can demonstrate injury. Because the June 30, 1995, deadline for the crude oil refund applications has passed, no new applications from purchasers of refined petroleum products will be accepted.

Dated: October 29, 1997.

George B. Breznay,

Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals.

# Decision and Order of the Department of Energy

### Implementation of Special Refund Procedures

Names of Firms: Crude Oil Purchasing, Incorporation; Jaguar Petroleum, Incorporated; Westport Energy Corporation & Westport Petroleum Corporation; Gratex Corporation/Compton Corporation. *Dates of Filings:* July 20, 1993; July 20, 1993; September 9, 1993; March 23, 1995.

*Case Numbers:* LEF–0058, LEF–0059, LEF–0113, VEF–0012.

The Economic Regulatory Administration (ERA) of the Department of Energy filed four Petitions for the Implementation of Special Refund Procedures with the Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA). In the petitions, ERA asks OHA to distribute funds remitted to the DOE pursuant to settlements between Crude Oil Purchasing, Incorporated (COP), Jaguar Petroleum, Incorporated (Jaguar), Westport Energy Corporation & Westport Petroleum Corporation (Westport), Gratex Corporation and its parent, Compton Corporation (Gratex/ Compton). A total of \$2,451,396, plus interest, is available for restitution. All of these funds are now being held in interest-bearing escrow accounts pending a determination regarding their proper disposition.

In accordance with the procedural regulations codified at 10 C.F.R. Part 205, Subpart V, the ERA requests in its Petitions that the OHA establish special refund procedures to remedy the effects of any regulatory violations which were resolved by these settlements. This Decision and Order sets forth the OHA's final plan to distribute these funds.<sup>1</sup>

#### I. Background

On September 21, 1982, DOE and COP entered into a Consent Order which resolved all pending or potential claims that DOE had or may have

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For a more detailed discussion of Subpart V and the authority of the OHA to fashion procedures to distribute refunds, see Petroleum Overcharge Distribution and Restitution Act of 1986, 15 U.S.C. 4501–07, and Office of Enforcement, 9 DOE ¶82,508 (1981).