

Company EADS N.V., Schiphol-Rijk, The Netherlands; EMC Corporation, Hopkinton, MA; Ericsson Inc., Plano, TX; Factiva, New York, NY; General Dynamics, Falls Church, VA; Hewlett-Packard Company, Palo Alto, CA; Honeywell Defense and Space Electronic Systems, Columbia, MD; International Business Machines Corp., Armonk, NY; Innerwall, Inc., Colorado Springs, CO; L-3 Communications, New York, NY; Lockheed Martin Corporation, Bethesda, MD; Microsoft Corporation, Redmond, WA; Northrop Grumman Corporation, Los Angeles, CA; Oracle Corporation, Redwood Shores, CA; Raytheon Company, Waltham, MA; Rockwell Collins, Cedar Rapids, IA; Saab AB, Stockholm, Sweden; Science Applications International Corporation, San Diego, CA; Smith Aerospace, London, United Kingdom; Sun Microsystems, Inc., Santa Clara, CA; Themis Computer, Fremont, CA; Wakelight Technologies, Inc., Honolulu, HI; Bay Microsystems, Inc., Santa Clara, CA; Parametric Technology Corporation, Needham, MA; Sikorsky Aircraft, Stratford, CT; SPARTA, Inc., Arlington, VA; McDonald Bradley Inc., Herndon, VA; Aereovironment, Simi Valley, CA; FlightSafety International, Flushing, NY; Superlative Technologies, Inc. (dba SuperTEK), McLean, VA; and Real-Time Innovations, Inc., Sunnyvale, CA.

The general area of Network Centric Operations Industry Consortium, Inc.'s planned activity is to help accelerate the achievement of increased interoperability within and between all levels of government of the United States and its allies involved in joint, interagency and multination operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Northeastern Lumber Manufacturers Association

Notice is hereby given that, on September 16, 2004, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), Northeastern Lumber Manufacturers Association ("NeLMA") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the

Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the name and principal place of business of the standards development organization and (2) the nature and scope of its standards development activities. The notifications were filed for the purpose of invoking the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances.

Pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act, the name and principal place of business of the standards development organization is: Northeastern Lumber Manufacturers Association, Cumberland Center, ME. The nature and scope of NeLMA's standards development activities are: development of size and quality standards for Eastern White Pine; maintain those rules in accordance with Voluntary Product Standard 20, developed under the auspices of the Department of Commerce; implementation of those rules as well as wood product grading rules of other agencies certified by the American Lumber Standard Committee through grading inspections of mills in the Northeast United States in order to assure conformation with those standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Portland Cement Association

Notice is hereby given that, on January 10, 2005, 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 Portland Cement Association ("PCA") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership. 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, Titan America LLC, Norfolk, VA has been added as a Member of PCA.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research

project remains open, and PCA intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On January 7, 1985, PCA 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 February 5, 1985 (50 FR 5015).

The last notification was filed with the Department on August 9, 2004. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act on August 30, 2004 (69 FR 52932).

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Southwest Research Institute: Joint Industry Project for Fluid Properties Meter Development and Support

Notice is hereby given that, on November 30, 2004, 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 Southwest Research Institute: Joint Industry Project for Fluid Properties Meter Development and Support ("SwRI: Fluid Properties Meter") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the identities of the parties to the venture and (2) the nature and objectives of the venture. The notifications were filed for the purpose of invoking the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances.

Pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act, the identities of the parties to the venture are: Columbia Gas Transmission, Charleston, WV; ConocoPhillips Company, Houston, TX; Duke Energy Gas Transmission Corporation, Houston, TX; Panhandle Energy, Houston, TX; Questar Gas Company, Salt Lake City, UT; Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, Houston, TX; and Transcanada Pipelines Limited, Calgary, Alberta, CANADA. The general area of SwRI: Fluid Properties Meter's planned activity is to advance the development of the Fluid Properties meter from an experimental, proof-of-concept prototype to a production-ready pilot

unit. The Fluid Properties meter, developed by SwRI: Fluid Properties Meter, is used to determine properties of natural gas, such as density, molecular weight and calorific value. The program will include the development of requirements and specifications for the system, subsystems and components, and the transfer of knowledge required to implement the fluid properties meter algorithm. The program will also include the actual development and testing of the Fluid Properties meter. Several reviews, such as a system requirements review, system functional review, preliminary design review, critical design review, and test readiness review will be performed during this project.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry, Inc.

Notice is hereby given that, on September 20, 2004, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry, Inc. ("TAPPI") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the name and principal place of business of the standards development organization and (2) the nature and scope of its standards development activities. The notifications were filed for the purpose of invoking the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances.

Pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act, the name and principal place of business of the standards development organization is: Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry, Inc., Norcross, GA. The nature and scope of TAPPI's standards development activities are: Testing procedures and related practices used in the measurement, evaluation, and description of pulp, paper, and related products, including raw materials used in their manufacture,

use, or in scientific investigations of any such substances.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Technologies for Target Assessment

Notice is hereby given that, on October 18, 2004, 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 Technologies for Target Assessment ("TATS member firm Icoria, Inc.") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership. 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, Agilent Technologies, Inc., Santa Clara, CA has been added as a party to this venture and LION Bioscience, Inc., Cambridge, MA has withdrawn as a party to this venture. Also, Paradigm Genetics, Inc., Research Triangle Park, NC has changed its name to Icoria, Inc.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research project remains open, and TATS member firm Icoria, Inc. intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On August 1, 2002, TATS member firm Icoria, Inc. 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 September 12, 2002 (67 FR 57853).

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

Petitions for Modification

The following parties have filed petitions to modify the application of existing safety standards under section 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977.

1. Falkirk Mining Company (The)

[Docket No. M-2005-002-C]

The Falkirk Mining Company, 2801 1st Street SW, PO Box 1087, Underwood, North Dakota 58576 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 77.803 (Fail safe ground check circuits on high-voltage resistance grounded systems) to its Falkirk Mine (MSHA I.D. No. 32-00491) located in McLean County, North Dakota. The petitioner requests a modification of the existing standard to allow an alternative method of compliance when raising or lowering the boom mast at construction sites during initial Dragline assembly. This method would only be used during the boom mast raising or lowering, and the machine will not be performing mining operations when raising or lowering the boom for construction or maintenance. The procedure would also be applicable in instances of disassembly or major maintenance which require the boom to be raised or lowered. The petitioner has listed specific guidelines in this petition that would be followed to minimize the potential for electrical power loss during this critical boom procedure. The petitioner asserts that application of the proposed alternative method will not result in a diminution of safety to the miners.

Request for Comments

Persons interested in these petitions are encouraged to submit comments via Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>; E-mail: Comments@MSHA.gov; Fax: (202) 693-9441; or Regular Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier: Mine Safety and Health Administration, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2350, Arlington, Virginia 22209. All comments must be postmarked or received in that office on or before March 4, 2005. Copies of these petitions are available for inspection at that address.