

(1) 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;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of the 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.

Comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time should be directed to the Office of Attorney Personnel Management, U.S. Department of Justice, Attn: P. Vickers, Room 6150, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20530-0001 (202-514-8902). If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please contact Paula Vickers, 202-514-8902, Office of Attorney Personnel Management, U.S. Department of Justice, Room 6150, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, 20530-0001.

Overview of This Information Collection

(1) Type of Information Collection: Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

(2) Title of the Form/Collection: Application Booklets—Attorney General's Honor Program, Summer Law Intern Program, Law Student Program.

(3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection: Form Number: None. Office of Attorney Personnel Management, Justice Management Division, U.S. Department of Justice.

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Individuals or households. Other: None. This data collection is the only vehicle for the Department of Justice (DOJ) to hire graduating law students. This application form is submitted

voluntarily, submitted only once a year by students/judicial law clerks who will be in this applicant pool only once; and the information sought only relates to the hiring criteria established as an internal matter by DOJ personnel.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: 5,700 respondents at 1 hour per response.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 5,700 annual hours.

If additional information is required contact Mr. Robert B. Briggs, Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management and Security Staff, Justice Management Division, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: January 8, 1997.

Robert B. Briggs,

Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice.

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Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Comprehensive, Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA")

In accordance with Departmental policy, 28 C.F.R. § 50.7, and Section 122(d)(2) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9622(d)(2), notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree in *United States v. Alpert Iron & Metal Corp. et al.*, Civil Action No. CV-97-AR-0001-S was lodged on January 2, 1997, with the United States District Court for the Northern District of Alabama, Southern Division. This agreement resolves a judicial enforcement action brought by the United States, pursuant to Sections 106(a) and 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9606(a) and 9607, against a group of potentially responsible parties ("Settlers") who by contract, agreement or otherwise arranged for disposal or treatment, or arranged with a transporter for transport for disposal or treatment, of hazardous substances at the Interstate Lead Company Superfund Site ("Site" or "ILCO Site") in Leeds, Jefferson County, Alabama. The Consent Decree also provides a covenant not to sue under Section 7003(d) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA") 42 U.S.C. § 6973.

The Site is comprised of a former battery recycling and smelter facility ("the ILCO facility"), and several Satellite Sites where furnace slag was taken. Furnace slag is a byproduct of the

Site smelting operations. The Satellite Sites included the adjacent parking lot, the City of Leeds landfill, and properties owned by a gas station, a church, a resident, a restaurant, and a local business.

Under the consent decree, the Settlers have agreed to pay \$1,823,644 of the government's past response costs, and all future response costs of the government in excess of \$300,000. The Settlers have also agreed to implement the Site remedy as set forth in Records of Decision ("RODs") dated September 30, 1991, October 13, 1994, September 25, 1995, and August 27, 1996. The selected remedy provides for the excavation of contaminated soils and sediment, treatment by soil solidification/stabilization, and disposal in an appropriate, permitted landfill. Contaminated groundwater at the ILCO facility and the City of Leeds landfill will be pumped and treated. Groundwater monitoring will be conducted at the other Satellite Sites, with annual sediment and biota monitoring along a nearby creek and tributary thereto.

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. Alpert Iron & Metal Corp. et al.*, DOJ Ref #90-11-2-108D. Commenters may request an opportunity for a public meeting in the affected area, in accordance with Section 7003(d) of RCRA.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, 200 Federal Building, 1800 Fifth Avenue North, Birmingham, AL 35203; the Region 4 office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 100 Alabama Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia, 30303; and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 4th 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., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005. In requesting a copy please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check for the reproduction costs. If you want a copy of the Consent Decree without attachments, which attachments include the RODs, Statement of Work, and list of Settlers, then the amount of the check should be \$29.25 (117 pages at 25 cents per page). If you want a copy of the Consent Decree with the above stated

attachments, then the amount of the check should be \$106.75 (427 pages at 25 cents per page). The check should be made payable to the Consent Decree Library.

Bruce S. Gelber,
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Section, Environment and Natural Resources
Division.

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Notice of Lodging of Amendment to Modified Consent Decree Pursuant to the Clean Water Act

In accordance with 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that on December 31, 1996, a proposed Amendment to the Modified Consent Decree in *United States of America v. Lynn Water and Sewer Commission, et al.*, Civil Action No. 76-2184-G, was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts. The United States' complaint sought compliance with the Clean Water Act. The Modified Consent Decree, as amended in 1995, requires the construction of various projects to reduce combined sewer overflows from Lynn Water and Sewer Commission outfalls in accordance with a specified schedule. The Amendment to the Modified Consent Decree extends the deadline for completion of one of those projects—the Eastern Avenue Sewer Separation Project, Phase II—from September 1, 1997 to December 31, 1998.

The Department of Justice will receive comments relating to the proposed Amendment to Modified Consent Decree for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Lynn Water and Sewer Commission, et al.*, D.J. Ref. 90-5-1-1-545B.

The proposed Amendment to Modified Consent Decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, 1003 John M. McCormack P.O. & Courthouse, Boston, Massachusetts 02109 and at the New England Region office of the Environmental Protection Agency, One Congress St., Boston, Massachusetts 02203. The proposed Amendment to Modified Consent Decree may also be examined at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G. St., N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005, 202-624-0892. A copy of the proposed Amendment to Modified Consent Decree may be

obtained in person or by mail from the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G. St., N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005. In requesting a copy, please enclose a check in the amount of \$1.25 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the "Consent Decree Library."

Joel M. Gross,
Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section,
Environment & Natural Resources Division.

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

Notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree in *United States v. Janet Schusheim, et al.*, Civil Action No. 97-0019, was lodged on January 2, 1997 with the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York. Defendant Janet Schusheim was the former owner of the property comprising the SMS Instruments, Inc. Superfund Site ("Site") in Deer Park, New York at the time wastes containing hazardous substances were disposed of at the Site. Defendant 120 Realty Corp. is the current owner of the Site property.

Under the terms of the proposed decree, defendants will pay the United States \$290,000 for certain past response costs incurred by the United States for remedial action work involving air and steam stripping of contaminated soil and groundwater extraction, treatment, and reinjection. The proposed decree includes a covenant not to sue by the United States under Sections 106 and 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601 *et seq.*

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. Janet Schusheim, et al.* D.J. reference #90-11-2-1123A.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of New York, 225 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn; New York, the Region II, Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 290 Broadway, New York, New York; and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W. 4th 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. 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005. In requesting a copy please enclose a check in the amount of \$7.25 (25 cents per page reproduction costs), payable to the Consent Decree Library.

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

In accordance with Departmental policy, notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree in *United States v. Western Crude Reserves, Inc. et al.*, Civil Action No. 95-52, was lodged on October, 1994 with the United States District Court for Eastern District of Kentucky, Lexington division. Under the consent decree the United States is settling claims against two defendants, Western Crude Reserves, Inc. and Reserve Energy, Ltd., based on claims for civil penalties and injunctive relief relating to alleged violations of the Safe Drinking Water Act ("SDWA") and the implementing Underground Injection Control ("UIC") regulations, 40 C.F.R. § 144.28 *et seq.* The United States alleged that Reserve Energy, Ltd. and Western Crude Reserves, Inc. once owned and operated, respectively, 113 underground injection wells in the Irvine, Garrett and South Fork units in the Irvine-Furnace field in Powell and Estill Counties, Kentucky. Reserve Energy, Ltd. is a limited partnership. Western Crude Reserves, Inc. is the corporate general partner of Reserve Energy. In 1993, Reserve Energy transferred the wells to defendant Kish Resources PLC. Under the proposed settlement, Western Crude Reserves, Inc. and Reserve Energy, Ltd. will provide \$75,000 in financial assurance for plugging abandoned injection wells, and the field will be transferred to a nonparty, Trinity Group, LLC. ("Trinity"), for the purpose of bringing the wells into regulatory compliance pursuant to a schedule set forth in an Administrative Order on Consent ("AOC") entered between Trinity and EPA. Under the AOC, Trinity will provide \$50,000 in financial assurance and will plug or case and cement the injection wells over the course of three years. Under this settlement, EPA will obtain the injunctive relief it seeks to bring the field into compliance, plus a