

functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

2. Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and the assumptions used;

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being sought;

4. 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.

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: Gerard W. Fischer, Assistant Director, Torts Branch, Civil Division, P.O. Box 146, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, D.C. 20044-0146. Comments may also be submitted to the Department of Justice (DOJ), Justice Management Division, Information Management and Security Staff, Attention: Department Clearance Officer, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, N.W., Washington D.C. 20530.

Overview of This Information Collection

1. *Type of Information collection:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

2. *Title of the Form/Collection:* Claims under the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act.

3. *Agency form number:* None. *Applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection:* The Radiation Exposure Compensation Unit, Constitutional and Specialized Torts Branch, Civil Division.

4. Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:

Primary: Individuals or households. *Other:* None. Information is needed to determine whether an applicant is eligible for a statutory compensation payment under the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act, 42 U.S.C. 2210 note (1994). Applicants are persons who reside near the Nevada Test Site, onsite participants in an atmospheric nuclear weapons test, and persons employed in underground uranium mines.

5. *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to*

respond: 2,000 annual respondents at 2.5 hours per response.

6. *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 5,000 annual burden hours.

Public comment on the proposed information is strongly encouraged.

Dated: November 24, 1997.

Robert B. Briggs,

Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act ("CERCLA") of 1980

Notice is hereby given that a proposed Consent Decree in *United States v. Larry A. Bell, et al.*, Civil Action No. 3-96-CV-80047, was lodged on October 29, 1997, with the United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa, Davenport Division.

The complaint alleges that defendants Larry A. Bell ("Bell") and Bell Cedaridge Development, Inc. ("Bell Cedaridge") are liable for the United States' approximately \$740,000 in response costs at the Davenport Lead Superfund Site ("Site"), located at 5403 Ricker Hill Road, Davenport, Iowa, pursuant to Section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9607(a). The complaint also includes an *in rem* action to recover these costs, which are secured by a CERCLA lien against the Site, pursuant to Section 107(l) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9607(l).

The Site, a partially-wooded lot owned by defendant Bell Cedaridge, was used as a disposal site for ebonite and other battery components in the early 1970s. As a result, on-Site soils were contaminated with lead at levels of up to 27,300 mg/kg. The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") incurred its approximately \$740,000 in response costs in this case by conducting a removal action at the Site in 1993.

The only valuable asset owned by Bell and Bell Cedaridge is the Site itself, which is appraised at approximately \$49,000. The Site is subject to an approximate \$25,000 mortgage and the CERCLA lien that secures the United States' response costs. Under the proposed consent decree, defendants Bell and Bell Cedaridge shall sell the Site and pay to United States the proceeds from the sale, less costs of the sale and amounts paid to secured

lienholders with lien interests superior to the United States' interest. In exchange, the United States will grant Bell and Bell Cedaridge a Covenant Not to Sue for the claims set forth in the complaint, and release the 107(l) lien attached to 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 for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Larry A. Bell, et al.*, DOJ Ref. #90-11-2-1008.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, District of Iowa, U.S. Courthouse Annex, 110 E. Court Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50304, (515) 284-6257; the Region VII Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 726 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101, (913) 551-7010; 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 requiring a copy please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$9.00 (25 cents per page reproduction costs), payable to the Consent Decree Library.

Joel M. Gross,

Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Order Pursuant to the Clean Water Act

Notice is hereby given that a proposed Consent Decree in *United States v. The Glidden Company*, Civil Action No. 3:96CV7198, has been lodged with the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio on November 17, 1997.

The Consent Decree resolves the claims alleged against defendant, The Glidden Company ("Glidden"), under the Clean Water Act ("Act"), 33 U.S.C. § 1251 *et seq.* The proposed Consent Decree provides that Glidden shall discharge process wastewaters from its facility at 300 Sprowl Road, Huron, OH, to the Erie County Sanitary Sewer System, and shall comply with the applicable National Pollutant Discharge

Elimination System ("NPDES") permit and with standards contained in the Consent Decree. The proposed decree also provides that Glidden shall perform a compliance program for the facility, and submit reports regarding its compliance with the Consent Decree. The proposed Consent Decree also provides for the payment by Glidden of a civil penalty of \$1,555,000 for its alleged failures to comply with its NPDES permit and with an EPA Administrative Order.

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, U.S. Department of Justice, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044, and should refer to *United States v. The Glidden Company*, D.J. Ref. 90-5-1-1-5062.

The proposed Consent Decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio, Four Seagate, Third Floor, Toledo, OH 43604-2624, at the Office of Regional Counsel, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region V, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60604, and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street NW., 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20005, (202) 624-0892. A copy of the proposed Consent Decree may also be obtained in person or by mail from the Consent Decree Library. In requesting a copy, please enclose a check in the amount of \$9.50 (25 cents per page reproduction costs) payable to the "Consent Decree Library."

Joel Gross,

*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

Notice is hereby given that a consent decree in *United States v. Neville Land Company, et al.*, Civil Action No. 97-1683 (W.D. Pa.) was lodged on September 17, 1997.

The proposed decree resolves the claims of the United States under Sections 106 and 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C.

§§ 9606 and 9607, for past response costs and certain responses actions at the Ohio River Park Superfund Site in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. The decree obligates the Settling Defendants to reimburse \$495,943.66 of the United States' past response costs and to perform the remedial action the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has selected for the first operable unit 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 for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Neville Land Company, et al.*, DOJ Ref. # 90-11-3-1723.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the United States Department of Justice, Environment and Natural Resources Division, 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 in the amount of \$26.75 (25 cents per page reproduction costs), payable to the Consent Decree Library. Attachments to the proposed consent decree can be obtained for additional amount.

Joel M. Gross,

*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 Clean Water Act

In accordance with Departmental Policy, 28 CFR § 50.7, notice is hereby given that a consent decree that would resolve the liability of one of four defendants in *United States of America v. Jane A. Young, et al.*, Civil Action No. 95-4202-JPG (S.D. Ill.), was lodged with the United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois on October 28, 1997.

The proposed consent decree concerns alleged violations of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1311, as a result of the discharge of dredged and fill materials onto approximately 100 acres of wetlands, in Hamilton County,

Illinois ("Site"), which is alleged to constitute "waters of the United States." The consent decree permanently enjoins Jane A. Young from taking any actions, or causing others to take any actions, which result in the discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States. The consent decree further requires Jane A. Young to pay (a) A \$5,000.00 civil penalty and (b) \$28,000 into an interest-bearing Registry Account of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois, to be used to conduct a wetland restoration at the Site if the United States obtains access to the Site through litigation or other means. In addition, the consent decree provides that if the United States is not able to obtain access to the Site to conduct a wetland restoration, all funds in the Registry Account (except for 10% of the interest that is to be paid to the Court) will be deposited by the Clerk of the Court into the United States Treasury.

The Department of Justice will receive written comments relating to the consent decree for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this notice. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, United States Department of Justice, Attention: Steven E. Rusak, Trial Attorney, Environmental Defense Section, P.O. Box 23986, Washington, DC 20026-3986, and should refer to *United States of America v. Jane A. Young, et al.*, DJ Reference No. 90-5-1-6-580.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the Clerk's Office, United States District Court, United States Courthouse, 301 West Main Street, Benton, Illinois 62812.

Letitia J. Grishaw,

*Chief, Environmental Defense Section,
Environment and Natural Resources Division,
United States Department of Justice.*

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Center for Waste Reduction Technologies

Notice is hereby given that, on April 23, 1997, 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 Center for Waste Reduction Technologies ("CWRT") and other participants in the