

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Under the Clean Water Act

In accordance with Departmental policy, 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree in *United States v. City of Weirton, et al.*, C.A. No. 5:96-CV-21, was lodged on June 26, 1998, with the United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia. The consent decree resolves the United States' claims for civil penalties and injunctive relief, pursuant to the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1251 *et seq.* Under the consent decree, the City of Weirton will construct and operate a wastewater treatment facility to come into compliance with the Clean Water Act and its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit. The City of Weirton will also pay a civil penalty of \$150,000 to the United States and the State of West Virginia.

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. City of Weirton, et al.*, DOJ Reference No. 90-5-1-1-4265.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, 1100 Main Street, Suite 200, Wheeling, West Virginia 26003; the Region III Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 840 Chestnut Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107; and the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005, (202) 624-0892. A copy of the proposed 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 \$7.25 (.25 cents per page production costs), payable to the Consent Decree Library.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division**Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Agreement To Establish a Common Computer Tape Storage Specification**

Notice is hereby given that, on January 23, 1998, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), Agreement to establish a common computer tape storage specification has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the identities of the parties 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 are Hewlett-Packard Company ("HP"), Palo Alto, CA; International Business Machines Corporation ("IBM"), Armonk, NY; Seagate Technology, Inc. ("SEAGATE"), Scotts Valley, CA. The nature and objectives of the venture are to develop, produce and establish a common computer tape storage specification; to combine and integrate into this specification complementary intellectual property of each of the parties; to develop an appropriate third-party mechanism for licensing such intellectual property as part of a license to use the specification to all interested parties under terms and conditions conducive to establishing an open, widely followed industry specification; to promote the development, production and sale of next-generation computer tape storage products compatible with this specification, thereby providing enhanced functionality afforded through the use of licensed intellectual property; and, through all of the foregoing, to enhance demand for next-generation computer tape storage products as alternatives to competing storage technologies.

The parties will file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

Constance K. Robinson,

Director of Operations, Antitrust Division.
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division**Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Petrotechnical Open Software Corporation**

Notice is hereby given that, on March 2, 1998, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), Petrotechnical Open Software Corporation ("POSC") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership status. 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, the following additional parties have become new non-voting members of POSC: GlavNIVC (Ministry of Natural Resources of the Russian Federation), Moscow, RUSSIA; Seismic Micro-Technology Inc., Houston, TX; INTesa, Caracas, VENEZUELA; Hitec ASA, Stavanger, NORWAY; China National Petroleum Corporation, Beijing, CHINA; Intelligent Computer Solutions, London, UNITED KINGDOM; and Iona Technologies Ltd., Cambridge, MA.

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 Petrotechnical Open Software Corporation ("POSC") intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On January 14, 1991, petrotechnical Open Software Corporation ("POSC") 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 7, 1991 (56 FR 5021).

The last notification was filed with the Department on October 16, 1997. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on November 28, 1997 (62 FR 63389).

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