

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 October 16, 1991 (56 FR 51917).

The last notification was filed with the Department on April 2, 1998. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on July 24, 1998 (63 FR 39901).

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Gas Utilization Research Forum ("GURF")

Notice is hereby given that, on March 9, 1999, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), Gas Utilization Research Forum ("GURF") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in the 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, Canadian Petroleum Ltd., Calgary, Alberta, Canada; and Energy International, Pittsburgh, PA have been added as parties to this venture.

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 Gas Utilization Research Forum ("GURF") intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership. Information regarding membership in "GURF" may be obtained from Dennis Winegar, Vice President, International Marketing & Business Development, Texaco Global Gas and Power, 111 Bagby Street, Houston, TX 77002, Telephone (713) 752-7654, Fax (713) 752-4681.

On December 19, 1990, Gas Utilization Research Forum ("GURF") filed its original notification pursuant to Section 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** to Section 6(b) of the Act on January 16, 1991 (56 FR 1655).

The last notification was filed with the Department on February 2, 1999. A

notice has not yet been published in the **Federal Register**.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Health Informatics Initiative Consortium

Notice is hereby given that, on January 26, 1999, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), Health Informatics Initiative Consortium has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing its intention to disband. Specifically, as of November 30, 1998, said project was completed and the consortium and its steering committee have disbanded. The Participation Agreement, which formed the basis for all authority and action by the consortium, is no longer in effect. Accordingly, The Koop Foundation Incorporated (KFI), as convener, has no further legal authority to act with respect to this project and has no ownership in any product of the project. KFI will continue to maintain its books and records relating to its activities and responsibilities as convener. KFI will respond to any questions concerning its responsibilities under the Participating Agreement. KFI is aware of no legal authority which would assign to KFI any present or future rights, privileges, duties or responsibilities with respect to any aspect of this project.

On March 30, 1995, Health Informatics Initiative Consortium 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 June 28, 1995 (60 FR 33432).

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—United Technologies Research Center ("UTRC")

Notice is hereby given that, on March 11, 1999, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), United Technologies Research Center ("UTRC") 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, United Technology Corporation, acting through United Technologies Research Center ("UTC"), East Hartford, CT; The University of Connecticut ("UConn"), Storres, CT; Elf Aquitaine ("Elf"), Paris La Defense Cedex, France; Ford Motor Company ("Ford"), Dearborn, MI; Tyco Printed Circuit Group Inc. ("Tyco"), Stafford Springs, CT; and Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing ("3M"), Austin, TX have been added as parties to this venture.

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 United Technologies Research Center ("UTRC") intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On July 29, 1996, United Technologies Research Center ("UTRC") 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 August 20, 1996 (61 FR 43077).

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice of information collection under review; extension of a currently approved collection; application for

employment/Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, has submitted the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Office of Management and Budget approval is being sought for the information collection listed below. The proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on March 16, 1999, allowing for a 60-day public comment period.

The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comment until June 21, 1999. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item contained in the notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20530. Comments may also be submitted to the Department of Justice (DOJ), Justice Management Division, Information Management and Security Staff, Attention: Department Deputy Clearance Officer, Suite 850, 1001 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function 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 assumptions used;

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

(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.

Overview of this information:

(1) Type of Information Collection: Extension of a currently approved collection.

(2) Title of the Form/Collection: Application for Employment/Federal Bureau of Investigation.

(3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the

Department of Justice sponsoring the collection: Form: FD-140. Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice.

(4) Affected public who will be required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Individuals of households. Other: None. The Application for Employment, FD-140, is utilized to collect pertinent background information on all applicants for FBI positions. The FD-140 is issued in lieu of Standard Form 86, Questionnaire for National Security Positions, to address suitability and security concerns beyond the scope of the SF-86. The Authority to Release Information, FD-406, is also incorporated into the FD-140 to obtain necessary records.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average response: Approximately 50,000 respondents, at 8 hours per response (including record-keeping). Total annual burden hours requested 400,000.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: Approximately 400,000 annual burden hours.

If additional information is required contact: Mrs. Brenda E. Dyer, Deputy 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, or via facsimile at (202) 514-1590.

Dated: May 17, 1999.

Robert B. Briggs,

Clearance Officer, Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health; Public Conferences for Persons Interested in Self-Rescuer Protection and Mine Emergency Preparedness in the Mining Industry

AGENCY: Mine Safety and Health Administration and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health.

ACTION: Notice of conferences.

SUMMARY: The Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) will host a conference on issues and concerns related to self-rescuer protection in the mining industry. In addition, MSHA will host a conference on mine emergency preparedness. The conferences will run concurrently. The purpose of these conferences is to provide an opportunity for an exchange of information between the Agencies, self-rescuer manufacturers, mining industry representatives, labor representatives, and those involved in all areas associated with mine emergency preparedness.

DATES: The conferences will run concurrently beginning Tuesday, June 15 and continue through Thursday, June 17, 1999.

ADDRESSES: The conferences will be held at the National Mine Health and Safety Academy located at 1301 Airport Road, Beaver, West Virginia (near Beckley, West Virginia).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Dan Conley, MSHA, at (703) 235-1358, or Mr. Robert Stein, NIOSH, at (304) 285-5907.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Tentative Self-Rescuer Conference Topics are: NIOSH/MSHA self-rescuer certification & quality assurance process; NIOSH/MSHA long term self-rescuer field evaluation program; NIOSH/MSHA self-rescuer service-life plans and conditions of use requirements; NIOSH/MSHA self-rescuer reliability concerns and MSHA's revised inspection procedures; and, Discussions and presentations on other mine rescue and escape technologies.

Tentative Mine Emergency Preparedness Conference Topics are: Review of material from the first Mine Emergency Preparedness Conference of January 1995; Discussion of background and research accomplishments to address the issues identified during this first conference; Discussion on short term objectives MSHA has undertaken to address the identified issues, including an in-depth review of MSHA policy up-dates and changes related to mine emergency preparedness; and, Discussion on long term objectives MSHA should consider undertaking to improve and strengthen mine emergency preparedness.

The conferences will be open to all interested parties. MSHA and NIOSH will provide participants an opportunity to ask questions; submit written comments they wish to have included in the record; and provide individualized input into the changes to the applicable regulations and policies