

organizations or businesses, are available for public inspection in their entirety.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Levi D. Deike, Acting Field Office Manager, at the Royal Gorge Field Office address and phone number listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The planning area involves approximately 103,000 acres, of which 76% are Forest Service lands, 13% BLM lands, with the remainder being state and private lands. The main issues anticipated for this planning effort are: (1) Impacts to water quality; vegetation, including riparian and wetland areas; and soils; and (2) impacts to public land users and adjacent private landowners. The Fourmile Travel Management Plan is being prepared by an interagency interdisciplinary team. The analysis and proposed plan amendment are scheduled for completion in August 2001.

Additional public meetings may be held and a public comment period will be established on the Fourmile Travel Management Plan. Dates and locations of the meetings and the time period for the public comment period will be announced in the local media. The Proposed BLM Plan Amendment will be published during the EA process, and a 30-day protest period will apply to the BLM portion of the Fourmile Travel Management Plan.

Levi D. Deike,

Acting Field Office Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Request for Nominations for Public Members to the Royalty Policy Committee, Minerals Management Advisory Board

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Request for nominations.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of the Department of the Interior established a Royalty Policy Committee (RPC) on the Minerals Management Advisory Board to provide advice on our management of Federal and Indian minerals leases, revenues, and other minerals related policies. The RPC membership includes representatives from States, Indian Tribes and allottee organizations, minerals industry associations, the general public, and other Federal departments. Members serve without pay but will be reimbursed for travel

expenses incurred when attending official RPC meetings. Reimbursements will be calculated in accordance with the Federal travel regulations as implemented by the Department. Since the two public members' terms on the RPC will expire during the first half of next year, the Director, Minerals Management Service, is requesting nominations. These nominations may originate from State and local governments, organizations or individuals, and they may include self-nominations. Nominees should have the expertise in royalty management issues necessary to represent the public interest. The nomination package must include an updated copy of the nominee's biography that includes their mailing and e-mail addresses, and a letter from the nominee accepting the nomination. Since we are committed to the Department's diversity policy, nominators are requested to consider diversity when making nominations.

DATES: Submit nominations on or before October 30, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Submit nominations to Gary L. Fields, Chief, Program Services Office, Royalty Management Program, Minerals Management Service, P.O. Box 25165, MS 3006, Denver, CO 80225-0165.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary L. Fields, Chief, Program Services Office, Royalty Management Program, Minerals Management Service, PO Box 25165, MS 3006, Denver, CO 80225-0165, telephone number (303) 231-3102, fax number (303) 231-3781, e-mail: gary.fields@mms.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The locations, dates of RPC meetings, and other information will be published in the **Federal Register** and posted on the Internet at http://www.rmp.mms.gov/Laws_R_D/RoyPC/RoyPC.htm. Meetings are open to the public without advanced registration, on a space available basis. The public may make statements during the meetings, to the extent time permits, and file written statements with the RPC for its consideration; copies of these written statements should be submitted to Gary Fields.

These meetings are conducted under the authority of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 1) and the Office of Management and Budget (Circular No. A-63, revised).

Dated: September 22, 2000.

Lucy Querques Denett,

Associate Director for Royalty Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Draft General Management Plan/Draft Environmental Impact Statement, New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, Massachusetts

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of Draft General Management Plan/Draft Environmental Impact Statement; notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Council on Environmental Quality regulations and National Park Service Policy, this notice announces the availability for public review of a Draft General Management Plan/Draft Environmental Impact Statement for New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, Bristol County, Massachusetts. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act 102(2)(C) of 1969, the environmental impact statement was prepared to assess the impacts of implementing the general management plan.

The Draft General Management Plan/Draft Environmental Impact Statement presents a Proposal and two Management Alternatives, then assesses the potential environmental and socioeconomic effects of the actions presented on site resources, visitor experience, and the surrounding area. The Proposal and the Alternatives differ in their approaches to management. In the Proposal, the National Park Service would share stewardship responsibility for resource protection with its partners and offer visitor programs complementary to partners' activities. NPS interpretive and educational activities would promote resource stewardship. Alternative 1 (Management Option 1) is essentially the status quo, the National Park Service would bring a national voice and visibility to New Bedford through its publications and facilitate coordination of park partners' visitor-services and resource-protection programs. In Alternative 3 (Management Option 3) the National Park Service would assume the lead role among park partners, exercising intensive and extensive involvement in resource preservation, collections management, and visitor programming.

DATES: Comments on the draft EIS should be received no later than December 1, 2000. A public meeting will be held in the City of New Bedford on Wednesday, October 18, 2000 at the New Bedford Free Public Library, 613 Pleasant Street from 7 to 8:45 p.m.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Copies of the document will be available for review at the following locations:

New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park—Visitor Center, 47 North Second Street, New Bedford, MA. The visitor center is open everyday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
New Bedford Free Public Library, 613 Pleasant Street, New Bedford, MA. The library is open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The library is closed on Sundays.

To request copies of the document, please call (508) 996-4095, fax (508) 994-8922, or write Superintendent, New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, 33 William Street, New Bedford, Massachusetts 02740.

Comments on the Draft General Management Plan/Draft Environmental Impact Statement should be submitted to John Piltzecker, Superintendent, New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park, 33 William Street, New Bedford, Massachusetts 02740. Comments may be faxed to the Superintendent at (508) 994-8922.

John Piltzecker,

Superintendent, New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Inv. No. 337-TA-383 Advisory Opinion Proceeding]

Certain Hardware Logic Emulation Systems and Components Thereof; Notice of Commission Decision Not To Review an Initial Advisory Opinion Issued by the Administrative Law Judge

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined in the above-captioned advisory opinion proceeding (1) not to review the presiding administrative law judge's ("ALJ's") finding that access from the United States of Mentor Graphics Corporation's ("Mentor's") foreign design verification centers would not be covered by the Commission's cease and desist order, (2) to take no position on the ALJ's alternate determination concerning the "use" of Mentor's hardware logic emulator in the United

States if the term "covered product" in the cease and desist order is interpreted to include infringing hardware and software that has not been imported, (3) affirm the ALJ's Order No. 115, and (4) to grant the motion of Quickturn Design Systems, Inc. ("Quickturn") to file a reply to the response of the Commission investigative attorney ("IA") to Quickturn's petitions to the Commission.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Timothy P. Monaghan, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436, telephone 202-205-3152. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>). Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Inv. No. 337-TA-383 was instituted on March 8, 1996, based on a complaint by Quickturn. The respondents named in the investigation were Mentor and Meta Systems (hereinafter collectively "Mentor"). The products at issue were certain hardware logic emulation systems used in the semiconductor industry to debug and test electronic circuit designs for semiconductor devices.

On July 31, 1997, the ALJ issued his final initial determination ("ID") finding that Mentor had violated section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337) by infringing certain claims of U.S. Letters Patent 5,329,470, 5,036,473, 5,448,496, and 5,109,353, all owned by Quickturn. On October 2, 1997, the Commission determined not to review the ALJ's final ID, and on December 3, 1997, issued a limited exclusion order prohibiting the importation of respondents' emulators and components thereof found to infringe one or more of the patent claims in controversy. The Commission also issued a cease and desist order prohibiting, *inter alia*, the electronic importation and transmission of infringing hardware emulation software.

On August 20, 1999 Mentor filed a petition with the Commission requesting issuance of an advisory opinion pursuant to Commission rule 210.79(a) (19 CFR 210.79(a)). Mentor contended that remote access from the United States of its hardware logic emulation systems housed in "design verification centers" located outside the United States would not infringe Quickturn's patents and, therefore,

would not be covered by the Commission's limited exclusion order and/or the cease and desist order. On November 10, 1999, the Commission instituted an advisory opinion proceeding to determine (1) whether Mentor's proposed foreign design verification centers would be covered by the cease and desist order issued in this investigation, and (2) whether the importation of integrated circuits ("ICs") designed and debugged by IC designers in the United States using Mentor's foreign design verification centers would be covered by the limited exclusion order issued in this investigation. The Commission remanded the advisory opinion proceeding to the ALJ for appropriate proceedings and the issuance of an initial advisory opinion ("IAO"). The ALJ was given the authority to conduct any proceedings he deemed necessary, including taking evidence and ordering discovery.

Quickturn stipulated that ICs designed and debugged by designers in the United States using Mentor's design verification centers would not be covered by the limited exclusion order issued in the investigation. Therefore, only the Commission's cease and desist order remained at issue in the IAO proceeding.

An evidentiary hearing was conducted by the ALJ on June 5 and 6, 2000. On June 23, 2000, the ALJ issued Order No. 115 finding that Quickturn had waived arguments that any Mentor's infringing hardware emulation software would be resident in the United States under the proposed scheme. On August 7, 2000, the ALJ issued his IAO finding that Mentor's proposed access in the United States of Mentor's foreign design verification centers would not be covered by the Commission's cease and desist order issued in the investigation.

The ALJ found in the alternative that if the term "covered product" in the cease and desist order is interpreted to include infringing hardware and software that has not been imported into the United States, then Mentor's U.S. customers would be "using" the "covered product" in violation of the cease and desist order.

On August 18, 2000, Quickturn filed a petition for review of the IAO and a petition for the Commission to review and reverse the ALJ's ruling Order No. 115, and Mentor filed a conditional petition for review of the IAO. The IA did not petition for review of the IAO. On August 25, 2000, Mentor, Quickturn, and the IA filed responses to the petitions for review.