

Register pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act on March 2, 2001 (66 FR 13082).

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—National Center for Manufacturing Sciences, Inc. (Formerly Known as Michigan Materials and Processing Institute)

Notice is hereby given that, on April 29, 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"), National Center for Manufacturing Sciences, Inc. (formerly known as Michigan Materials and Processing Institute) 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, DASCOM, Inc., Santa Cruz, CA; Liburdi Dimetrics Corporation, Dundas, Ontario, CANADA; Liburdi Engineering Limited, Dundas, Ontario, CANADA; Liburdi Pulseweld Corporation, Dundas, Ontario, CANADA; and Northwest Mettech Corporation, Richmond, British Columbia, CANADA have been added as active members of this venture. Also, Ecole Polytechnique, Montreal, Quebec, CANADA; Materials Technology Laboratory, CANMET, Ottawa, Ontario, CANADA; and Natural Resources Canada, Ottawa, Ontario, CANADA have been added as associate members. Also, Cimetrix Incorporated, Midvale, UT; J.P. Industrial, Inc., Canton, MI; and Littleford Brothers, Inc., Florence, KY have been dropped 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 National Center for Manufacturing Sciences, Inc. (formerly known as Michigan Materials and Processing Institute) intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On August 7, 1990, Michigan Materials and Processing Institute (now known as National Center for

Manufacturing Sciences) 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 September 6, 1990 (55 FR 36710).

The last notification was filed with the Department on February 9, 1998. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act on July 24, 1998 (63 FR 39902).

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Secure Digital Music Initiative

Notice is hereby given that, on April 24, 2001, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), Secure Digital Music Initiative ("SDMI") 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, IBM, Endicott, NY; MediaMatec AG, Zuerich, SWITZERLAND; Winbond Electronics Corporation, Hsinchu, TAIWAN; J-Phone Communications, Tokyo, JAPAN; NTRU Cryptosystems, Inc., Burlington, MA; Imagination Technologies, Kings Langley, Hertfordshire, UNITED KINGDOM; MPMan.com, Inc., Seoul, REPUBLIC OF KOREA; Coding Technologies, Nuremberg, GERMANY; and SSFDC Forum, Tokyo, JAPAN have been added as parties to this venture. Also, Aegisoft Corporation, Rockville, MD; AMP3.com/JVWeb, New York, NY; Audio Matrix, New York, NY; BreakerTech, Beaconsfield, Berkshire, UNITED KINGDOM; CDWorld Corporation, New York, NY; C-ONE TECH Co., Ltd., Seoul, REPUBLIC OF KOREA; Comverse Technology, Tel-Aviv, ISRAEL; Digital Media on Demand, Allston, MA; Encoding.com/Loudeye Technologies, Seattle, WA; Guillemot, Carentoir, FRANCE; I2GO.COM, Atlanta, GA; J.River, Inc., Minneapolis, MN; LG Electronic, Seoul, REPUBLIC OF KOREA; M.A.R.S.

(Multimedia Archive and Retrieval System), London, UNITED KINGDOM; MODE (Music-on-Demand), London, UNITED KINGDOM; MusicMarc, Inc., Jerusalem, ISRAEL; News Corp (NDS Technologies), Los Angeles, CA; Perception Digital, Ltd. Hong Kong, HONG KONG—CHINA; Sphere Multimedia, Hallandale, FL; Supertracks.com, Portland, OR; URocket, Inc., Sunnyvale, CA; Wavo Corporation, Phoenix, AZ; AudioTrack Corporation, Toronto, Ontario, CANADA; Cognicity, Inc., Edina, MN; HitHive, Inc., Seattle, WA; ARTISTdirect, Los Angeles, CA; and Musicmaker.com, Inc., Reston, VA have been dropped from the venture.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of this group research project. Membership in the group research project remains open, and SDMI intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On June 28, 1999, SDMI 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 December 2, 1999 (64 FR 67591).

The last notification was filed with the Department on September 21, 2000. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act on November 24, 2000 (65 FR 70614).

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Silicon Integration Initiative, Inc.

Notice is hereby given that, on May 2, 2001, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), Silicon Integration Initiative, Inc. ("SI2") 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, Agilent Technologies, Inc., Palo Alto, CA; Partminer, Inc., Englewood, CO; Aprisa, Inc., Westlake

Village, CA; eChips, Inc., Austin, TX; Circuit Semantics, San Jose, CA; ChipData, Richardson, TX; eSilicon, Palo Alto, CA; Sequence Design, Santa Clara, CA; Intime Software, Cupertino, CA; Silicon Metrics, Austin, TX; and Web-Pro, Ltd., Hong Kong, HONG KONG-CHINA have been added as parties to this venture. Also, Hitachi, Ltd., Tokyo, JAPAN; SEMATECH, Austin, TX; Infineon Technologies, Munich GERMANY; and RAPID, Dallas, TX have been dropped as parties to this venture.

In addition, Questlink Technology, Inc., Austin, TX has merged into eChips, Austin, TX, and is itself no longer a member; Concurrent CAE Solutions, Inc., Santa Clara, CA was acquired by ChipData, Richardson, TX, and is itself no longer a member; and Frequency Technology, Inc., San Jose, CA has merged into Sequence Design, Santa Clara, CA, and is itself no longer a member.

Finally, SGS Thompson Microelectronics, Argate Brianza, ITALY has changed its name to STMicroelectronics, Argate Brianza, ITALY.

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 SI2 intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On December 30, 1988, SI2 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 March 13, 1989 (54 FR 10456).

The last notification was filed with the Department on April 28, 2000. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act on March 2, 2001 (66 FR 13083).

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of Justice Programs

[OJP (BJS)-1316]

Continuation of Federal Justice Statistics Program

AGENCY: Bureau of Justice Statistics, Office of Justice Programs, Justice.

ACTION: Solicitation for award of cooperative agreement.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to announce a public solicitation for the

continuation of the Bureau of Justice Statistics' (BJS) Federal Justice Statistics Program (FJSP). The FJSP serves as the national resource for data describing the processing of criminal cases in the Federal criminal justice system. Under this program, data generated by Federal criminal justice agencies are collected, maintained, analyzed, and archived. Data are also linked across agencies to permit more complex analyses of Federal criminal justice issues. Regular annual reports and special topical reports are prepared that describe the Federal criminal justice system, Federal defendants and offenses, and other special issues of interest. In addition, special tabulations are prepared, pursuant to BJS direction, in response to requests from government officials. The project to be funded under the proposed cooperative agreement will continue the program's current activities.

DATES: Proposals must be postmarked on, or before, July 20, 2001. Awards will be made by September 30, 2001. Project activities will commence on October 1, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Proposals should be mailed to: Applications Coordinator, Bureau of Justice Statistics, 810 7th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20531.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Scalia, Program Manager, Federal Justice Statistics Program, Bureau of Justice Statistics. Phone: (202) 616-3276. E-mail: John.Scalia@usdoj.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Bureau of Justice Statistics Federal Justice Statistics Program (FJSP) was initiated in 1982 to serve as a central resource for information describing the processing of Federal criminal defendants and characteristics of those defendants. The program collects data from different components of the Federal criminal justice system and tracks the progress of suspects from investigation through prosecution, adjudication, sentencing, and corrections. The program represents the primary BJS effort describing the Federal criminal justice system and responds directly to the legislative authorization that BJS "collect, analyze, and disseminate comprehensive Federal justice transaction statistics (including statistics on issues of Federal justice interest such as public fraud and high technology crime)" as set forth in 42 U.S.C. 3732(c)(15).

In keeping with the original program plan which was designed to minimize data collection costs, no original data collection is supported under this program. Data are obtained from

operational Federal agencies including the U.S. Marshals Service, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Executive Office for the United States Attorneys, the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, the Bureau of Prisons, and the United States Sentencing Commission. In order to trace the flow of cases from one stage to another and to supplement any individual agency's data, computer matching techniques have been developed that permit the linking of data obtained from different sources. The linking of these data permit more complex and detailed analysis of particular issues.

Throughout the history of the FJSP, a regular series of reports has been produced. These reports include the annual *Compendium of Federal Justice Statistics* (available on the Internet at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/abstract/cfjs99.htm>) which describes, in detail, offenders processed at each stage of the Federal criminal justice system for a particular year, the annual *Federal Criminal Case Processing report* (available on the Internet at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/abstract/fccp99.htm>) which present key statistics for the reporting year and trend for the past several years, and a series of Special Reports addressing specific aspects of the Federal criminal justice system, specific offenses, or other special issues of interest. Recent Special Reports include: Federal Criminal Appeals, 1999, with trends 1985-99 (available on the Internet at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/fca99.htm>), Offenders Returning to Federal Prison, 1986-97 (available on the Internet at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/abstract/orfp97.htm>), and Federal Firearm Offenders, 1992-98 (available on the Internet at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/abstract/ffo98.htm>). In addition, the program serves as the primary source of information for other BJS statistical series that describe individuals in the Federal criminal justice system; program staff have also responded to ad hoc BJS requests for specific data tabulations and analyses from public officials and private citizens.

Objectives

The purpose of this award is to support the continuation of the Federal Justice Statistics Program. The recipient of funds will serve as the Federal Justice Statistics Resource Center whereby the recipient will continue to collect, maintain, and archive data from Federal justice agencies, produce annual reports (the *Compendium of Federal Justice Statistics* and *Federal Criminal Case*