

i. *EPA Dockets.* Your use of EPA's electronic public docket to submit comments to EPA electronically is EPA's preferred method for receiving comments. Go directly to EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>, and follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once in the system, select "search," and then key in docket ID number OPP-2003-0081. The system is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity, e-mail address, or other contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment.

ii. *E-mail.* Comments may be sent by e-mail to opp-docket@epa.gov, Attention: Docket ID Number OPP-2003-0081. In contrast to EPA's electronic public docket, EPA's e-mail system is not an "anonymous access" system. If you send an e-mail comment directly to the docket without going through EPA's electronic public docket, EPA's e-mail system automatically captures your e-mail address. E-mail addresses that are automatically captured by EPA's e-mail system are included as part of the comment that is placed in the official public docket, and made available in EPA's electronic public docket.

iii. *Disk or CD ROM.* You may submit comments on a disk or CD ROM that you mail to the mailing address identified in Unit I.C.2. These electronic submissions will be accepted in WordPerfect or ASCII file format. Avoid the use of special characters and any form of encryption.

2. *By mail.* Send your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB) (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001, Attention: Docket ID Number OPP-2003-0081.

3. *By hand delivery or courier.* Deliver your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA, Attention: Docket ID Number OPP-2003-0081. Such deliveries are only accepted during the docket's normal hours of operation as identified in Unit I.B.1.

D. How Should I Submit CBI To the Agency?

Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI electronically through EPA's electronic public docket or by e-mail. You may claim information that you submit to EPA as CBI by marking any part or all of that information as CBI (if you submit CBI

on disk or CD ROM, mark the outside of the disk or CD ROM as CBI and then identify electronically within the disk or CD ROM the specific information that is CBI). Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2.

In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes any information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public docket and EPA's electronic public docket. If you submit the copy that does not contain CBI on disk or CD ROM, mark the outside of the disk or CD ROM clearly that it does not contain CBI. Information not marked as CBI will be included in the public docket and EPA's electronic public docket without prior notice. If you have any questions about CBI or the procedures for claiming CBI, please consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**

E. What Should I Consider as I Prepare My Comments for EPA?

You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

1. Explain your views as clearly as possible.
2. Describe any assumptions that you used.
3. Provide copies of any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.
4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate that you provide.
5. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns.
6. Offer alternative ways to improve the notice.
7. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline in this document.
8. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify the docket ID number assigned to this action in the subject line on the first page of your response. You may also provide the name, date, and **Federal Register** citation.

II. Background

The GLFC has submitted an application for an EUP to determine if the male sea lamprey sex pheromone, 3-ketopetromyzonol sulfate is as effective as spermiating male sea lamprey washings in attracting ovulated female sea lampreys. The study is to be conducted in the Ocqueoc River, Presque County, Michigan with a total treated acreage of 0.15 acre.

III. What Action is the Agency Taking?

Following the review of the GLFC application and any comments and data

received in response to this notice, EPA will decide whether to issue or deny the EUP request for this EUP program, and if issued, the conditions under which it is to be conducted. Any issuance of an EUP will be announced in the **Federal Register**.

IV. What is the Agency's Authority for Taking this Action?

The Agency's authority for taking this action is under FIFRA section 5.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection,
Experimental use permits.

Dated: April 1, 2003.

Janet L. Andersen,

Director, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7478-4]

Notice of Proposed Lessee Agreement Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as Amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act and the Solid Waste Disposal Act, Commonly Referred to as the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, as Amended by the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984 ("RCRA")

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9601-9675, and the Solid Waste Disposal Act, commonly referred to as the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, as amended by the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984 ("RCRA"), 42 U.S.C. 6901-6992k, notice is hereby given that a proposed Prospective Lessee Agreement ("Lessee Agreement") associated with a 27-acre parcel of property formerly owned and operated by Allied-Signal located in Baltimore, Maryland (the "Property"), was executed by the Environmental Protection Agency, the Maryland

Department of the Environment and the Department of Justice and is now subject to public comment, after which the United States and the State of Maryland may modify or withdraw their consent if comments received disclose facts or considerations which indicate that the Lessee Agreement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate. The Lessee Agreement will resolve certain potential EPA claims under sections 106 and 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9606 and 9607(a); sections 3008(h) and 7003 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6928(h) and 6973 and MDE claims under Title 7, Subtitle 2 of the Environment Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland against SBER Harbor Point, LLC and Harbor Point Development, LLC (the "Lessees").

During its operation and ownership of the Property, Allied-Signal used the Property for chromium processing activities which contributed to chromium contamination in the soil and the groundwater at the Property. In June 1989, Region III, the MDE and Allied-Signal entered into a Consent Decree under RCRA under which Allied-Signal agreed to conduct an on-site and off-site investigation. As a result of those investigations, EPA and MDE chose a remedy for the Site which required Allied-Signal to, among other things, construct a hydraulic barrier to contain the contaminated groundwater and conduct perpetual monitoring.

EPA and MDE have determined that Honeywell, the current owner of the Property, is successfully completing the requirements under the Consent Decree. Upon entering a lease with the Lessees, Honeywell will still be required to complete and maintain the remedy as provided for under the Consent Decree.

For fifteen (15) days following the date of publication of this notice, the Agency will accept written comments relating to the proposed Lessee Agreement. The Agency's response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 24, 2003.

Availability: The proposed Lessee Agreement and additional background information relating to the proposed Lessee Agreement are available for public inspection at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103. A copy of the proposed Lessee Agreement may be obtained from Suzanne Canning, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Legal

Program Coordinator (3RC00), 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103. Comments should reference the "Allied-Signal Prospective Lessee Agreement" and "RCRA-03-2003-0088TH," and should be forwarded to Suzanne Canning at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sheila Briggs-Steuteville (3RC43), Senior Assistant Regional Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103, Phone: (215) 814-2468.

Dated: April 2, 2003.

Donald S. Welsh,

Regional Administrator, Region III.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPT-2002-0080; FRL-7299-7]

Lead-Based Paint Activities; State of North Dakota Lead-Based Paint Program

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; final approval of the State of North Dakota Lead-Based Paint Activities Program.

SUMMARY: On October 4, 2002, EPA received an application from the State of North Dakota requesting authorization to administer a Program in accordance with section 402 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Included in the application was a letter signed September 26, 2002, by the Governor of North Dakota, stating that the State's Lead-Based Paint Abatement Program is at least as protective of human health and the environment as the Federal program under TSCA section 402. Also, included was a letter from the Attorney General of North Dakota, certifying that the laws and regulations of the State provided adequate legal authority to administer and enforce TSCA section 402. North Dakota certifies that its program meets the requirements for approval of a State program under section 404 of TSCA and that North Dakota has the legal authority and ability to implement the appropriate elements necessary to enforce the program. Therefore, pursuant to section 404, the program is deemed authorized as of the date of submission. Today's notice announces the authorization of the State of North Dakota Lead-Based Paint Activities Program to apply in the State of North Dakota effective September 26, 2002.

DATES: The Lead-Based Paint Activities Program authorization was granted to the State of North Dakota on September 26, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amanda Hasty, Lead Coordinator, Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 8P-P3T, 999 18th St., Suite 300, Denver, CO 80202-2466; telephone: (303) 312-6966; e-mail address: hasty.amanda@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General

A. Does this Notice Apply to Me?

This notice is directed to the public in general. This notice may, however, be of interest to firms and individuals engaged in lead-based paint activities in North Dakota. Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by the notice. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this notice to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

B. Summary

On October 28, 1992, the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, Public Law 102-550, became law. Title X of that statute was the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992. The Act amended TSCA (15 U.S.C. 2601 *et seq.*) by adding Title IV (15 U.S.C. 2681-92), titled "Lead Exposure Reduction."

Section 402 of TSCA (15 U.S.C. 2682) authorizes and directs EPA to promulgate final regulations governing lead-based paint activities in target housing, public and commercial buildings, bridges and other structures. On August 29, 1996 (61 FR 45777) (FRL-5389-9), EPA promulgated final TSCA section 402/404 regulations governing lead-based paint activities in target housing and child-occupied facilities (a subset of public buildings). These regulations are to ensure that individuals engaged in such activities are properly trained, that training programs are accredited, and that individuals engaged in these activities are certified and follow documented work practice standards. Under section 404 (15 U.S.C. 2684), a State or Indian Tribe may seek authorization from EPA to administer and enforce its own lead-based paint activities program.

States and Tribes that choose to apply for program authorization must submit a complete application to the appropriate Regional EPA Office for review. EPA will review those applications within 180 days of receipt