notice of scheduling, which will be published in the Federal Register as provided in section 207.21 of the Commission's rules, upon notice from the Department of Commerce (Commerce) of an affirmative preliminary determination in the investigation under section 733(b) of the Act, or, if the preliminary determination is negative, upon notice of an affirmative final determination in that investigation under section 735(a) of the Act. Parties that filed entries of appearance in the preliminary phase of the investigation need not enter a separate appearance for the final phase of the investigation. Industrial users, and, if the merchandise under investigation is sold at the retail level, representative consumer organizations have the right to appear as parties in Commission antidumping and countervailing duty investigations. The Secretary will prepare a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to the investigation.

Background

On June 23, 2003, a petition was filed with the Commission and Commerce by Penn Specialty Chemicals, Inc., Plymouth Meeting, PA, alleging that an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury by reason of LTFV imports of tetrahydrofurfuryl alcohol from China. Accordingly, effective June 23, 2003, the Commission instituted antidumping duty investigation No. 731–TA–1046 (Preliminary).

Notice of the institution of the Commission's investigation and of a public conference to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the Federal Register of June 30, 2003 (69 FR 38721). The conference was held in Washington, DC, on July 14, 2003, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.

The Commission transmitted its determination in this investigation to the Secretary of Commerce on August 7, 2003. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 3620 (August 2003), entitled Tetrahydrofurfuryl Alcohol from China: Investigation No. 1046 (Preliminary).

By order of the Commission.

Issued: August 11, 2003.

Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary to the Commission.
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of the Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights; Certification of the Maryland Accessibility Code Under the Americans With Disabilities Act

AGENCY: Department of Justice. **ACTION:** Notice of preliminary determination of equivalency, the period for submitting public comments and the hearing in Maryland on the proposed determination of equivalency.

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice (Department) has determined that the Maryland Accessibility Code, under .05.02.02 of the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR), as adopted pursuant to Article 83B, section 6-102 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (together, the Maryland law), meets or exceeds the new construction and alterations requirements of title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA). The Department proposes to issue a final certification, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 12188(b)(1)(A)(ii) and 28 CFR 36.601 et seq., which would constitute rebuttable evidence, in any enforcement proceeding, that a building constructed or altered in accordance with the Maryland law meets or exceeds the requirements of the ADA. The Department invites public comment on the proposed certification determination and will hold an informal hearing on the proposed determination in Ellicott City, Maryland.

DATES: To be assured of consideration, comments must be in writing and must be received on or before October 14, 2003. The hearing in Ellicott City, Maryland is scheduled for Thursday, September 4, 2003, at 1 p.m., Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the preliminary determination of equivalency and on the proposal to issue final certification of equivalency of the Maryland law should be sent to: John L. Wodatch, Chief, Disability Rights Section, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., 1425 NYA Building, Washington, DC 20530.

The hearing in Maryland will be held at the office of the Maryland Department of Community Development located at: The Banneker Room, George Howard Building/Howard County Office Complex, Ellicott City, MD 21043.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John L. Wodatch, Chief, Disability Rights Section, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., 1425 NYA Building, Washington, DC 20530. Telephone number (800) 514–0301 (Voice) or (800) 514–0383 (TTY).

Copies of this notice are available in formats accessible to individuals with vision impairments and may be obtained by calling (800) 514–0301 (Voice) or (800) 514–0383 (TTY). Copies of the Maryland law and supporting materials may be inspected by appointment at 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Suite 4039, Washington, DC by calling Linda Garrett at (202) 353–0423 TTY, or by e-mail at Linda. Garrett@usdoj.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The ADA authorizes the Department of Justice, upon application by a State or local government, to certify that a State or local law that establishes accessibility requirements meets or exceeds the minimum requirements of title III of the ADA for new construction and alterations. 42 U.S.C. 12188(b)(1)(A)(ii); 28 CFR 36.601 et seq. Final certification constitutes rebuttable evidence, in any ADA enforcement action, that a building constructed or altered in accordance with the certified code complies with the new construction and alterations requirements of title III of the ADA.

The Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development requested that the Department of Justice (Department) certify that the Maryland Accessibility Code, under .05.02.02 of the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR), as adopted pursuant to Article 83B, section 6–102 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (together, the Maryland law), meets or exceeds the new construction and alterations requirements of title III of the ADA.

The Department has analyzed the Maryland law and has preliminarily determined that it meets or exceeds the new construction and alterations requirements of title III of the ADA. By letter dated May 29, 2003, the Department notified the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development of its preliminary determination of equivalency.

Effect of Certification: The certification determination will be limited to the version of the Maryland law that has been submitted to the Department. The certification will not apply to amendments or interpretations

Washington, DC on the proposed

that have not been submitted and reviewed by the Department.

Certification will not apply to buildings constructed by or for State or local government entities, which are subject to title II of the ADA. Nor does certification apply to accessibility requirements that are addressed by the Maryland law that are not addressed by the ADA Standards for Accessible Design.

Finally, certification does not apply to variances or waivers granted under the Maryland law. Therefore, if a builder receives a variance, waiver, modification, or other exemption from the requirements of the Maryland law for any element of construction or alterations, the certification determination will not constitute evidence of ADA compliance with respect to that element.

Procedure: The Department will review comments received from the public regarding the proposed determination and, during the 60-day comment period, will hold an informal hearing in Maryland to provide an opportunity for interested persons, including individuals with disabilities, to express their views with respect to the preliminary determination of equivalency of the Maryland law. Interested parties who wish to testify at the hearing should contact Linda Garrett at (202) 353–0423 TTY or by e-mail at Linda. Garrett@usdoj.gov.

The hearing site will be accessible to individuals with disabilities. Individuals who require sign language interpreters or other auxiliary aids should contact Linda Garrett at (202) 353–0423 TTY, or by e-mail at Linda. Garrett@usdoj.gov. A notice of at least four days before the hearing date would be greatly appreciated if individuals require sign language interpreters or other auxiliary aids.

Dated: August 8, 2003.

J. Michael Wiggins,

Acting Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of the Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights; Certification of the Maryland Accessibility Code Under the Americans With Disabilities Act

AGENCY: Department of Justice. **ACTION:** Notice of hearing.

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice will hold an informal hearing in

certification that the Maryland Accessibility Code, under .05.02.02 of the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR), as adopted pursuant to Article 83B, section 6-102 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (together, the Maryland law), meets or exceeds the new construction and alterations requirements of title III of the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA). DATES: The hearing in Washington, DC is scheduled for Wednesday, October 22, 2003, at 2 p.m. Eastern Time. **ADDRESSES:** The hearing will be held at: Disability Rights Section, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Suite 4039, Washington, DC. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John L. Wodatch, Chief, Disability Rights Section, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, 1425 NYA Building, Washington, DC 20530. Telephone number (800) 514–0301 (Voice) or (800) 514–0383 (TTY).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: Elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**, the Department of Justice (Department) is publishing a notice in the Federal Register announcing that it had preliminarily determined that the Maryland Accessibility Code, under .05.02.02 of the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR), as adopted pursuant to Article 83B, section 6-102 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (together, the Maryland law), meets or exceeds the new construction and alterations requirements of title III of the ADA. The Department noted that it intended to issue final certification of the Maryland law and requested written comments on the preliminary determination and the proposed final certification. The Department also noted that it intended to hold an informal hearing in Ellicott City, Maryland, during the 60-day comment period on the preliminary determination.

Procedure: In addition to the informal hearing in Ellicott City, Maryland, the Department will hold an informal hearing in Washington, DC, after the close of the 60-day comment period to provide an opportunity for interested persons, including individuals with disabilities, to express their views with respect to the issuance of a final determination of equivalency of the Maryland Law. Interested parties who wish to testify at the hearing should

contact Linda Garrett at (202) 353–0423 TTY, or by e-mail at Linda. Garrett@usdoj.gov.

The meeting site will be accessible to individuals with disabilities. Individuals who require sign language interpreters or other auxiliary aids should contact Linda Garrett at (202) 353–0423 TTY, or by e-mail at Linda. Garrett@usdoj.gov. A notice of at least four days before the hearing date would be greatly appreciated if individuals require sign language interpreters or other auxiliary aids.

Dated: August 8, 2003.

J. Michael Wiggins,

Acting Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—The Digital Subscriber Line Forum

Notice is hereby given that, on July 16, 2003, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 et seq. ("the Act"), The Digital Subscriber Line Forum ("DSL") 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, ASTRI, Tsimshatsui, Kowloon, Hong Kong-China; Bridgewater Systems, Kanata, Ontario, Canada; Celite Systems, Austin, TX; Cidco Communications Corporation, Morgan Hill, CA; DrayTek Corp., Hsinchu, Taiwan; E & E Magnetic Products, Hong Kong, Hong Kong-China; eCommerce Innovation Centre, Cardiff, Wales, United Kingdom; Efficient Networks, Dallas, TX; Entrisphere, Santa Clara, CA; Gemtek Technology Co., Hokou, Hsinchu, Taiwan; Georgia Tech Broadband Institute, Atlanta, GA; Incognito Software, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada; Infratel Communications, Huntingdon Valley, PA; ITI Limited, Bangalore, Karatka, India; Juniper Networks, Westford, MA; Lite-On Technology, Chung-Ho, Taipei, Hsien, Taiwan; Netgear, Santa Clara, CA; Pinenet, Broken Bow, OK; Point Topic,