

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

Helen M. Hankins,

Associate State Director.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Notice of Appointment of Individuals To Serve as Members of Performance Review Boards

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Appointment of individuals to serve as members of Performance Review Board.

DATES: *Effective:* September 26, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeri L. Buchholz, Director of Human Resources, U.S. International Trade Commission (202) 205-2651.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Chairman of the U.S. International Trade Commission has appointed the following individuals to serve on the Commission's Performance Review Board (PRB):

Chairman of PRB—Vice-Chairman
Deanna Tanner Okun.

Chairman of PRB—Commissioner
Jennifer A. Hillman.

Member—Robert A. Rogowsky.

Member—Lyn M. Schlitt.

Member—Stephen A. McLaughlin.

Member—Lynn I. Levine.

Member—Robert G. Carpenter.

Member—Robert B. Koopman.

Member—James Lyons.

Member—Karen Laney-Cummings.

This notice is published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to the requirement of 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4). Hearing-impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting our TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810.

Issued: September 26, 2005.

By order of the Chairman.

Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[USITC SE-08-022]

Government in the Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: United States International Trade Commission.

TIME AND DATE: August 11, 2008 at 11 a.m.

PLACE: Room 101, 500 E. Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436, Telephone: (202) 205-2000.

STATUS: Open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Agenda for future meetings: None.
2. Minutes.
3. Ratification List.
4. Inv. Nos. 701-TA-453 and 731-TA-1136-1137 (Final)(Sodium Nitrite from China and Germany)—briefing and vote. (The Commission is currently scheduled to transmit its determinations and Commissioners' opinions to the Secretary of Commerce on or before August 20, 2008.)

5. Outstanding action jackets: (1) Document No. GC-08-147: Final disposition of Inv. No. 337-TA-487 (Certain Agricultural Vehicles and Components Thereof).

In accordance with Commission policy, subject matter listed above, not disposed of at the scheduled meeting, may be carried over to the agenda of the following meeting. Earlier announcement of this meetings was not possible.

By order of the Commission.

Issued: August 5, 2008.

William R. Bishop,

Hearings and Meetings Coordinator.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[USITC SE-08-023]

Government in the Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: United States International Trade Commission.

TIME AND DATE: August 12, 2008 at 11 a.m.

PLACE: Room 101, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436, Telephone: (202) 205-2000.

STATUS: Open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Agenda for future meetings: None.
2. Minutes.
3. Ratification List.

4. Inv. Nos. 701-TA-452 and 731-TA-1129-1130 (Final)(Raw Flexible Magnets from China and Taiwan)—briefing and vote. (The Commission is currently scheduled to transmit its determinations and Commissioners' opinions to the Secretary of Commerce on or before August 25, 2008.)

5. Outstanding action jackets: (1) Document No. GC-08-147: Final disposition of Inv. No. 337-TA-487 (Certain Agricultural Vehicles and Components Thereof).

In accordance with Commission policy, subject matter listed above, not disposed of at the scheduled meeting, may be carried over to the agenda of the following meeting.

By order of the Commission.

Issued: August 5, 2008.

William R. Bishop,

Hearings and Meetings Coordinator.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[USITC SE-08-024]

Government in the Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: United States International Trade Commission.

TIME AND DATE: August 15, 2008 at 11 a.m.

PLACE: Room 101, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436, Telephone: (202) 205-2000.

STATUS: Open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Agenda for future meetings: None.
2. Minutes.
3. Ratification List.
4. Inv. Nos. 701-TA-448 and 731-TA-1117 (Final) (Certain Off-the-Road Tires from China)—briefing and vote. (The Commission is currently scheduled to transmit its determinations and Commissioners' opinions to the Secretary of Commerce on or before August 28, 2008.)

5. Outstanding action jackets: (1) Document No. GC-08-147: Final disposition of Inv. No. 337-TA-487 (Certain Agricultural Vehicles and Components Thereof).

In accordance with Commission policy, subject matter listed above, not disposed of at the scheduled meeting, may be carried over to the agenda of the following meeting.

By order of the Commission.

Issued: August 5, 2008.

William R. Bishop,

Hearings and Meetings Coordinator.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Federal Register Notice

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Defense Production Act of 1950, 50 U.S.C. App. § 2158 (“DPA”) that the Attorney General finds that the purpose of a Voluntary Tanker Agreement (“VTA”) proposed by the Maritime Administration (“MarAd”) may not reasonably be achieved through a voluntary agreement or plan of action having less anticompetitive effects or without any voluntary agreement of plan of action. The text of the proposed VTA was published in Volume 72 of the **Federal Register** at pages 41099–41103 (July 26, 2007).

Under the DPA, MarAd may enter into agreements with representatives of private industry for the purpose of improving the efficiency with which private firms contribute to the national defense when conditions exist that may pose a direct threat to the national defense or its preparedness. Such arrangements are generally known as “voluntary agreements.” A defense to actions brought under the antitrust laws is available to each participant acting within the scope of a voluntary agreement that has come into force under the DPA.

The DPA requires that each proposed voluntary agreement be reviewed by the Attorney General prior to becoming effective. If, after consulting with the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, the Attorney General finds that the purpose of the DPA “may not be reasonably achieved through a voluntary agreement having less anticompetitive effects or without any voluntary agreement or plan of action,” the agreement may become effective. 50 U.S.C. App. § 2158(f)(1)(B). The Attorney General’s authority is delegated to the Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division by 28 CFR 0.40(e).

The purpose of the proposed VTA is to support Department of Defense (“DoD”) contingency requirements to provide tanker capacity during times of crisis through procedures agreed in advance. The proposed VTA establishes the terms, conditions and procedures under which participants agree voluntarily to make tankers available to

the DoD. MarAd has certified that the proposed VTA is necessary to carry out its purpose.

MarAd requested that the Antitrust Division issue a finding that the proposed VTA satisfies the statutory criteria set forth in 50 U.S.C. App. § 2158(f)(1)(B). The Antitrust Division reviewed the proposed agreement, attended an open meeting of interested persons pursuant to the requirements of 44 CFR 332.2, and consulted with the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission as to the competitive effect of the proposed agreement. On July 23, 2008, by letter to Sean T. Connaughton, Maritime Administrator for MarAd, Thomas O. Barnett, Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division, issued a finding that the proposed agreement satisfies the statutory criteria.

J. Robert Kramer II,

Director of Operations, Antitrust Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Biotechnology Research and Development Corporation (“BRDC”)

Notice is hereby given that, on June 30, 2008, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* (the “Act”), Biotechnology Research and Development Corporation (“BRDC”) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership. 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, Global Protein Products, Inc., Winslow, ME has been added as a party 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 BRDC intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On April 13, 1988, BRDC 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 May 12, 1988 (53 FR 16919).

The last notification was filed with the Department on September 23, 2003. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act on October 14, 2003 (68 FR 59197).

Patricia Brink,

Deputy Director of Operations, Antitrust Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—the Information Technology Industry Council, Inc./the International Committee for Information Technology Standards

Notice is hereby given that, on June 25, 2008, 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 Information Technology Industry Council, Inc./The International Committee for Information Technology Industry Council, Inc. (“ITI/INCITS”) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing additions or changes to its standards development activities. 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, ITI/INCITS has approved 100 new national standards in such areas as Biometrics, Fibre Channel, Office Processing, Identification Cards and OSI, initiated numerous other new standards development projects, and restructured several of its technical committees, task groups and management committees. More detail regarding these activities—including a catalog of current standards, descriptions of proposed standards under public review, and information concerning comment procedure and deadlines—may be found at <http://www.incits.org>.

On September 21, 2004, ITI/INCITS 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