

various Federal, State, and local agencies as outlined in the Council on Environmental Quality Guidelines. Comments are also invited from others having knowledge of or special expertise on environmental impacts.

Comments concerning the proposed action or requests for additional information should be addressed to Edward E. Thomas, State Conservationist, Soil Conservation Service, P.O. Box 648, Temple, Tex. 76501.

Comments must be received on or before June 4, 1973, in order to be considered in the final environmental statement.

Dated April 5, 1973.

EUGENE C. BUIE,  
Acting Deputy Administrator for  
Watersheds Soil Conservation  
Service.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Paper copies of patents cannot be purchased from NTIS but are available from the Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, at \$0.50 each. Inquiries and requests for licensing information should be directed to the "Assignee" as indicated on the copy of the patent.

DOUGLAS J. CAMPION,  
Patent Program Coordinator,  
National Technical Information  
Service.

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Patent application 316,216: Electrolytic Preparation of Zirconium and Hafnium Diborides Using a Molten, Cryolite-Base Electrolyte; filed Dec. 18, 1972; PC \$3, MF \$0.95.

Patent application 316,217: Electrolytic Preparation of Titanium and Zirconium Diborides Using a Molten, Sodium Salt Electrolyte; filed Jan. 18, 1972; PC \$3/MF \$0.95.

#### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

Patent application 197,183: Airfoil Shape for Flight at Supersonic Speeds; filed Nov. 9, 1971; PC \$3.50/MF \$0.95.

Patent application 318,152: Metabolic Analyzer; filed Dec. 26, 1972; PC \$3.75/MF \$0.95.

Patent application 306,652: Capacitance Multiplier and Filter Synthesizing Network; filed Nov. 15, 1972; PC \$3.25/MF \$0.95.

Patent application 322,998: Measuring Probe Position Recorder; filed Jan. 12, 1973; PC \$3/MF \$0.95.

Patent application 286,771: A Manual Actuator; filed June 27, 1972; PC \$3/MF \$0.95.

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### Office of Import Programs UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

#### Notice of Decision on Application for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Article

The following is a decision on an application for duty-free entry of a scientific article pursuant to section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89V651, 80 Stat. 897) and the regulations issued thereunder as amended (37 FR 3892 et seq.).

A copy of the record pertaining to this decision is available for public review during ordinary business hours of the Department of Commerce, at the Office of Import Programs, Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C.

Docket No. 73-00229-01-07500. Applicant: University of Virginia, Department of Biochemistry, 1300 Jefferson Park Avenue, Jordan Medical Education Building, Charlottesville, Va. 22901. Article: Microcalorimeter, LKB 10700-2. Manufacturer: LKB Produkter AB, Sweden. Intended use of article: The article is intended to be used for research on the thermodynamics of biopolymer interactions. These interactions include the binding of small molecules to proteins (e.g. human hemoglobins) and the formation of complexes between protein subunits. Molar enthalpy changes associated with these interactions will be determined by mixing and/or dilution type experiments using either the batch microcalorimeter or the flow adapter. Changes in degree of molecular dissociation will be determined independently by optical measurements.

Comments: No comments have been received with respect to this application. Decision: Application approved. No instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign article, for such purposes as this article is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States. Reasons: The foreign article has a sensitivity of one microcalorie. The Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW) advises in its memorandum dated March 6, 1973, that the best sensitivity is pertinent to the purposes for which the article is intended to be used. HEW further advised that it knows of no domestically manufactured instrument which is scientifically equivalent to the foreign article for such purposes as the article is intended to be used.

The Department of Commerce knows of no other instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign article, for such purposes as this article

is intended to be used, which is being manufactured in the United States.

B. BLANKENHEIMER,  
Acting Director,  
Office of Import Programs.

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### VETERANS ADMINISTRATION HOSPITAL ET AL.

#### Notice of Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Articles

The following are notices of the receipt of applications for duty-free entry of scientific articles pursuant to section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-651; 80 Stat. 897). Interested persons may present their views with respect to the question of whether an instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value for the purposes for which the article is intended to be used is being manufactured in the United States. Such comments must be filed in triplicate with the Director, Special Import Programs Division, Office of Import Programs, Washington, D.C. 20230, on or before May 1, 1973.

Amended regulations issued under cited act, as published in the February 24, 1972, issue of the FEDERAL REGISTER, prescribe the requirements applicable to comments.

A copy of each application is on file, and may be examined during ordinary Commerce Department business hours at the Special Import Programs Division, Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C.

Docket No. 73-00420-33-46040. Applicant: Veterans Administration Hospital, 1055 Clermont Street, Denver, Colo. 80220. Article: Electron microscope, model EM 300. Manufacturer: Philips Electronic Instrument, NVD, The Netherlands. Intended use of article: The article is intended to be used to examine tissues removed at surgery or at time of autopsy from patients, including, but not restricted to cancerous tissue and biopsies from patients with kidney disease to gain a new knowledge about these diseases, and for routine diagnostic purposes. New techniques for examination of human tissues by electron microscopy will be developed; particularly the peroxidase-labeled antibody technique for the specific identification of proteins at the electron microscope level will be applied to human kidney biopsies. The article will also be used in studies of antibody synthesis to understand cell kinetics, cellular functions, and interactions between cells in the production of antibody. Educational uses will include instruction of physicians in residency (specialty) training in pathology in the principles and techniques of electron microscopy, and training of disabled veterans to be electron microscopy technicians. Application received by Commissioner of Customs: March 12, 1973.

Docket No. 73-00421-33-46500. Applicant: University of Iowa College of Medicine, Newton Road, Iowa City, Iowa

52242. Article: Ultramicrotome, model OM U3. Manufacturer: C. Reichert Optische Werke, Austria. Intended use of article: The article is intended to be used for studies of materials involved in electron microscopic studies of blood platelets and platelet aggregates. Other samples to be studied will include formed tissues of several types (spleen, lung, alimentary system, skin), with thrombi and sometimes with areas of necrosis and/or inflammation. The article will be used in the preparation of superior serial sections of these materials. Application received by Commissioner of Customs: March 9, 1973.

Docket No. 73-00422-33-46500. Applicant: State University College, Plattsburgh, N.Y. 12901. Article: Ultramicrotome, model LKB 8800A. Manufacturer: LKB Produkter AB, Sweden. Intended use of article: The article is intended to be used in investigations in biology involving studies of structure and functions at the subcellular or molecular level to review the functions and molecular aspects of living organisms. Application received by Commissioner of Customs: March 14, 1973.

Docket No. 73-00423-33-46500. Applicant: Massachusetts General Hospital, Fruit Street, Boston, Mass. 02114. Article: Ultramicrotome, model LKB 8800A. Manufacturer: LKB Produkter AB, Sweden. Intended use of article: The article is intended to be used to prepare thin sections of monolayer tissue culture systems to be used in studies of human brain tumors of various types growing in the culture. Comparative studies will also be made of freshly biopsied human brain tumors in order to understand the process of growth and differentiation of cancer cells in tissue culture. Application received by Commissioner of Customs: March 14, 1973.

Docket No. 73-00425-55-54100. Applicant: University of Washington, Oceanography Department, CU Project 14, Seattle, Wash. 98195. Article, Batfish model 3000, guideline CTD system, model 8103. Manufacturer: Guideline Instrument, Ltd., Canada. Intended use of article: The article is intended to be used for the study of the spatial and temporal variations of ecological parameters, such as nutrients, in the coastal upwelling systems in the ocean adjacent to various countries in the world. Application received by Commissioner of Customs: March 13, 1973.

Docket No. 73-00426-33-46500. Applicant: Albert Einstein College of Medicine, 1300 Morris Park Avenue, Bronx, N.Y. 10461. Article: Ultramicrotome, model LKB 8800A. Manufacturer: LKB Produkter AB, Sweden. Intended use of article: The article is intended to be used to cut a variety of tissue with different consistencies for the ultrastructural investigation of a variety of pathological conditions of the nervous system, especially those involving the developing brain and nerves. Application received by Commissioner of Customs: March 13, 1973.

Docket No. 73-00430-01-01100. Applicant: University of Alaska, Fairbanks,

Alaska 99701. Article: Nitrogen 15 analyzer, model NIA and accessories. Manufacturer: Japan Spectroscopic Co., Ltd., Japan. Intended use of article: The article is intended to be used to further ongoing studies of the marine and lacustrine nitrogen cycle with particular emphasis placed on cycling of nitrogen in northern production waters such as Prince William Sound, Gulf of Alaska, Bering Sea, Arctic Ocean, and Arctic and alpine lakes. 15/N studies in the area of nitrogen pollution and sewage treatment in cold climate will also be initiated. A study of the productivity and nutrient cycling of seagrass has recently been started. Extensive studies of the fresh water nitrogen cycle in Alaskan environments using 15/N are also to be continued. The article will also be used for educational purposes in a course entitled "Stable Isotope Tracer Techniques." Application received by Commissioner of Customs: March 5, 1973.

Docket No. 73-00431-01-01100. Applicant: University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, Mo. 65201. Article: Nitrogen 15 analyzer, NOI-5. Manufacturer: Iso-commerz, The Netherlands. Intended use of article: The article is intended to be used in the study of nitrogen metabolism, especially in ruminants. Several compounds containing 15/N will be used, including NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, urea, glycine and other amino acids as they are available. Experiments planned include:

- (1) The incorporation of <sup>15</sup>N into histidine of human subject depleted of histidine.
- (2) The incorporation of <sup>15</sup>N into serum amino acids of sheep deprived of exogenous amino acids.
- (3) The kinetics of disappearance of intravenously administered labelled amino acids.

The article will also be used in the courses animal husbandry 490 and 450 and nutrition 490 and 450 to provide research experience to graduate students. The students will be taught the operation of the instrument and use it for their individual research projects under the supervision of the major professor. Application received by Commissioner of Customs: March 16, 1973.

Docket No. 73-00432-33-46040. Applicant: The University of Michigan, Pathology Department, 1335 East Catherine, Ann Arbor Mich. 48104. Article: Electron Microscope, model EM 9S-2. Manufacturer: Carl Zeiss, West Germany. Intended use of article: The article is intended to be used to study normal, diseased, and neoplastic human tissue to ascertain the ultrastructural morphology of these tissues. Extensive studies of human tumors is also planned. In addition, the article will serve as an educational tool for use in a course for advanced medical students, graduate students, residents and faculty in the Department of Pathology and other departments. Application received by Commissioner of Customs: March 14, 1973.

Docket No. 73-00433-90-46070. Applicant: Herbert H. Lehman College, Bedford Park Boulevard, West Bronx, N.Y. 10468. Article: Scanning electron microscope, model JSM-U3. Manufacturer:

JEOL Ltd., Japan. Intended use of article: The article is intended to be used in a wide variety of research projects which include the following:

A. Studies evaluating the effects of various plant hormones on the structure of cells of higher plants during abscission.

B. Studies to determine wherein blue-green algae cells phosphate is localized.

C. Studies of the formation of spores in blue-green algae using light microscopy and transmission electron microscopy.

D. Studies to determine the effects of zinc and other metals on chromosome morphology.

E. Observation of pollen grains and other plant parts in connection with taxonomic studies.

The article will also be used in the training of graduate students in the techniques and special applications of scanning electron microscopy and used as a teaching instrument in the course cytology (biology 634). Application received by Commissioner of Customs: March 14, 1973.

Docket No. 73-00434-65-46070. Applicant: Northwestern University, Department of Materials Science, The Technological Institute, 2145 Sheridan Road, Evanston, Ill. 60201. Article: Scanning electron microscope, model S-4. Manufacturer: Cambridge Scientific Instrument Co., Ltd., United Kingdom. Intended use of article: The article is intended to be used to support research in a large number of research programs. Typical specimens to be examined are metal and alloys (both single and polycrystals), ceramics, semiconductors, various powders, polymers and compound materials. The photographs, ECP patterns, chemical analyses and other information acquired from the use of the article will be used in several courses including material science 750-C65, a course in electron microscopy and electron diffraction. Application received by Commissioner of Customs: March 14, 1973.

Docket No. 73-00506-33-46500. Applicant: Veterans' Administration Hospital, 500 Foothill Boulevard, Salt Lake City, Utah 84113. Article: Ultramicrotome, Model LKB 8800A. Manufacturer: LKB Produkter AB, Sweden. Intended use of article: The article is intended to be used to prepare ultrathin sections of tissues from human and animal organs. These materials will be used in experiments on ultrastructural changes at the lines in hypercholesterol diets. In addition the article will be used for training in electron microscopy. Application received by Commissioner of Customs: March 7, 1973.

Docket No. 73-00337-33-77040. Applicant: The Salk Institute, P.O. Box 1809, San Diego, Calif. 92112. Article: Mass spectrometer system, Model CH-5. Manufacturer: Varian, West Germany. Intended use of article: The article is intended to be used for research in population control. Intended application of the article will mainly be structural studies of peptides, particularly those derived from the hypothalamus. These studies can be grouped into four major areas.

- I. Direct sequence determination of peptides.  
 II. Precision mass determination.  
 III. GC-MS analysis of the PTH derivatives of amino acids.  
 IV. Direct evaporation analysis of the PTH derivatives.

Application received by Commissioner of Customs: January 15, 1973.

B. BLANKENHEIMER,  
*Acting Director,*  
*Office of Import Programs.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH,  
 EDUCATION, AND WELFARE**

**Food and Drug Administration**

[FAP 3B2893]

**ALCOLAC, INC.**

**Notice of Filing of Petition for Food Additive**

Pursuant to provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409 (b) (5), 72 Stat. 1786; 21 U.S.C. 348(b) (5)), notice is given that a petition (FAP 3B2893) has been filed by Alcolac, Inc., 3440 Fairfield Rd., Baltimore, Md. 21226, proposing that § 121.2520 adhesives (21 CFR 121.2520) be amended to provide for the safe use of polyethylene glycol mono(hydrogen sulfate) dodecyl ether, ammonium salt, as a component of adhesives intended for use in food-contact articles.

Dated April 3, 1973.

VIRGIL O. WODICKA,  
*Director, Bureau of Foods.*

[FR Doc. 73-6918 Filed 4-10-73;8:45 am]

[CAP 8C0054]

**CENCO MEDICAL INDUSTRIES, INC.**

**Notice of Filing of Petition Regarding D&C Blue No. 6**

Pursuant to provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 706 (d), 74 Stat. 402; 21 U.S.C. 376(d)), notice is given that a petition (CAP 8C0054) has been filed by Cenco Medical Industries, Inc., 4401 West 26th St., Chicago, Ill. 60623, proposing the issuance of a color additive regulation (21 CFR Part 8) to provide for the safe use and certification of D&C Blue No. 6 (1,3-bisindolyl-3,3'-dione) for the purpose of coloring polypropylene sutures for use in general surgery.

Dated April 3, 1973.

VIRGIL O. WODICKA,  
*Director, Bureau of Foods.*

[FR Doc.73-6919 Filed 4-10-73;8:45 am]

[CAP 9C0046]

**DAVIS & GECK DIVISION AMERICAN  
 CYANAMID CO.**

**Notice of Filing of Petition Regarding D&C Blue No. 6**

Pursuant to provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 706

(d), 74 Stat. 402; 21 U.S.C. 376(d)), notice is given that a petition (CAP 6C0046) has been filed by Davis and Geck Division, American Cyanamid Co., Danbury, Conn. 06813, proposing the issuance of a color additive regulation (21 CFR Part 8) to provide for the safe use and certification of D&C Blue No. 6 (1,3-bisindolyl-3,3'-dione) for the purpose of coloring polyethylene terephthalate sutures for use in general surgery.

Dated April 3, 1973.

VIRGIL O. WODICKA,  
*Director, Bureau of Foods.*

[FR Doc.73-6921 Filed 4-10-73;8:45 am]

[FAP 1B2892]

**EMSER WERKE AG**

**Notice of Withdrawal of Petition for Food Additives**

Pursuant to provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409 (b), 72 Stat. 1786; 21 U.S.C. 348(b)), the following notice is issued:

In accordance with § 121.52 Withdrawal of Petitions Without Prejudice of the procedural food additive regulations (21 CFR 121.52), Emser Werke AG, Selnaustrasse 16, Zurich, Switzerland (formerly 7013 Domat, Ems, Switzerland), has withdrawn its petition (FAP 1B2892), notice of which was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER of August 11, 1971 (36 FR 14773), proposing that § 121.2502 Nylon resins (21 CFR 121.2502) be amended to provide for the safe use of nylon 12 resins, manufactured by the polymerization of omega-lauro lactam, in food-contact articles.

Dated April 3, 1973.

VIRGIL O. WODICKA,  
*Director, Bureau of Foods.*

[FR Doc.73-6922 Filed 4-10-73;8:45 am]

[CAP 7C0048]

**ETHICON, INC.**

**Notice of Filing of Petition Regarding D & C Blue No. 6**

Pursuant to provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 706 (d), 74 Stat. 402; 21 U.S.C. 376(d)), notice is given that a petition (CAP 7C0048) has been filed by Ethicon, Inc., Somerville, N.J. 08876, proposing the issuance of a color additive regulation (21 CFR part 8) to provide for the safe use and certification of D & C Blue No. 6 (1,3-bisindolyl-3,3'-dione) for the purpose of coloring plain or chromic absorbable surgical sutures, USP, for use in general and ophthalmic surgery.

Dated April 3, 1973.

VIRGIL O. WODICKA,  
*Director, Bureau of Foods.*

[FR Doc.73-6923 Filed 4-10-73;8:45 am]

[FAP 2B2792]

**ROHM & HAAS CO.**

**Notice of Withdrawal of Petition for Food Additives**

Pursuant to provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409 (b), 72 Stat. 1786; 21 U.S.C. 348(b)), the following notice is issued:

In accordance with § 121.52 Withdrawal of Petitions Without Prejudice of the procedural food additive regulations (21 CFR 121.52), Rohm & Haas Co., Independence Mall West, Philadelphia, Pa. 19105, has withdrawn its petition (FAP 2B2792), notice of which was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER of June 13, 1972 (37 F.R. 11740), proposing that § 121.2566 Antioxidants and/or Stabilizers for Polymers (21 CFR 121.2566) and § 121.2597 Polymers Modifiers in Semirigid and Rigid Vinyl Chloride Plastics (21 CFR 121.2597) be amended to provide for the safe use of 4,4'-thiobis (6-tert-butyl-m-cresol) as an antioxidant in the manufacture of polymer modifiers for polyvinyl chloride plastics intended for use in contact with food.

Dated April 3, 1973.

VIRGIL O. WODICKA,  
*Director, Bureau of Foods.*

[FR Doc.73-6924 Filed 4-10-73;8:45 am]

**ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION  
 PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC CO.  
 ET AL.**

**Establishment of Atomic Safety and  
 Licensing Board**

Pursuant to delegation by the Commission dated December 29, 1972, published in the FEDERAL REGISTER (37 FR 28710) and §§ 2.105, 2.700, 2.702, 2.714, 2.714a, 2.717, and 2.721 of the Commission's regulations, all as amended, an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board is being established to rule on petitions and/or requests for leave to intervene in the following proceeding:

Portland General Electric Co., The city of Eugene, Oreg., Pacific Power and Light Co. (Trojan Nuclear Plant) [Docket No. 50-344].

This action is in reference to the Notice of Receipt of Application for Facility Operating License, Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Facility License and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing published by the Commission in the above matter (38 FR 5004—Feb. 23, 1973).

The members of the Board are:

Jerome Garfinkel, Esq., Chairman; Dr. A. Dixon Callihan, member; Dr. John R. Lyman, member.

Dated at Washington, D.C., this sixth day of April 1973.

**ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING  
 BOARD PANEL,  
 NATHANIEL H. GOODRICH,  
 Chairman.**

[FR Doc.73-6982 Filed 4-10-73;8:45 am]

## CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD

[Docket No. 25110; Order 73-4-33]

## HUGHES AIRWEST

## Order Setting Application for Hearing

Adopted by the Civil Aeronautics Board at its office in Washington, D.C., on the 5th day of April 1973.

By application filed on January 12, 1973, Hughes Airwest (Airwest) has requested amendment of its certificate of public convenience and necessity so as to delete Apple Valley, Calif. therefrom. On the same date Airwest filed a motion for expedited hearing of its application.

In support of its motion Airwest alleges, inter alia, that, since Airwest resumed service at Apple Valley on September 1, 1970,<sup>1</sup> the point has enplaned only 3.13 passengers per actual departure; that, since the initiation of service by Bonanza Airlines in 1957, only in 1965 were more than 5,000 enplanements generated in 1 year; that continuation of service by Airwest involves an estimated total subsidy need of \$196,414 per year or \$35.84 per passenger; that the subsidy need is unreasonably high relative to subsidy costs per passenger for other cities whose air service has recently been deleted;<sup>2</sup> that Apple Valley is not isolated in that it is about 1 hour's driving time from far superior service offered at Ontario International Airport; and that the community has not responded to Airwest's promotional efforts and custom-designed service.

Answers in opposition to the application and motion were filed by the county of San Bernardino and the Apple Valley Airport manager, jointly. These civic parties primarily allege that there is a present and future need for certificated service at Apple Valley and that the data presented by Airwest do not justify the need for expedited hearing.

Upon consideration of the foregoing and all the relevant facts, we have decided to set for hearing Airwest's application to delete Apple Valley. A hearing will permit full consideration of the conflicting contentions of the parties on the basis of an evidentiary record.

Accordingly, it is ordered, That:

1. The application of Hughes Airwest be and it hereby is set for hearing before an administrative law judge of the Board at a time and place to be hereafter designated;

<sup>1</sup> Service was suspended by Bonanza Airlines, Airwest's predecessor, in April 1966, because of inadequate airport facilities.

<sup>2</sup> See e.g., order 70-6-22, June 2, 1970; order 73-2-16, Feb. 5, 1973; and order 72-11-26, Nov. 9, 1972.

2. A copy of this order shall be served upon Hughes Airwest; mayor, city of Apple Valley; manager, Apple Valley Airport; Governor, State of California; California Public Utilities Commission; State Aviation Commission of California; board of supervisors, county of San Bernardino; and the Postmaster General.

This order will be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

By the Civil Aeronautics Board.

[SEAL] EDWIN Z. HOLLAND,  
Secretary.

[FR Doc.73-6985 Filed 4-10-73;8:45 am]

[Docket No. 20826]

REOPENED ALASKA SERVICE  
INVESTIGATION

## Notice of Prehearing Conference

In regard: Reopened Alaska Service Investigation (Bush Routes Phase).

Notice is hereby given that a prehearing conference in the above-entitled matter is assigned to be held on May 10, 1973, at 9 a.m. (local time), Royal Inn, 720 West Fifth Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, before Chief Administrative Law Judge Ralph L. Wiser.

In order to facilitate the conduct of the conference, parties are instructed to submit one copy to each party and four copies to the judge of: (1) Proposed statements of issues; (2) proposed stipulations; (3) requests for information; (4) statement of positions of parties; and (5) proposed procedural dates. The Bureau of Operating Rights will circulate its material on or before April 19, 1973, and the other parties on or before May 3, 1973. The submissions of the other parties shall be limited to points on which they differ with the Bureau of Operating Rights, and shall follow the numbering and lettering used by the Bureau to facilitate cross-referencing.

Dated at Washington, D.C., April 6, 1973.

[SEAL] RALPH L. WISER,  
Chief, Administrative Law Judge.

[FR Doc.73-6986 Filed 4-10-73;8:45 am]

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
AGENCYENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS  
AND OTHER ACTIONS IMPACTING  
THE ENVIRONMENTComments by the Environmental  
Protection Agency

Pursuant to the requirements of section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and section 309

of the Clean Air Act, as amended, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed and commented in writing on Federal agency actions impacting the environment contained in the following appendices during the period from February 16, 1973, to February 28, 1973.

Appendix I contains a listing of draft environmental impact statements reviewed and commented upon in writing during this reviewing period. The list includes the Federal agency responsible for the statement, the number and title of the statement, the classification of the nature of EPA's comments as defined in appendix II, and the EPA source for copies of the comments as set forth in appendix V.

Appendix II contains the definitions of the classifications of EPA's comments on the draft environmental impact statements as set forth in appendix I.

Appendix III contains a listing of final environmental impact statements reviewed and commented upon in writing during this reviewing period. The listing will include the Federal agency responsible for the statement, the number and title of the statement, a summary of the nature of EPA's comments, and the EPA source for copies of the comments as set forth in appendix V.

Appendix IV contains a listing of proposed Federal agency regulations, legislation proposed by Federal agencies, and any other proposed actions reviewed and commented upon in writing pursuant to section 309(a) of the Clean Air Act, as amended, during the referenced reviewing period. The listing includes the Federal agency responsible for the proposed action, the title of the action, a summary of the nature of EPA's comments, and the EPA source for copies of the comments as set forth in appendix V.

Appendix V contains a listing of the names and addresses of the sources for copies of EPA comments listed in appendices I, III, and IV.

Copies of the EPA Order 1640.1, setting forth the policies and procedures for EPA's review of agency actions, may be obtained by writing the Public Inquiries Branch, Office of Public Affairs, Environmental Protection Agency Washington, D.C. 20460. Copies of the draft and final environmental impact statements referenced herein are available from the originating Federal department or agency or from the National Technical Information Service, U.S. Department of Commerce, Springfield, Va. 22151.

Dated March 30, 1973.

SHELDON MEYERS,  
Director,  
Office of Federal Activities.