

U.S.C. 1311; and (2) failing to apply for a NPDES storm water discharge permit, in violation of Sections 308 and 402 of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. 1319 and 1342. Under the settlement, the Defendants will pay a civil penalty to the United States of \$47,500.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed settlement. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Meridian Engineering, Inc., et al.*, DOJ Ref. #90-5-1-1-4224.

The proposed settlement may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, 1108 King St. #201, Christiansted, St. Croix; the Region II Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 290 Broadway, New York, New York; and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20005, (202) 624-0892. A copy of the proposed settlement may be obtained in person or by mail from the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. In requesting a copy please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check payable to the Consent Decree Library in the amount of \$2.00 (25 cents per page reproduction costs).
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Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Clean Air Act

In accordance with Departmental policy, 28 CFR § 50.7 notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree in *United States v. Price/Costco, Inc.*, Civil Action No. C96-1965Z, was lodged on December 16, 1996, with the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington. The consent decree settles claims brought under Sections 113 and 608 of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7413 & 7671(g). The complaint alleged that Price/Costco sold canisters of freon to buyers who were not certified to handle ozone depleting substances in violation of 40 CFR § 82.154(m). Under the proposed consent decree, Price/Costco will pay a civil penalty of \$232,500 and institute a set of procedures at its check-out counters assuring that buyers of freon canisters are certified to handle ozone

depleting substances within the meaning of 40 CFR § 82.154(m).

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed consent decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Price/Costco*, DOJ Ref. #90-5-2-1-2050.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, 800 Fifth Avenue, Suite 3600, Washington 98104; the Region 10 Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98101; and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005, (202) 624-0892. A copy of either proposed consent decree may be obtained in person or by mail from the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005. In requesting a copy of either decree please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$3.00 (25 cents per page reproduction costs), payable to the Consent Decree Library.

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National Institute of Corrections

Solicitation for a Cooperative Agreement

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice (DOJ), National Institute of Corrections (NIC) announces the availability of funds in FY '97 for a cooperative agreement to fund "Design, Development, and Implementation of Internal Classification Systems" project.

PURPOSE: The National Institute of Corrections is seeking applications for a cooperative agreement to assist departments of corrections and individual prisons in designing, developing, and implementing classification systems that will guide housing, work, and program assignments within specific institutions. The award recipient will design training curriculum and provide training and technical assistance to a minimum of five (5) prisons/agencies who demonstrate interest and ability to develop a methodology for more objective and consistent internal management of inmates. They will develop guidelines and standard criteria

for prison internal classification and will assess the outcomes and impact of training and assistance provided through this cooperative agreement. The award recipient will document the experiences of the participating prisons/agencies in a project report. This internal classification project will be a collaborative effort between NIC program staff and the award recipient.

AUTHORITY: Public Law 93-415.

FUNDS AVAILABLE: The award will be limited to a maximum total of \$125,000 (direct and indirect costs) and project activity must be completed within 15 months of the date of award. Funds may not be used for construction, or to acquire or build real property. This project will be a collaborative venture with the NIC Prisons Division. It is anticipated that \$200,000 will be allocated in the second year of the project for a continuation agreement, contingent upon availability of funds and satisfactory progress in meeting the goals of this project and the requirements of the second year offering.

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS: Applications must be received in NIC's Washington, D.C. office by 4:00 p.m., Eastern time, Friday, March 7, 1997.

ADDRESSES AND FURTHER INFORMATION: Requests for the application kit, which includes further details on the project's objectives, etc., should be directed by Judy Evens, Grants Control Office, National Institute of Corrections, 320 First Street, N.W., Room 5007, Washington, D.C. 20534, or by calling 800-995-6423, ext. 159 or 202-307-3106, ext. 159. All technical and/or programmatic questions concerning this announcement should be directed to Dick Franklin at the above address or by calling 800-995-6423, ext. 145 or 202-307-1300, ext. 145, or by E-mail via franklin@bop.gov.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS: An eligible applicant is any private or non-profit organization, institution, or individual.

REVIEW CONSIDERATIONS: Applications received under this announcement will be subjected to an NIC 3 to 5 member Peer Review Process.

NUMBER OF AWARDS: One (1).

NIC APPLICATION NUMBER: 97P06 This number should appear as a reference line in your cover letter and also in box 11 of Standard Form 424.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372: This program is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372. Executive Order 12372 allows States that option of setting up a system for reviewing applications from within their States for assistance under certain Federal programs. Applicants