

of the Commission's *Rules of Practice and Procedure* (19 CFR 201.6). All written submissions, except for confidential business information, will be made available for inspection by interested persons in the Office of the Secretary to the Commission. To be assured of consideration by the Commission, written statements relating to the Commission's report should be submitted at the earliest practical date and should be received no later than May 15, 1997. All submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436.

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By order of the Commission.

Donna R. Koehnke,

Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980

Notice is hereby given that on January 15, 1997, a proposed Consent Decree in *United States v. Connor Investment Co.*, Civil Action No. 97-5006-CV-SW-3 (W.D. Mo.) was lodged with the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington. This Consent Decree resolves the United States' claims in this action against Connor Investment Company ("Connor") and Lima Hill Mining Company ("Lima") (collectively "Settling Defendants") regarding their liability under Section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607(a), for response costs incurred or to be incurred by the United States in connection with the Oronogo/Duenweg Mining Belt Superfund Site in Jasper County, Missouri ("Site").

The Consent Decree requires, *inter alia*, that the Settling Defendants shall provide the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and the State of Missouri with broad access rights to their property at the Site for the creation, operation, and maintenance of a hazardous waste repository. In addition, the Consent Decree requires that the Settling Defendants place restrictive covenants

on the property in conformance with future use of the repository and reflecting any institutional controls established through the remedial action. The Consent Decree grants to the Settling Defendants a covenant not to sue and the contribution protection afforded by Section 1133(f)(2) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9613(f)(2). The Consent Decree also contains a reopener that permits the United States, in certain situations, to institute additional proceedings to require the Settling Defendants perform further response actions or reimburse the United States for additional costs of response.

The Department of Justice will receive comments relating to the proposed Consent Decree for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General of the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Connor Investment Co.*, D.O.J. No. 90-11-3-1001C.

The proposed Consent Decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, 1201 Walnut Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; the Region VII Office of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 726 Minnesota Ave., Kansas City, KS 66101; and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, NW., 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20005 (Tel: (202) 624-0892). A copy of the proposed Consent Decree may be obtained in person or by mail from the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, NW., 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. When requesting a copy, please enclose a check in the amount of \$13.50 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the Consent Decree Library.

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### Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to Clean Air Act

Notice is hereby given that on January 24, 1997, a proposed Consent Decree in *United States of America v. North American Chemical Company*, Civil Action No. 97-0477-WJR (CWx), was lodged with the United States District Court for the Central District of California. This Consent Decree represents a settlement of claims against North American Chemical Company ("NACC") pursuant to section 113(b) of the Clean Air Act (the "Act"), 42 U.S.C.

7413(b), for NACC's alleged violations of provisions of the State Implementation Plan for San Bernardino, California, as well as for violations of the New Source Performance Standards and Prevention of Significant Deterioration ("PSD") provisions of the Clean Air Act. See Standards of Performance for Nonmetallic Mineral Processing Plants, 40 CFR part 60, subpart OOO and the PSD provisions of the Act, 42 U.S.C. 7470-7501. The alleged violations occurred at a facility owned and operated by NACC located near Trona, California.

Under this settlement between the United States and NACC, NACC will be required to reduce emissions of nitrogen oxides from a gas turbine at the facility. The settlement provides for a civil penalty of \$320,000. In addition, NACC will conduct a supplemental environmental project to reduce particulate matter emissions at the facility.

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 of the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530, and should refer to *United States of America v. North American Chemical Company*, DOJ Ref. #90-5-2-1-2001.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, Central District of California, 7516 Federal Building, 300 North Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, California 90012 and at Region IX, Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, Air Division, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105, and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, NW., 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20005 (202) 624-0892. A copy of the proposed consent decree may be obtained in person or by mail from the Consent Decree Library, 1130 G Street, NW., 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. In requesting a copy, please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$8.25 (25 cents per page reproduction cost), payable to the Consent Decree Library.

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