

notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the identities of the parties and (2) the nature and objectives of the joint venture. The notifications were filed for the purpose of invoking the Act's provisions limiting recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act, the identities to the parties are LESCO, Inc., Cleveland, OH and MTD Products, Inc., Valley City, OH.

The nature and objectives of this venture are research, development and manufacturing production of commercial turf care equipment. The venture will include engineering, product development, and manufacturing. The manufacturing will be conducted in the United States. The products that are manufactured will be sold in the United States and potentially abroad.

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Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Infotest International

Notice is hereby given that, on July 2, 1997, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), InfoTEST International ("InfoTEST") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in 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, American Medical Outcomes Repository; Government Services, Information Systems Branch; and The Lewis Group are no longer members of InfoTEST.

No other changes have been made in the membership, nature or objectives of the consortium. Membership in InfoTEST remains open, and the consortium intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On December 7, 1993, InfoTEST filed its original notification (as the National Information Infrastructure Testbed) 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 18, 1994 (60 FR 25960).

The last notification was filed with the Department of Justice on October 9, 1996. A notice was published in the Federal Register on December 19, 1996 (61 FR 67067).

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Records Schedules; Availability and Request for Comments

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration, Office of Records Services.

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed records schedules; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) publishes notice at least once monthly of certain Federal agency requests for records disposition authority (records schedules). Records schedules identify records of sufficient value to warrant preservation in the National Archives of the United States. Schedules also authorize agencies after a specified period to dispose of records lacking administrative, legal, research, or other value. Notice is published for records schedules that (1) Propose the destruction of records not previously authorized for disposal, or (2) reduce the retention period for records already authorized for disposal. NARA invites public comments on such schedules, as required by 44 USC 3303a(a).

DATES: Requests for copies must be received in writing on or before April 10, 1997. Once the appraisal of the records is completed, NARA will send a copy of the schedule. The requester will be given 30 days to submit comments.

ADDRESSES: Address requests for single copies of schedules identified in this notice to the Civilian Appraisal Staff (NWRC), National Archives and Records Administration, College Park, MD 20740-6001. Requesters must cite the control number assigned to each schedule when requesting a copy. The control number appears in the parentheses immediately after the name of the requesting agency.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Each year U.S. Government agencies create billions of records on paper, film, magnetic tape, and other media. In order

to control this accumulation, agency records managers prepare records schedules specifying when the agency no longer needs the records and what happens to the records after this period. Some schedules are comprehensive and cover all the records of an agency or one of its major subdivisions. These comprehensive schedules provide for the eventual transfer to the National Archives of historically valuable records and authorize the disposal of all other records. Most schedules, however, cover records of only one office or program or a few series of records, and many are updates of previously approved schedules. Such schedules also may include records that are designated for permanent retention.

Destruction of records requires the approval of the Archivist of the United States. This approval is granted after a thorough study of the records that takes into account their administrative use by the agency of origin, the rights of the Government and of private persons directly affected by the Government's activities, and historical or other value.

This public notice identifies the Federal agencies and their subdivisions requesting disposition authority, includes the control number assigned to each schedule, and briefly describes the records proposed for disposal. The records schedule contains additional information about the records and their disposition. Further information about the disposition process will be furnished to each requester.

Schedules Pending

1. Congressional Budget Office (N1-520-96-1). Tax analysis data, documentation and supplementary data files (final reports will be preserved).

2. Department of the Air Force (N1-AFU-96-9). Bioenvironmental engineering surveys/case files proposed for long-term retention.

3. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Care Financing Administration (N1-440-96-1). Medicare waivers for hospital payments, instructions and background files, chrono-logical files of state reviews, CLIA data and HCFA forms 114 and 116.

4. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Care Financing Administration (N1-440-97-1). Appointee clearance and vetting files.

5. Department of Housing and Urban Development (N1-207-95-8). Records relating to Cultural Design Awards (program files and winning nomination case files are designated for preservation).

6. Department of Housing and Urban Development (N1-207-96-7).