

RohmTech is the successor to a former owner and operator of the Site. The consent decree will also resolve the claims of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts ("Commonwealth") in connection with the Site under CERCLA and the Massachusetts Oil and Hazardous Material Release Prevention and Response Act, M.G.L. c. 21E.

Under the proposed consent decree, RohmTech will make an immediate payment to the United States and the Commonwealth in the amount of \$4,000,000, plus interest. In addition, the United States and the Commonwealth will receive a percentage of gross proceeds from related insurance litigation and litigation against another potentially responsible party. Of the total payments, \$2,100,000 will be paid to the United States and the Commonwealth in connection with claims for natural resource damages at the Site. The remaining money will be paid to the United States and the Commonwealth as reimbursement for response costs incurred and to be incurred at the Site. The amount of the payments to be made by RohmTech reflect the company's financial condition.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of up to thirty days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed consent decree. Any comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, P.O. Box 7611, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044, and should refer to *United States v. RohmTech, Inc.*, DOJ Ref. Number 90-11-2-340. Commenters may request an opportunity for a public meeting in the affected area, in accordance with Section 7003(d) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6973.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the Environmental Protection Agency, One Congress Street, Boston, Massachusetts (contact Joanna Jerison at 617-565-3350) and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 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, 1120 G Street, N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. In requesting a copy, please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$12.50 (50 pages at 25

cents per page reproduction costs), payable to the Consent Decree Library.

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Deputy Section Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division.

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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, As Amended

Notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree in the action entitled *United States v. Taylor, et al.*, Civil Action No. 97CV12201EFH, was lodged on September 30, 1997, with the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts. The proposed consent decree resolves the United States's claims against several potentially responsible parties ("Settling Defendants") at the Nyanza Chemical Waste Dump Superfund Site, located in Ashland, Massachusetts ("Site"), under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. § 9601 *et seq.* The consent decree will also resolve the claims of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts ("Commonwealth") in connection with the Site under CERCLA and the Massachusetts Oil and Hazardous material Release Prevention and Response Act, M.G.L. c. 21E. The Settling Defendants include Scott D. Taylor, individually; the Estate of Roland E. Derby, Jr.; Scott D. Taylor in his capacity as Administrator of the Estate of Roland E. Derby, Jr.; the Estate of Roland E. Derby, Sr., and Edward M. Lynch, Jr. in his capacity as Executor of the Estate of Roland E. Derby, Sr. The consent decree includes a covenant not to sue by the United States under, *inter alia*, Sections 106 and 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9606 and 9607 (including claims for natural resource damages), and under Section 7003 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), 42 U.S.C. § 6973.

Under the proposed consent decree, Scott D. Taylor will make a payment to the United States and the Commonwealth in the amount of \$565,000 over a three-year period, plus interest. Of the \$565,000 total, \$424,000 will be paid the United States (EPA) as reimbursement for response costs incurred in connection with the Site, \$106,000 will be paid to the Commonwealth as reimbursement for

response costs incurred in connection with the Site, and \$35,000 will be paid to the United States and the Commonwealth in connection with claims for natural resource damages. In addition, if the gross insurance proceeds recovered by the Settling Defendants in connection with the Site exceed \$425,000, Settling Defendants shall pay to the United States and the Commonwealth 80% of the amount in excess of \$425,000.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of up to thirty days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed consent decree. Any comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, P.O. Box 7611, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, D.C. 20044, and should refer to *United States v. Taylor, et al.*, DOJ Ref. Number 90-11-2-340B. Commenters may request an opportunity for a public meeting in the affected area, in accordance with Section 7003(d) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6973.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the Environmental Protection Agency, One Congress Street, Boston, Massachusetts (contact Joanna Jerison at 617-565-3350) and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005, 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, N.W., 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005. In requesting a copy, please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$13.25 (25 cents per page reproduction costs), payable to the Consent Decree Library.

Bruce S. Gelber,

Deputy Section Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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

In accordance with Departmental policy, 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that a proposed Consent Decree in *United States v. Washington Central Railroad Company, Inc., et al.*, No. CV97-1400-ST (D. Oregon), was lodged on September 30, 1997, with the United States District Court for the District of Oregon. With regard to the Defendants,

the Consent Decree resolves a claim filed by the United States on behalf of the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, *as amended*, 42 U.S.C. 9601, *et seq.*

The United States entered into the Consent Decree in connection with the Environmental Pacific Corporation Site located in Amity, Yamill County, Oregon, approximately 42 miles southwest of Portland. The Consent Decree provides that the Settling Defendants will reimburse the United States a total of \$83,953.68 for past costs incurred by the United States at the Site.

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, DC, 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Washington Central Railroad Company, Inc., et al.*, DOJ Refs. # 90-11-2-1080 and # 90-11-3-1418.

The proposed Consent Decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, 888 SW 5th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97204; the Region 10 office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, Washington; 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, 1120 G Street, NW, 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. In requesting a copy refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$20.25 (25 cents per page reproduction costs), payable to the Consent Decree Library.

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Deputy Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

International Competitiveness Advisory Committee

Notice of Establishment of the International Competitiveness Advisory Committee

AGENCY: The Department of Justice.

ACTION: Notice of establishment of the International Competitiveness Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C., App. II (1972), 41 CFR 101-6.1001-1.1035, and Executive Order 12838, the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice, with the concurrence of the Attorney General, is establishing the International Competitiveness Advisory Committee. The Committee will examine and provide advice to the Department of Justice regarding issues relating to international trade and competitiveness.

Specifically, the Committee will provide advice regarding how best to forge a consensus on the need for aggressive action to eliminate multinational anticompetitive cartel agreements, how best to coordinate United States' and foreign antitrust enforcement efforts in the review of multinational mergers, and how best to coordinate United States' trade and competition policy to achieve their common objectives.

MEMBERSHIP: The Committee shall be composed of 12 representatives from both the public and private sectors with recognized expertise in the areas of international antitrust and/or trade policy. Criteria to be used in selecting members shall include: (1) a demonstrated background and interest in the antitrust issues to be addressed, (2) a balance in point of view or professional perspective, (3) geographical balance, and (4) nondiscrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, or sexual orientation.

The International Competitiveness Advisory Committee will function solely as an advisory board in compliance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Its charter will be filed in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

CONTACT PERSON: Charles S. Stark, Chief, Foreign Commerce Section, Antitrust Division, Room 10024 Patrick Henry Building, 601 D Street NW., Washington, DC 20530; (202) 514-2464.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

October 9, 1997.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public

information collection requests (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of each individual ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Labor, Departmental Clearance Officer, Theresa M. O'Malley ((202) 219-5096 ext. 143) or by E-Mail to O'Malley-Theresa@dol.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TTY/TDD) may call (202) 219-4720 between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. Eastern time, Monday-Friday.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for BLS, DM, ESA, ETA, MSHA, OSHA, POWBA, or VETS, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 ((202) 395-7316), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Agency: Pension Welfare Benefits Administration.

Title: Prohibited Transaction Exemption 80-83.

OMB Number: 1210-0064 (reinstatement).

Frequency: On occasion.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 25.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 2 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 1.

Total Annualized capital/startup costs: 0.

Total annual costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): 0.