

the past several years and the project is now ready to move forward under the CEQA/NEPA process. The Secretary of the Interior has identified this as a high priority project and action is being expedited due to the worsening conditions at the Sea. Over 200,000 birds have died at the Sea over the past six years as a result of the current conditions. Reclamation and the Authority will be working closely with interested Congressional members and other stakeholders to develop possible solutions.

A Research Management Committee (Committee) has been established of high-level managers from the U.S. Department of the Interior, Authority, State of California, and the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians. This Committee makes funding and other relevant decisions regarding science to be funded to support the CEQA/NEPA process. A Science Subcommittee (Subcommittee) has been established to serve as an advisory committee to provide scientific evaluations and recommendations to the Committee. The Subcommittee functions as a coordinated body to determine information gaps, identify science/information needs, and provide the Committee with recommendations for funding priorities regarding the science activities.

The draft EIR/EIS is expected to be completed by the end of December 1999.

Dated: June 16, 1998.

LeGrand Neilson,

Acting Regional Director, Lower Colorado Region.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[USITC SE-98-012]

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: United States International Trade Commission.

TIME AND DATE: July 14, 1998 at 11:00 a.m.

PLACE: Room 101, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436.

STATUS: Open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Agenda for future meeting: none.
2. Minutes.
3. Ratification List.
4. Inv. No. 731-TA-768 (Final) (Fresh Atlantic Salmon from Chile)—briefing and vote.

5. Outstanding action jackets: none.

In accordance with Commission policy, subject matter listed above, not disposed of at the scheduled meeting, may be carried over to the agenda of the following meeting.

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Donna R. Koehnke,

Secretary.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[USITC SE-98-011]

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: United States International Trade Commission.

TIME AND DATE: July 10, 1998 at 11:00 a.m.

PLACE: Room 101, 500 E Street S.W. Washington, DC 20436.

STATUS: Open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Agenda for future meeting: none.
2. Minutes.
3. Ratification List.
4. Inv. Nos. 751-TA-17-20 (Titanium Sponge from Japan, Kazakhstan, Russia, and Ukraine)—briefing and vote.

5. Outstanding action jackets: none.

In accordance with Commission policy, subject matter listed above, not disposed of at the scheduled meeting, may be carried over to the agenda of the following meeting.

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Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act 42 U.S.C. 9601, et seq.

Notice is hereby given that on, June 8, 1998 a proposed Consent Decree ("Decree") in *United States v. Asarco Incorporated, et al.*, Civil Action No. 2:98CVO415B was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of Utah. The United States filed this action pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental

Response, Compensation and Liability Act, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9601, et seq., to recover the past and future response costs incurred at or in connection with the Murray Smelter Site in the City of Murray, Utah.

The proposed Consent Decree resolves claims against: Asarco Incorporated; Murray City Corporation; SALS Investors Partnership; Utah Transit Authority; Monroc Inc.; TB Warehouse L.L.C.; Timothy Buehner; Paul Buehner; Alma Utah Company, Otto Buehner and Company; Buehner Salt Lake Properties, L.C.; Buehner Corp.; Hi-Ute Investment Company; Murray Land Trust L.C.; W.R. White Company; Ash Grove Cement; and Paragon Properties. This proposed Consent Decree recovers response costs of \$109,547.37, and requires Asarco, and the other settling defendants, to implement EPA's selected remedy for the Site. The Decree also settles potential claims against 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 Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General of the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, and should refer to, *United States v. Asarco Incorporated, et al.*, Civil Action No. 2:98CVO415B, and D.J. Ref. #90-11-3-1729.

The Decree may be examined at the United States Department of Justice, Environment and Natural Resources Division, Denver Field Office, 999 18th Street, North Tower Suite 945, Denver, Colorado, 80202 and the U.S.; EPA Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Superfund Records Center, Suite 500, Denver, Co. 80202, and at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, NW., 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20005, (202) 624-0892. A copy of the 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, please enclose a check in the amount of \$32.00 for the Decree, without attachments (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the Consent Decree Library.

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