

Section 6(b) of the Act, the identities of the parties are Atlantic Richfield Company, Anaheim, CA; California Air Resources Board, Sacramento, CA; Engine Manufacturer's Association, Chicago, IL; Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, MI; National Propane Gas Association, Scottsdale, AZ; Natural Resources Canada—Canmet Energy Technology Centre, Ottawa, Ontario, CANADA; Propane Gas Association of Canada, Calgary, CANADA; Railroad Commission of Texas—Alternative Fuels Research & Education Division, Austin, TX; Shell Martinez Refining Company, Martinez, CA; The Adept Group, Inc., Los Angeles, CA; Tosco Refining Company, Martinez, CA; and Western Propane Gas Association, Sacramento, CA.

The California Air Resources Board ("ARB") approved a delay for a 5 percent propene limit on liquefied petroleum gases ("LPG") used as a motor vehicle fuel and directed ARB staff to investigate the feasibility of alternative specification of in-use motor vehicle LPG. An alternative may be adopted to the present ARB standard (based on equivalence of emissions, performance, and durability). ARB formed an LPG Task Group to direct the organization and implementation of the investigations. (LPG Task Group members are the parties identified above.) The Adept Group, Inc. serves as Project Manager.

The LPG Task Group and test program will determine if alternative specifications to proposed ARB standards for motor vehicle grade LPG will provide equivalent or better emissions, performance, and durability in existing engines. The task group and program will evaluate various LPG blends to determine if there are equivalent specifications that would address supply and distribution concerns for users and suppliers of LPG motor vehicles. The Blends Evaluation Test Program will include emissions testing, performance, combustion testing, and durability testing.

The parties plan to perform acts allowed by the National Cooperative Research and Production Act that would advance these goals.

Information regarding participation in the LPG Blends Evaluation Test Program may be obtained from Mr. Alex Sparatu, President, The Adept Group, Inc., 1575 Westwood Blvd., Suite 200, Los Angeles, CA 90024-5620.

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

#### Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—CommerceNet Consortium

Notice is hereby given that, on December 15, 1998, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), CommerceNet Consortium (the "Consortium") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership status. 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, Oracle Corporation, Redwood Shores, CA; and Cisco Systems, San Jose, CA joined the Consortium as Executive Sponsor members. Engage Technologies, Andover, MA; and American Express, New York, NY joined the Consortium as Portfolio members. FASTXchange, Inc., Marina del Rey, CA; SITI, Kista, SWEDEN; McCutchen, Doyle, Brown, and Enersen LLP, Palo Alto, CA; Inference Corporation, Novato, CA; and The Gap Inc., San Bruno, CA joined the Consortium as Core members. Also, AMP, Inc., Harrisburg, PA; NeoMedia Technologies, Inc., Fort Myers, FL; BAX Global Logistics/Logistics Advantage, Atlanta, GA; National Housewares Mfg. Assoc. NHMA, Rosemont, IL; SpaceWorks, Inc., Rockville, MD; WorldPoint, Honolulu, HI; SupplyWorks, Lexington, MA; Digital Island, San Francisco, CA; and GEIS, Rockville, MD have been dropped as parties to this venture.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research project remains open, and CommerceNet Consortium intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On June 13, 1994, CommerceNet Consortium filed its original notification 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 August 31, 1994 (59 FR 45012).

The last notification was filed with the Department on October 29, 1998. A

notice has not yet been published in the **Federal Register**.

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