

(3) *The agency form number, if any, and applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* Procurement Solicitation Documents, Justice Management Division, Department of Justice.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Commercial organizations and individuals who voluntarily submit offers and bids to compete for contract awards to provide supplies and services required by the Government. All work statements and pricing data are required to evaluate the contractors bid or proposal.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time for an average respondent to respond:* 7,462 respondents, 20 hours average response time..

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with this collection:* 149,240 hours annually..

If additional information is required contact: Mr. Robert B. Briggs, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management and Security Staff, Justice Management Division, Suite 1220, National Place Building, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Under the Clean Air Act

In accordance with 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that on September 12, 2000, a proposed Consent Decree ("Decree") in *United States v. Northwestern Steel and Wire Company*, Civil Action No. 00 C 3700 was lodged with the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

In this action the United States sought injunctive relief and civil penalties for alleged violations of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. § 741 *et seq.*, and applicable regulations thereunder, including provisions of the Illinois State Implementation Plan ("SIP") and New Source Performance Standards applicable to Northwestern Steel and Wire Company's ("NWSW's") electric arc furnaces ("EAFs") in Sterling, Illinois. The proposed Decree requires NWSW to achieve, demonstrate and maintain compliance with the Clean Air Act and applicable regulations. The

Decree prohibits NWSW from operating its EAF No. after August 15, 2000 unless NWSW installs pollution capture and control equipment meeting requirements for a new source and obtains applicable construction or operating permits from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. In addition, the Decree requires NWSW to complete emissions testing of EAF No. 8, where NWSW has substantially upgraded the EAF and associated air pollution controls, and to submit the results of this testing to U.S. EPA by January 1, 2001. The Decree also requires NWSW to comply at all times with SIP particulate and opacity requirements at EAF No. 7, except as authorized in applicable permits for the facility. Finally, the proposed Decree provides for payment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$434,460 and for implementation of three Supplemental Environmental Projects ("SEPs"), including a road paving project, installation of a new baghouse dust transfer system and installation of a new electrolytic macroetching machine intended to reduce emissions of particulate matter and hydrochloric acid vapors at the facility.

The Department of Justice will receive for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of the publication comments relating to the proposed Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, P.O. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20044-7611, and should refer to *United States v. Northwestern Steel and Wire Company*, Civil Action No. 00 C 3700, D.J. Ref. No. 90-5-2-1-2173.

The proposed Decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, 219 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, IL 60604, and at U.S. EPA Region 5, Office of Regional Counsel, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60604. A copy of the proposed Decree may also be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, P.O. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044-7611. In requesting a copy, please enclose a check in the amount of \$7.00 (25 cents per page reproduction costs) payable to the Consent Decree Library.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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

Notice is hereby given that on August 4, 2000 a proposed partial consent decree in the action entitled *United States v. Woodward Metal Processing, Corp. et al.*, Civil Action No. 98-2736 (JWB/GDH), was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey.

In this action, the United States sought the recovery of response costs incurred in connection with a removal action at the Woodard Metal Processing Corporation Site, located at 125 Woodward Street, Jersey City, New Jersey ("Site"), pursuant to Section 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. § 9607. The proposed consent decree, if entered by the Court, would resolve the claims of the United States against Defendant Muriel Rosenberg Fierman ("Settling Defendant"). Under the proposed consent decree, Settling Defendant would pay the United States \$100,000 in five annual installments of \$20,000 each, plus interest. That amount, together with the response costs already recovered by the United States in settlements with other parties, equals approximately \$1,957,400 of approximately \$2,364,500 in total response costs incurred by the United States in connection with the Site.

The U.S. Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this Notice, comments relating to the proposed consent decree. Any comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, U.S. Department of Justice, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, D.C. 20044-7611, and should reference the following case name and number: *United States v. Woodward Metal Processing Corp., et al.*, DJ # 90-11-2-1299/1.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the offices of EPA Region II, located at 290 Broadway, New York, New York. A copy of the proposed consent decree may also be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, P.O. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20044-7611. In requesting a copy, please enclose a check in the amount of \$7.25 (25 cents