

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Industry-specific information may be obtained from Robert Carr, Project Leader (202-205-3402), or George Serletis, Deputy Project Leader (202-205-3315), Office of Industries, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, 20436. For information on the legal aspects of this investigation, contact William Gearhart of the Office of the General Counsel (202-205-3091). The media should contact Peg O'Laughlin of the Office of External Relations (202-205-1819). Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810.

**Background**

In his letter to the Commission, the USTR noted that at the November 14, 2001, WTO Ministerial Conference in Doha, Qatar, the United States and other WTO members agreed to launch new multilateral negotiations. The new WTO agenda will include negotiations on agriculture mandated under the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization. In addition, the letter noted that at the Quebec City Summit of the Americas last April, leaders of the Western Hemisphere democracies called for the conclusion of the Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) by no later than January 1, 2005; and that negotiations on agricultural and industrial tariffs in the FTAA will be initiated this year.

**Public Hearing**

A public hearing in connection with the investigation will be held at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC, beginning at 9:30 a.m. on May 1, 2002. All persons shall have the right to appear, by counsel or in person, to present information and to be heard. Requests to appear at the public hearing should be filed with the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436, no later than 5:15 p.m., April 17, 2002. Any prehearing briefs (original and 14 copies) should be filed not later than 5:15 p.m., April 19, 2002; the deadline for filing post-hearing briefs or statements is 5:15 p.m., May 10, 2002. In the event that, as of the close of business on April 17, 2002, no witnesses are scheduled to appear at the hearing, the hearing will be canceled. Any person interested in attending the hearing as an observer or non-participant may call the Secretary of the Commission (202-205-1806) after April

17, 2002, to determine whether the hearing will be held.

**Written Submissions**

In lieu of or in addition to participating in the hearing, interested parties are invited to submit written statements (original and 14 copies) concerning the matters to be addressed by the Commission in its report on this investigation. Commercial or financial information that a submitter desires the Commission to treat as confidential must be submitted on separate sheets of paper, each clearly marked "Confidential Business Information" at the top. All submissions requesting confidential treatment must conform with the requirements of § 201.6 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.6). All written submissions, except for confidential business information, will be made available in the Office of the Secretary of the Commission for inspection by interested parties. The Commission may include some or all of the confidential business information submitted by interested parties in its report to the USTR. To be assured of consideration by the Commission, written statements relating to the Commission's report should be submitted to the Commission at the earliest practical date and should be received no later than the close of business on May 10, 2002. All submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. The Commission's rules do not authorize filing submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means.

Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS-ON-LINE) at <http://dockets.usitc.gov/eol/public>.

**List of Subjects**

WTO, FTAA, tariffs, and imports.

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By order of the Commission.

**Marilyn R. Abbott,**

Secretary.

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**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE****Notice of Lodging of Partial Consent Decrees Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act**

Notice is hereby given that on February 15, 2002, two proposed partial consent decrees in *United States v. ABC Compounding Co. et al.*, Civil Action No. 1:02-cv-291-RLV, were lodged with the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia.

In this action the United States sought under section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607(a), the recovery of past response costs with respect to the Murphy Avenue Drum Site, located at 1230 Murphy Avenue in Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia. The defendants in the action are ABC Compounding Co., Davis Manufacturing and Packaging, Inc., Henkel Corporation, Hill Manufacturing Co., Inc., Southern Industrial Chemicals, Inc. (aka "SIC Technologies, Inc." or "SIC"), and Union Carbide Corporation. Together, the two partial consent decrees resolve claims for past response costs at the Site against all defendants. Under the first partial consent decree, all defendants other than SIC have agreed to pay \$465,000 to the Superfund toward EPA's past response costs. The second partial consent decree is an ability-to-pay settlement under which SIC has agreed to pay \$12,000 to the Superfund in four quarterly installments.

The Department of Justice will receive comments relating to the proposed consent decrees for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, PO Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044-7611, and should refer to *United States v. ABC Compounding Co. et al.*, DJ # 90-11-3-07393.

The proposed consent decrees may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia, 1800 U.S. Courthouse, 75 Spring Street, SW, Atlanta, GA 30335, and at the Region 4 office of the Environmental Protection Agency, Atlanta Federal Center, 61 Forsyth Street, Atlanta, GA 30303. A copy of the proposed consent decrees may also be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, PO. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044-7611, or by faxing a request to Tonia Fleetwood, fax no. (202) 514-0097, phone confirmation number (202) 514-1547. In requesting a copy, please enclose a check in the amount of \$9.50

(25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the U.S. Treasury. The check should refer to *United States v. ABC Compounding Co. et al.*, DJ # 90-11-3-07393.

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Office of the Attorney General

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#### **Guidelines for the Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act Amendment to the Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Act**

**AGENCY:** Department of Justice.

**ACTION:** Proposed guidelines.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Department of Justice is publishing Proposed Guidelines to implement an amendment to the Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Act enacted by the Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by May 7, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be mailed to David J. Karp, Senior Counsel, Office of Legal Policy, Room 4503, Main Justice Building, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 170101 of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, Pub. L. 103-322, 108 Stat. 1796, 2038 (codified at 42 U.S.C. 14071) contains the Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Act (the "Wetterling Act"). The Wetterling Act sets minimum national standards for state sex offender registration and community notification programs, and directs the Attorney General to issue guidelines for such programs. The current Wetterling Act guidelines were published on January 5, 1999, in the *Federal Register* (64 FR 572, with corrections at 64 FR 3590). States that fail to comply with the Wetterling Act's requirements (as implemented and explained in the Attorney General's guidelines) are subject to a mandatory 10% reduction of the formula grant funding available under the Edward Byrne Memorial State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance

Program (42 U.S.C. 3756), which is administered by the Bureau of Justice Assistance of the Department of Justice.

Subsequent to the publication of the current Wetterling Act guidelines, the Wetterling Act was amended by the Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act (the "CSCPA"), Pub. L. 106-386, div. B, § 1601, 114 Stat. 1464, 1537 (2000). The CSCPA provides special requirements relating to registration and community notification for sex offenders who are enrolled in or work at institutions of higher education. These supplementary guidelines are necessary to take account of the CSCPA amendment to the Wetterling Act. The deadline for state compliance with the CSCPA amendment is October 27, 2002.

#### **Proposed Guidelines**

The CSCPA provisions appear in subsection (j) of the Wetterling Act (42 U.S.C. 14071(j)). As provided in subsection (j), any person required to register under a state sex offender registration program must notify the state concerning each institution of higher education (i.e., post-secondary school) in the state at which the person is a student or works, and of each change in enrollment or employment status of the person at such an institution. States can comply with the Wetterling Act's requirements concerning these registrants, in part, by: (1) Advising registrants concerning these specific obligations when they are generally advised of their registration obligations, as discussed in part II.A of the January 5, 1999, Wetterling Act guidelines (64 FR 572, 579), (2) including in the registration information obtained from each registrant information concerning any expected enrollment or employment at an institution of higher education in the state, and (3) establishing procedures for registrants to notify the state concerning any subsequent commencement or termination of enrollment or employment at such an institution. The failure of a registrant to notify the state concerning enrollment or employment at an institution of higher education or the termination of such enrollment or employment would constitute a failure to register or keep such registration current for purposes of subsection (d) of the Wetterling Act (42 U.S.C. 14071(d)), and must be subject to criminal penalties as provided in that subsection.

Under the requirements of subsection (j) of the Wetterling Act, state procedures must also ensure that information concerning a registrant enrolled or working at an institution of higher education is promptly made available to a law enforcement agency

having jurisdiction where the institution is located, and entered into the appropriate state records or data system. This requirement applies both to any information initially obtained from registrants concerning enrollment or employment at institutions of higher education in the state, and information concerning subsequent changes in such enrollment or employment status.

Subsection (j)'s requirement to promptly make the information available to a law enforcement agency having jurisdiction where the institution is located is supplementary to the requirement under subsection (b)(2)(A) and (4) of the Wetterling Act (42 U.S.C. 14071(b)(2)(A), (4)) to promptly make information concerning registrants available to a law enforcement agency having jurisdiction where the registrant resides. The legislative history of the Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act explains subsection (j)'s requirement as follows:

Once information about an offender's enrollment at, or employment by, an institution of higher education has been provided to a state's sex offender registration program, that information should be shared with that school's law enforcement unit as soon as possible.

The reason for this is simple. An institution's law enforcement unit will have the most direct responsibility for protecting that school's community and daily contact with those that should be informed about the presence of the convicted offender.

If an institution does not have a campus police department, or other form of state recognized law enforcement agency, the sex offender information could then be shared with a local law enforcement agency having primary jurisdiction for the campus.

146 Cong. Rec. S10216 (Oct. 11, 2000) (remarks of Senator Kyl).

Thus, if an institution of higher education has a campus police department or other form of state recognized law enforcement agency, state procedures must ensure that information concerning the enrollment or employment of registrants at that institution (and subsequent changes in registrants' enrollment or employment status) is promptly made available to the campus police department or law enforcement agency. If there is no such department or agency at the institution, then state procedures must ensure that this information is promptly made available to some other law enforcement agency having jurisdiction where the institution is located. Regardless of whether an institution of higher education has its own law enforcement unit, the Wetterling Act does not limit the discretion of states to make information concerning registrants enrolled or working at the institution