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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of Community Oriented Policing Services; FY 2002 Community Policing Discretionary Grants

AGENCY: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, Department of Justice.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the Finding of No Significant Impact and the Environmental Assessment.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Assessment, which is available to the public, concludes that the methamphetamine investigation and clandestine laboratory closure activities of the Methamphetamine/Drug Hot Spots Program will not have significant impact on the quality of the human environment.

ADDRESSES: For copies of the Environmental Assessment and the Finding of No Significant Impact, please contact: COPS Grants Administration Division, 1100 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20530; Phone: (202) 616-3031 or 1-800-421-6770.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The U.S. Department of Justice Response Center, 1-800-421-6770 and ask to speak with your Grant Program Specialist.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In Fiscal Year 2000, the COPS Office collaborated with the Bureau of Justice Assistance and the Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, to prepare an Environmental Assessment for methamphetamine law enforcement programs, and with specific application for the Methamphetamine/Drug Hot Spots Program. This Environmental Assessment was prepared as required by the Council on Environmental Quality's regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500 through 1508), implementing the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321, *et al.*) The

Methamphetamine/Drug Hot Spots Program addresses a broad array of law enforcement initiatives pertaining to the investigation of methamphetamine trafficking in many heavily impacted areas of the country. For the purposes of this program, law enforcement may include training of law enforcement officers in methamphetamine-related issues; collection and maintenance of

intelligence and information relative to methamphetamine trafficking and traffickers; investigation, arrest and prosecution of producers, traffickers and users of methamphetamine; interdiction and removal of laboratories, finished products, and precursor chemicals and other elements necessary to produce methamphetamine; and preventive efforts to reduce the spread and use of methamphetamine. Individual projects will reflect a concentration on program areas consistent with Congressional appropriations.

Among the many challenges faced by law enforcement agencies in the Methamphetamine/Drug Hot Spots Program will be discovery, interdiction, and dismantling of clandestine drug laboratories. These lab sites, as well as other methamphetamine crime venues must be comprehensively dealt with in compliance with a variety of health, safety and environmental laws and regulations. The COPS Office requires that recipients, when encountering illegal drug laboratories, use grant funds to effect the proper removal and disposal of hazardous materials located at those laboratories and directly associated sites in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.

Overview

Environmental Assessment

The COPS Office will award grants to State and local criminal justice agencies for the FY 2002 COPS Methamphetamine/Drug Hot Spots Program. The Environmental Assessment concludes that the funding of this program will not have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared for the funding of this program.

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Carl R. Peed,
Director, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services.
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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

AGENCY: Notice is hereby given that on March 12, 2002, a proposed Consent Decree in *United States v. A-L Processors, f.k.a. Atlas-Lederer Co., et al.*, Civil Action No. C-3-91-309, was

lodged with the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio.

In this action the United States seeks the reimbursement of response costs in connection with the United Scrap Lead Superfund Site in Troy, Miami County, Ohio ("Site") pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.* The Consent Decree resolves the United States' claims against defendants Beckner Iron & Metal, Decatur Salvage Inc., Ebner & Sons Co., Inc., Mid-Ohio Battery Inc., the Ohio Department of Transportation, and United Salvage Co., Inc., for response costs incurred as a result of the release or threatened release of hazardous substances at the Site. Five of these settlements are "ability-to-pay" settlements based on financial analyses conducted by the Department's Antitrust Corporate Finance Unit. One settlement, with the Ohio Department of Transportation ("ODOT"), was agreed to in principle in early 2000 based on ODOT's relative contribution of waste to the Site, but could not be finalized in time for inclusion in a prior Consent Decree executed in April 2000. The six settling parties collectively will pay the United States \$93,595. The United States' remaining outstanding costs exceed \$8,500,000 and are being sought from the eleven remaining defendants in this case.

The Consent Decree also resolves the United Scrap Lead Respondent Group's ("Respondent Group") CERCLA claims against the same parties for response costs incurred by the Respondent Group in cleaning up the Site under an earlier Consent Decree. The settling parties will pay the Respondent Group a total of \$64,247.

The Department of Justice will receive for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication comments relating to the Consent Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General of the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, PO Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044, and should refer to *United States v. A-L Processors, f.k.a. Atlas-Lederer Co., et al.*, D.J. Ref. 90-11-3-279B.

The Consent Decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, Southern District of Ohio, Federal Building Room 602,200 West Second Street, Dayton, Ohio, or at the Region 5 Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Street, Chicago, Illinois 60606-3590. A copy of the proposed Consent Decree may also be obtained in person or by mail from the Consent Decree Library,