

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 available to other law enforcement agencies as well.

The language of subsection (j) refers specifically to any registrant who "is employed, carries on a vocation, or is a student" at an institution of higher education in the state. These terms have defined meanings set forth in subsection (a)(3)(F)-(G) of the Wetterling Act (42 U.S.C. 14071(a)(3)(F)-(G)). In light of these definitions, the registrants to whom the requirements of subsection (j) apply are those who: (1) are enrolled in any institution of higher education in the state on a full-time or part-time basis, or (2) have any sort of full-time or part-time employment at an institution of higher education in the state, with or without compensation, for more than 14 days, or for an aggregate period exceeding thirty days in a calendar year.

The CSCPA provisions in subsection (j) of the Wetterling Act are supplementary to, and do not limit or supersede, the provisions in subsection (b)(7)(B) of the Wetterling Act that require states to accept registration information from offenders who reside outside a state but come into the state in order to work or attend school.

Subsection (b)(7)(B) applies only to non-resident workers and students, but it is not limited in scope to those who work at or attend institutions of higher education (as opposed to other places of employment or schools). The requirements under subsection (b)(7)(B) are explained in part V.B.2 of the January 5, 1999, Wetterling Act guidelines (64 FR 572, 585).

The CSCPA's effective date for its amendment to the Wetterling Act is two years after enactment. Hence, following October 27, 2002, Byrne Formula Grant awards to states that are not in compliance with subsection (j) of the Wetterling Act will be subject to a mandatory 10% reduction. If a state's funding is reduced because of a failure to comply with the CSCPA amendment to the Wetterling Act or other Wetterling Act requirements by an applicable deadline, the state may regain eligibility for full funding thereafter by establishing compliance with all applicable requirements of the Wetterling Act. States are encouraged to submit information concerning existing and proposed sex offender registration provisions relating to compliance with the CSCPA amendment as soon as possible.

After the reviewing authority has determined that a state is in compliance with the Wetterling Act, the state has a continuing obligation to maintain its system's consistency with the Wetterling Act's standards, and will be required as part of the Byrne Formula Grant application process in subsequent program years to certify that the state remains in compliance with the Wetterling Act.

These guidelines relate solely to the provisions of the CSCPA that amended the Wetterling Act, and hence affect state eligibility for full Byrne Grant funding. In addition to adding subsection (j) to the Wetterling Act, the CSCPA amended federal education laws to ensure the availability to the campus community of information concerning the presence of registered sex offenders. The Department of Education is responsible for the issuance of regulations relating to those laws.

As noted above, the general guidelines for the Wetterling Act were published on January 5, 1999, and appear at 64 FR 572, with corrections at 64 FR 3590 (Jan. 22, 1999). The new CSCPA provisions in subsection (j), which these supplementary guidelines address, are only one part of the Wetterling Act. States must comply with all of the Wetterling Act's requirements in order to maintain eligibility for full Byrne Grant funding.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Ethernet in the First Mile Alliance

Notice is hereby given that, on September 3, 2002, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), Ethernet in the First Mile Alliance ("EFMA") 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, Analog Devices, Norwood, MA; Broadcom, Irvine, CA; Harmonic, Inc., Sunnyvale, CA; National Semiconductor, Santa Clara, CA; and Panasonic Semiconductor Dev. Co., San Jose, CA have been added 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 EFMA intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On January 16, 2002, EFMA 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 March 8, 2002 (67 FR 10760).

The last notification was filed with the Department on April 17, 2002. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act on June 18, 2002 (67 FR 41482).

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