

unit. The Fluid Properties meter, developed by SwRI: Fluid Properties Meter, is used to determine properties of natural gas, such as density, molecular weight and calorific value. The program will include the development of requirements and specifications for the system, subsystems and components, and the transfer of knowledge required to implement the fluid properties meter algorithm. The program will also include the actual development and testing of the Fluid Properties meter. Several reviews, such as a system requirements review, system functional review, preliminary design review, critical design review, and test readiness review will be performed during this project.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry, Inc.

Notice is hereby given that, on September 20, 2004, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* (“the Act”), Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry, Inc. (“TAPPI”) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the name and principal place of business of the standards development organization and (2) the nature and scope of its standards development activities. The notifications were filed for the purpose of invoking the Act’s provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances.

Pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act, the name and principal place of business of the standards development organization is: Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry, Inc., Norcross, GA. The nature and scope of TAPPI’s standards development activities are: Testing procedures and related practices used in the measurement, evaluation, and description of pulp, paper, and related products, including raw materials used in their manufacture,

use, or in scientific investigations of any such substances.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Technologies for Target Assessment

Notice is hereby given that, on October 18, 2004, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* (“the Act”), the Technologies for Target Assessment (“TATS member firm Icoria, Inc.”) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership. 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, Agilent Technologies, Inc., Santa Clara, CA has been added as a party to this venture and LION Bioscience, Inc., Cambridge, MA has withdrawn as a party to this venture. Also, Paradigm Genetics, Inc., Research Triangle Park, NC has changed its name to Icoria, Inc.

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 TATS member firm Icoria, Inc. intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On August 1, 2002, TATS member firm Icoria, Inc. 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 September 12, 2002 (67 FR 57853).

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

Petitions for Modification

The following parties have filed petitions to modify the application of existing safety standards under section 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977.

1. Falkirk Mining Company (The)

[Docket No. M-2005-002-C]

The Falkirk Mining Company, 2801 1st Street SW, PO Box 1087, Underwood, North Dakota 58576 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 77.803 (Fail safe ground check circuits on high-voltage resistance grounded systems) to its Falkirk Mine (MSHA I.D. No. 32-00491) located in Mclean County, North Dakota. The petitioner requests a modification of the existing standard to allow an alternative method of compliance when raising or lowering the boom mast at construction sites during initial Dragline assembly. This method would only be used during the boom mast raising or lowering, and the machine will not be performing mining operations when raising or lowering the boom for construction or maintenance. The procedure would also be applicable in instances of disassembly or major maintenance which require the boom to be raised or lowered. The petitioner has listed specific guidelines in this petition that would be followed to minimize the potential for electrical power loss during this critical boom procedure. The petitioner asserts that application of the proposed alternative method will not result in a diminution of safety to the miners.

Request for Comments

Persons interested in these petitions are encouraged to submit comments via Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>; E-mail: Comments@MSHA.gov; Fax: (202) 693-9441; or Regular Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier: Mine Safety and Health Administration, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2350, Arlington, Virginia 22209. All comments must be postmarked or received in that office on or before March 4, 2005. Copies of these petitions are available for inspection at that address.