

6(b) of the Act on February 25, 2008, (73 FR 10064).

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

#### Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Cooperative Research Group on Development and Evaluation of a Gas Chromatograph Testing Protocol

Notice is hereby given that, on March 6, 2008, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 et seq. ("the Act"), Southwest Research Institute—Cooperative Research Group on Development and Evaluation of a Gas Chromatograph Testing Protocol ("GCTP") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the identities of the parties to the venture and (2) the nature and objectives of the venture. 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 identities of the parties to the venture are: ABE Inc., Totalflow Products, Bartlesville, OK; Chevron Pipeline, Houston, TX; Operations Technology Development, Des Plains, IL; Questar Gas Company, Salt Lake City, UT; KeySpan Energy, Hicksville, NY; APGA Research Foundation, Mesa, AZ; Southern California Gas Company, Los Angeles, CA; NiCor Gas, Naperville, IL; Consolidated Edison Company of New York Inc., New York, NY; Pacific Gas & Electric Co., Walnut Creek, CA; and TransCanada Pipelines Ltd, Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

The general area of GCTP's planned activity is to develop a performance test protocol for gas chromatographs ("GCs") used by the natural gas industry. A test procedure will be created and evaluated through tests of multiple brands of GCs in controlled experiments. Findings will be provided to the American Petroleum Institute for use in developing a test protocol for general use. The general protocol will help users in the natural gas industry to define test conditions for their own performance evaluations. With this protocol, industry users can

select reliable and appropriate GCs for their own applications. The protocol may also be used to support acceptance of units by custody transfer parties and regulatory agencies, such as BLM, MMS, PHMSA, or state regulatory bodies. Membership in this research group remains open, and the participants intend to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership or planned activities.

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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#### Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Joint Venture Agreement Between Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. and Konarka Technologies, Inc., in Furtherance of NIST Cooperative Agreement (Proposal Number 00-00-7749)

Notice is hereby given that, on March 5, 2008, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 et seq. ("the Act"), Joint Venture Agreement Between Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. and Konarka Technologies, Inc., in Furtherance of NIST Cooperative Agreement (Proposal Number 00-00-7749) ("Joint Venture") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the identities of the parties to the venture and (2) the nature and objectives of the venture. 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 identities of the parties to the venture are: Konarka Technologies, Inc., Lowell, MA and Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., Allentown, PA. The general area of the Joint Venture's planned activity is to produce and commercialize organic photovoltaic modules that are transparent to any pre-selected region of the visible spectrum. This unique feature enables the application of these colored, transparent, power producing modules in windows for commercial and residential buildings and greenhouses.

The activities of this Joint Venture project will be partially funded by an

award from the Advanced Technology Program, National Institute of Standards and Technology, U.S. Department of Commerce.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request

March 28, 2008.

The Department of Labor (DOL) hereby announces the submission of the following public information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35). A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation; including among other things a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained from the RegInfo.gov Web site at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain> or by contacting Darrin King on 202-693-4129 (this is not a toll-free number)/e-mail: [king.darrin@dol.gov](mailto:king.darrin@dol.gov).

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA), Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, Telephone: 202-395-7316/Fax: 202-395-6974 (these are not toll-free numbers), E-mail: [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov) within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**. In order to ensure the appropriate consideration, comments should reference the OMB Control Number (see below).

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;