may be exempt from access provisions as described in the section entitled “Exemptions Claimed for the System.” An individual who is the subject of a record in this system may access those records that are not exempt from disclosure. A determination whether a record may be accessed will be made at the time a request is received.

Although no specific form is required, you may obtain forms for this purpose from the FOIA/Privacy Act Mail Referral Unit, Justice Management Division, United States Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20530–0001, or on the Department of Justice Web site at www.usdoj.gov/04foia/att_d.htm.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

Individuals seeking to contest or amend information maintained in the system should direct their requests to the appropriate office indicated in the “Record Access Procedures” section, above, stating clearly and concisely what information is being contesting, the reasons for contesting it, and the proposed amendment to the information sought. Some information may be exempt from contesting record procedures as described in the section entitled “Exemptions Claimed for the System.” An individual who is the subject of a record in this system may seek amendment of those records that are not exempt. A determination of whether a record is exempt from amendment will be made after a request is received.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Those individuals who submit initial requests and administrative appeals pursuant to the FOIA, the Privacy Act, or the applicable executive order(s) governing classified national security information; the agency records searched in the process of responding to such requests and appeals; Department of Justice personnel assigned to handle such requests and appeals; other agencies or entities that have referred to the Department of Justice requests concerning Department of Justice records, or that have consulted with the Department of Justice regarding the handling of particular requests; agencies or individuals who have submitted an inquiry to OIP regarding federal agency compliance with the FOIA and agencies that are the subjects of such inquiries; and submitters or subjects of records or information that have provided assistance to the Department of Justice in making access or amendment determinations.

EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

The Attorney General has exempted this system from subsections (c)(3) and (4), (d)(1), (2), (3), and (4); (e)(1), (2), (3), (5), and (6); and (g) of the Privacy Act pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(j) and (k). These exemptions apply only to the extent that information in the system is subject to exemption pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(j) and (k). Rules have been promulgated in accordance with the requirements of 5 U.S.C. 553(b), (c), and (e), and have been published in the Federal Register.

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Notice is hereby given that, on April 6, 2012, 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 Evaluation of Distributed Leak Detection Systems—Performance Testing (“LDS–PT”) 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: ExxonMobil Upstream Research Co., Houston, TX; and Shell Exploration & Production Co., Houston, TX. The general area of LDS–PT’s planned activity is to determine the applicability of using various fiber-optic-based leak detection systems for offshore pipelines. Laboratory testing of distributed temperature and distributed acoustic systems will be performed to establish their sensitivity over a range of conditions.

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Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Petroleum Environmental Research Forum Project No. 2011–01, Ultra Low Nutrient Control in Wastewater Effluents

Notice is hereby given that, on April 9, 2012, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 et seq. (“the Act”), Petroleum Environmental Research Forum (PERF) Project No. 2011–01, Ultra Low Nutrient Control in Wastewater Effluents (“PERF Project No. 2011–01”) 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: ExxonMobil Research and Engineering Company, Fairfax, VA; BP Products North America Inc., Naperville, IL; Chevron U.S.A. Inc., acting through its Chevron Energy Technology Company Division, San Ramon, CA; ConocoPhillips Company, Bartlesville, OK; Shell Global Solutions (US) Inc., Houston, TX; and Total S.A., Paris, FRANCE. The general area of PERF Project No. 2011–01’s planned activity is, through cooperative research efforts, to explore technical options to achieve ultra-low nutrient discharge requirements that are developing in some areas by sharing company experience on existing methodologies for controlling/removing nutrients from wastewater, and engaging a third party consultant to summarize current state of the technologies and understand their feasibility and limitations.

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