lands in their states; also includes direct regulatory activities on Federal lands in states without cooperative agreements.

Indian Lands—Includes direct regulatory activities on Indian lands and initiatives in self-governance and self-determination.

Program Development and Maintenance—Includes those program activities associated with the interpretation of SMCRA and its implementing regulations, reviewing and processing amendments to state programs and developing new program initiatives to meet changes in regulatory policy.

Applicant Violator System (AVS)— This program activity provides OSM, the states and tribes with the required information to fully meet the requirements of Section 510(c) of the Surface Mining Act.

Technology Development and Transfer captures OSM efforts to enhance the technical skills that States and Indian tribes need to operate their regulatory and reclamation programs and to meet SMCRA requirements. OSM wants to assure that States and Indian tribes have the highest possible level of technical capabilities necessary to run effective programs.

OSM provides technical outreach to States and Indian tribes in a multi-disciplinary approach to solve problems related to the environmental effects of coal mining. OSM provides daily informal assistance to States and Indian tribes. It also conducts technical studies on mining related problems and shares the results with them.

This business line provides the resources necessary to operate the Technical Information Processing system. This business line also funds OSM's technical training program by providing an ongoing formal educational program to increase the technical competence of OSM, State and Tribal personnel. It also funds COALEX, a computer assisted library search service, used to aid regulatory authorities by providing legal information on SMCRA, its implementing regulations and State regulatory information.

Training—The training program activity provides technical assistance to State, Tribal and OSM personnel by developing, conducting, evaluating, and/or coordinating all OSM training activities.

Technical Assistance—The technical assistance program activity addresses technical problems which arise during implementing of SMCRA. This includes assistance and advice to State, Tribal, and OSM personnel on specific issues related to Titles IV and V of SMCRA,

and current and effective methodology on mining and reclamation. This program area also includes the operation and maintenance of the Technical Information Processing System (TIPS), technical input for State program evaluation, assistance/testimony in court cases/hearings, preparation of technical studies, and interaction/coordination with other agencies on technical issues.

Technology Transfer—The technology transfer program activity provides assistance to customers in the understanding of SMCRA and in the dissemination of technical methods of achieve the requirements of SMCRA. This includes participation in technical meetings, interactive forums, and workshops; providing displays and speakers for conferences/seminars; and providing access and maintenance to information systems such as COALEX/LEXIS.

To assist us prioritize these business lines and program activities we have scheduled a public meeting on the fiscal year 1997 budget in Washington, D.C. Refer to DATES and ADDRESSES for the time, date and location for the meeting. The meeting will continue until everyone has had an opportunity to be heard. We will not prepare a formal transcript of the meeting, nor do we plan to provide formal responses to the written comments. We hope that this will facilitate dialogue in the interactive forum.

Any disabled individual who needs special accommodation to attend the public meeting should contact the individual listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

Dated: September 29, 1995.
Robert Uram,
Director, Office of Surface Mining
Reclamation and Enforcement.
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INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

Notice of Intent to Engage in Compensated Intercorporate Hauling Operations

This is to provide notice as required by 49 U.S.C. 10524(b)(1) that the named corporations intend to provide or use compensated intercorporate hauling operations as authorized in 49 U.S.C. 10524(b).

1. parent corporation and address of principal office:

Explosives Technologies International, Inc. (ETI), Wilson Bldg., Suite 202,

- 3511 Silverside Road, Wilmington, DE 19810–4902
- 2. Wholly-owned Subsidiaries which will participate in the operations, and State(s) of incorporation:
- (i) Blastrite Services Inc., Incorporated— South Carolina; Incorporated— Georgia; Incorporated—Virginia
- (ii) Rimrock Explosives Inc., Incorporated—Idaho
- (iii) Southern Explosives Corporation, Incorporated—Kentucky
- (iv) United Explosives Company of Ohio, Incorporated—Ohio
- (v) Explosives Energies Inc., Incorporated—Missouri
- (vi) Golden State Explosives Inc., Incorporated—California
- (vii) Explosives Energies Inc., dba Arkansas Explosives, Incorporated—Arkansas
- (viii) Explo-Tech Inc., Incorporated— Pennsylvania; Incorporated— Maryland
- (ix) North Star Explosives Inc., Incorporated—Alaska
- (x) ACE Explosives ETI Ltd., Incorporated—Canada
- (xi) Explosifs ETI (Quebec) Inc., Incorporated—Canada

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. AB-447X]

Muncie and Western Railroad Company—Abandonment Exemption in Delaware County, IN

AGENCY: Interstate Commerce Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Exemption.

SUMMARY: The Commission, under 49 U.S.C. 10505, exempts from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 10903–04 Muncie and Western Railroad Company's "whole-line abandonment" of its 3.72-mile line of railroad within the Macedonia industrial commercial site in Muncie, Delaware County, IN.

DATES: Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance has been received, this exemption will be effective on November 5, 1995. Formal expressions of intent to file an offer ¹ of financial assistance under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2) must be filed by October 16, 1995; petitions to stay must be filed by October 23, 1995; requests for a public use condition must be filed by October

¹ See Exempt. of Rail Abandonment—Offer of Finan. Assist., 4 I.C.C.2d 164 (1987).

26, 1995; and petitions to reopen must be filed by October 31, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Send pleadings referring to Docket No. AB–447X to: (1) Office of the Secretary, Case Control Branch, Interstate Commerce Commission, 1201 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20423; and (2) Petitioner's representative: Thomas F. McFarland, Jr., Belnap, Spencer, McFarland & Herman, 20 North Wacker Drive, Suite 3118, Chicago, IL 60606–3101

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beryl Gordon, (202) 927–5610. [TDD for the hearing impaired: (202) 927–5721.]

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Additional information is contained in the Commission's decision. To purchase a copy of the full decision, write to, call, or pick up in person from: DC NEWS & DATA, INC., Interstate Commerce Commission Building, 1201 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 2229, Washington, DC 20423. Telephone: (202) 289–4357/4359. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through TDD services at (202) 927–5721.]

Decided: September 27, 1995.

By the Commission, Chairman Morgan, Vice Chairman Owen, and Commissioners Simmons and McDonald.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of Justice Programs

[OJP (NIJ) No.1063]

RIN 1121-ZA25

National Institute of Justice "Solicitation for the Forensic DNA Laboratory Program"

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice.

ACTION: Announcement of the availability of the National Institute of Justice's "Solicitation for the Forensic DNA Laboratory Program."

ADDRESSES: National Institute of Justice, 633 Indiana Avenue, NW., Washington, D.C. 20531.

DATES: The deadline for receipt of proposals is close of business on November 30, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Richard M. Rau, National Institute of Justice, at (202) 307–0648.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following supplementary information is provided:

Authority

This action is authorized under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, §§ 201–03, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 3721–23 (1988).

Background

The purpose of this solicitation is to provide funding to State and local governments to develop or improve the capability to analyze deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) in State and local forensic laboratories. This program is authorized by the DNA Identification Act of 1994 (Public Law 103-322). Interested persons should call the National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) at 1-800-851-3420 to obtain a copy of "Solicitation for the Forensic DNA Laboratory Program" (refer to document no. ŠL000135). The solicitation is available electronically via the NCJRS Bulletin Board, which can be accessed via Internet. Telnet to ncjrsbbs.aspensys.com, or gopher to ncjrs.aspensys.com 71. Those without Internet access can dial the NCJRS Bulletin Board via modem: dial 301-738–8895. Set modem at 9600 baud, 8– N-1.

Jeremy Travis,

Director, National Institute of Justice. [FR Doc. 95–24874 Filed 10–5–95; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration

Wage and Hour Division

Minimum Wages for Federal and Federally Assisted Construction; General Wage Determination Decisions

General wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study of local wage conditions and data made available from other sources. They specify the basic hourly wage rates and fringe benefits which are determined to be prevailing for the described classes of laborers and mechanics employed on construction projects of a similar character and in the localities specified therein.

The determinations in these decisions of prevailing rates and fringe benefits have been made in accordance with 29 CFR Part 1, by authority of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the provisions of

the Davis-Bacon Act of March 3, 1931, as amended (46 Stat. 1494, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 276a) and of other Federal statutes referred to in 29 CFR Part 1, Appendix, as well as such additional statutes as may from time to time be enacted containing provisions for the payment of wages determined to be prevailing by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The prevailing rates and fringe benefits determined in these decisions shall, in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing statutes, constitute the minimum wages payable on Federal and federally assisted construction projects to laborers and mechanics of the specified classes engaged on contract work of the character and in the localities described therein.

Good cause is hereby found for not utilizing notice and public comment procedure thereon prior to the issuance of these determinations as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 553 and not providing for delay in the effective date as prescribed in that section, because the necessity to issue current construction industry wage determinations frequently and in large volume causes procedures to be impractical and contrary to the public interest.

General wage determination decisions, and modifications and supersedeas decisions thereto, contain no expiration dates and are effective from their date of notice in the Federal Register, or on the date written notice is received by the agency, whichever is earlier. These decisions are to be used in accordance with the provisions of 29 CFR Parts 1 and 5. Accordingly, the applicable decision, together with any modifications issued, must be made a part of every contract for performance of the described work within the geographic area indicated as required by an applicable Federal prevailing wage law and 29 CFR Part 5. The wage rates and fringe benefits, notice of which is published herein, and which are contained in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under The Davis-Bacon And Related Acts," shall be the minimum paid by contractors and subcontractors to laborers and mechanics.

Any person, organization, or governmental agency having an interest in the rates determined as prevailing is encouraged to submit wage rate and fringe benefit information for consideration by the Department. Further information and self-explanatory forms for the purpose of submitting this data may be obtained by writing to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Standards Administration,