Prospective Grant of Exclusive License: Biomedical Uses of CPX (8-Cyclopentyl-1,3-Dipropylxanthine) and **Related Compounds for Cystic Fibrosis and Other Human Diseases**

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health, Public Health Service. DHHS. ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is notice in accordance with 15 U.S.C. 209(c)(1) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i) that the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services, is contemplating the grant of a worldwide, limited field of use, exclusive license to practice the inventions embodied in the patents and patent applications referred to below to SciClone Pharmaceuticals, Inc. of San Mateo, California. The patent rights in these inventions have been assigned to the government of the United States of America. The patents and patent applications to be licensed are: "Method of Treating Cystic Fibrosis Using 8-Cyclopentyl-1,3-Dipropylxanthine or Xanthine Amino Congeners," U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 07/ 952,965 filed 29 Sep 92 (U.S. Patent No. 5,366,977 issued 22 Nov 94); "A Method of Identifying CFTR-Binding Compounds Useful for Activating Chloride Conductance in Animal Cells," U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/ 343,714 filed 22 Nov 94; and all continuations, divisionals, continuations-in-part, and foreign counterparts of these two patent applications.

The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within sixty (60) days from the date of this published notice, NIH receives written evidence and argument that establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37

CFR 404.7.

ADDRESSES: Requests for a copy of these patent applications, inquiries, comments, and other materials relating to the contemplated license should be directed to: J. Peter Kim, Technology Licensing Specialist, Office of Technology Transfer, National Institutes of Health, 6011 Executive Boulevard, Suite 325, Rockville, Maryland 20852. Telephone: 301/496-7056, ext. 264; Facsimile: 301/402–0220. Applications for a license filed in response to this notice will be treated as objections to the grant of the contemplated license. Only written comments and/or applications for a license which are received by NIH on or before December

29, 1995, will be considered. Comments and objections submitted in response to this notice will not be made available for public inspection, and, to the extent permitted by law, will not be released under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552. A signed Confidential Disclosure Agreement will be required to receive a copy of any pending patent application.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Cystic fibrosis is caused by mutations in the cystic fibrosis transmembrane regulator (CFTR) gene. Chloride (Cl-) and sodium transport across epithelial membranes of an individual afflicted with cystic fibrosis is abnormal. CPX activates impaired Cl- conductance channels and exhibits high potency, low toxicity, and little or no specificity for adenosine

Many of the present efforts to combat the disease have focused on drugs that are capable of either activating the mutant CFTR gene product or otherwise causing additional secretion of Cl- from affected cells. Antagonism of the A₁ adenosine receptor has been shown to result in stimulating Cl- efflux from cystic fibrosis cells. Many of the drugs currently in use or under development function by antagonizing the A₁ adenosine receptor, but lack specificity for the receptor. As a result, they can produce undesirable side effects. Similarly, antagonism of A₁ adenosine receptors will likely have an additional impact on an animal that is unrelated to the cystic fibrosis affliction. Since CPX has little or no specificity for adenosine receptors, it should be effective while minimizing side effects.

Dated: October 20, 1995. Barbara M. McGarey, Deputy Director, Office of Technology Transfer. [FR Doc. 95-26800 Filed 10-27-95; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4140-01-P

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND **URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

Office of the Assistant Secretary for **Community Planning and** Development

[Docket No. FR-3853-N-02]

Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Program; Announcement of Funding Awards—Fiscal Year 1995

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Announcement of funding

awards.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, this notice announces the funding decisions made by the Department in a competition for funding under the Fiscal Year 1995 Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program. The notice contains the names of award winners and the amounts of the awards.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Karnas, Jr., Director, Office of HIV/AIDS Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 7154, 451 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-1934. The TDD number for the hearing impaired is (202) 708-2565. (These are not toll-free numbers).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the competition was to award grants for housing assistance and supportive services by two types of projects: (1) Grants for special projects of national significance which, due to their innovative nature or their potential for replication, are likely to serve as effective models in addressing the needs of low-income persons living with HIV/ AIDS and their families; and (2) grants for projects which are part of long-term comprehensive strategies for providing housing and related services for lowincome persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families in areas that do not receive HOPWA formula allocations.

The assistance made available in this announcement is authorized by the AIDS Housing Opportunity Act (42 U.S.C. 12901), as amended by the **Housing and Community Development** Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102-550, approved October 28, 1992) and was appropriated by the HUD Appropriations Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 103-327, approved September 28, 1994) and by the HUD Appropriations Act of 1994 (Pub. L. 103–124, approved October 28, 1993), as amended by Pub. L. 104-19, approved July 27, 1995 (the Rescissions Act). The competition was announced in a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) published in the Federal Register on February 16, 1995 (60 FR 9260). Applications were rated and selected for funding on the basis of selection criteria contained in that Notice.

A total of \$17,673,957 was awarded for 21 applications under two categories of assistance: \$13,406,336 in 16 grants for special projects of national significance; and \$4,267,621 in 5 grants for projects which are part of long-term comprehensive strategies for providing housing and related services. In accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban

Development Reform Act of 1989 (Pub. L. 101–235, approved December 15, 1989), the Department is publishing the grantees and amounts of the awards in Appendix A to this document.

Dated: October 24, 1995. Andrew Cuomo,

Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development.

APPENDIX A.—1995 HOPWA COMPETITIVE GRANTS

| Grant recipient | Project location | Award amount |
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| AIDS Task Force of Alabama, Inc. | Birmingham, Alabama | \$756,992 |
| Alaska Housing Finance Corp. | Fairbanks & Juneau, Alaska | 716,166 LT |
| Marin County Community Development Agency | San Francisco metro area, California | 1,100,000 |
| State of Connecticut Dept. of Social Services | State-wide, Connecticut | 998,648 |
| Cornerstone Services, Inc. | Joliet, Illinois | 465,991 |
| Travelers & Immigrants Aid of Chicago | Chicago, Illinois | 1,030,000 |
| UNITY for the Homeless | New Orleans, Louisiana | 1,099,230 |
| City of Baltimore Department of Housing and Community Development | Baltimore, Maryland | 1,076,718 |
| State of Maryland, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene | Eastern Shore & Western Maryland | 1,000,000 LT |
| AIDS Housing Corporation | Boston, Massachusetts | 990,534 |
| Hospice of Southeastern Michigan | Detroit metro area, Michigan | 572,932 |
| State of Missouri, Department of Health | Areas outside of St. Louis and Kansas City, Missouri. | 888,065 LT |
| Community Counseling & Mediation | Brooklyn, New York | 66,950 |
| Episcopal Social Services of New York, Episcopal Action | Harlem neighborhood of New York City, NY | 1,099,999 |
| Greyston Foundation, Inc | Yonkers, New York | 1,100,000 |
| Southside Community Mission | Brooklyn, New York | 975,572 |
| Asociacíon de Puertorriquenos en Marcha | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 1,030,000 |
| State of Rhode Island, Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation | Providence, Rhode Island | 943,440 LT |
| State of Vermont, Housing and Conservation Board | State-wide, Vermont | 719,950 LT |
| AIDS Housing of Washington (2 projects) | National & Seattle area projects, Washington . | 1,042,770 |
| Total HOPWA 1995 Awards | 21 Grants | 17,673,957 |

LT denotes Long-term projects; others are Special Projects of National Significance.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management [CA-060-01-4410-04-ADVB]

Meeting of the California Desert **District Advisory Council**

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, in accordance with Public Laws 92-463 and 94-579, that the California Desert District Advisory Council to the Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of the Interior, will meet in formal session Friday, December 1, 1995, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturday, December 2, 1995, from 8:00 a.m. to noon. The session will be held at city council chambers located at 6136 Adobe Road, Twentynine Palms, California.

All Desert District Advisory Council meetings are open to the public. Time for public comment may be made available by the Council Chairman during the presentation of various agenda items, and is scheduled at the end of the meeting for topics not on the agenda.

On Thursday, November 30, 1995, from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Council members will participate in a field tour. The council will focus on management

programs for the area. The tour will assemble at 7:15 a.m. at the Best Western Gardens Motel parking lot located at 71487 29 Palms Highway, Twentynine Palms, California. The public is welcome to participate in the field tour, but should plan on providing their own transportation and beverage, as well as sack lunch and hat, jacket, and comfortable shoes. Anyone interested in participating should contact BLM at (909) 697-5215 for more information.

Written comments may be filed in advance of the meeting for the California Desert District Advisory Council c/o Bureau of Land Management, Public Affairs Office, 6221 Box Springs Boulevard, Riverside, California 92507-0714. Written comments are also accepted at the time of the meeting and, if copies are provided to the recorder, will be incorporated into the minutes.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND MEETING **CONFIRMATION:** Contact the Bureau of Land Management, California Desert District, Public Affairs Office, 6221 Box Springs Boulevard, Riverside, California 92507; (909) 697-5215.

Dated: October 23, 1995.

J. Simpson,

Acting District Manager.

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Hearing To Discuss the Use of **Helicopters and Motorized Vehicles To Gather Wild Horses**

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Forest Service, Interior.

ACTION: Public hearing to discuss the use of helicopters and motorized vehicles to gather wild horses during FY

SUMMARY: In accordance with Public Law 92-195, as amended by Public Law 94-579 and Public Law 95-514, this notice sets forth the public hearing data to discuss the use of helicopters and motorized vehicles to gather wild horses from the Las Vegas District during FY 96.

The hearing will convene at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, November 15, 1995, in the Conference Room of the Las Vegas District BLM Office, 4765 Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada.

The hearing is open to the public. Interested persons may make oral or written statements. Anyone wishing to make oral comments should contact Gary McFadden, Las Vegas District Wild Horse Specialist, by November 15, 1995. Written statements must also be received by this date.

DATES: November 15, 1995.