

development activities, pursuant to § 225.25(b)(6) of the Board's Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 7, 1996.

William W. Wiles,

*Secretary of the Board.*

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## FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**TIME AND DATE:** 10:00 a.m. March 18, 1996.

**PLACE:** 4th Floor, Conference Room, 1250 H Street NW., Washington, DC.

**STATUS:** Open.

#### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Approval of the minutes of the February 20, 1996, Board meeting.
2. Investment policy reaffirmation.
3. Thrift Savings Plan activity report by the Executive Director.
4. Review of the KPMG Peat Marwick audit report: "Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration Review of the U.S. Department of Treasury Operations relating to the Thrift Savings Plan Investments in the Government Securities Fund."

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Tom Trabucco, Director, Office of External Affairs, (202) 942-1640.

Dated: March 6, 1996.

Roger W. Mehle,

*Executive Director, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.*

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## FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Dkt. C-3614]

### Alpine Industries, Inc., et al.; Prohibited Trade Practices, and Affirmative Corrective Actions

**AGENCY:** Federal Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Consent order.

**SUMMARY:** In settlement of alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair acts and practices and unfair methods of competition, this consent order prohibits, among other things, two Minnesota-based sister companies and their principal officer from making unsubstantiated claims about the ability of any air cleaning product to eliminate, remove, clear or clean any indoor air pollutant—or any quantity of indoor air pollutants—from a user's environment.

**DATES:** Complaint and Order issued September 22, 1995.<sup>1</sup>

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeffrey Klurfeld, Kerry O'Brien, and Linda Badger, San Francisco Regional Office, Federal Trade Commission, 901 Market Street, Suite 570, San Francisco, CA 94103. (415) 744-7920.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On Wednesday, July 5, 1995, there was published in the Federal Register, 60 FR 35021, a proposed consent agreement with analysis in the Matter of Alpine Industries, Inc., et al., for the purpose of soliciting public comment. Interested parties were given sixty (60) days in which to submit comments, suggestions or objections regarding the proposed form of the order.

No comments having been received, the Commission has ordered the issuance of the complaint in the form contemplated by the agreement, made its jurisdictional findings and entered an order to cease and desist, as set forth in the proposed consent agreement, in disposition of this proceeding.

(Sec. 6, 38 Stat. 721; 15 U.S.C. 46. Interprets or applies sec. 5, 38 Stat. 719, as amended; 15 U.S.C. 45)

Donald S. Clark,

*Secretary.*

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### Benckiser Consumer Products, Inc.; Consent Agreement With Analysis To Aid Public Comment

**AGENCY:** Federal Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Consent agreement.

**SUMMARY:** In settlement of alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair acts and practices and unfair methods of competition, this consent agreement, accepted subject to final Commission approval, would prohibit the Danbury, Connecticut-based company from making certain misleading claims for any of its household cleaning products. The consent agreement settles allegations that Benckiser made false and misleading "cause-related marketing" claims in advertising its "EarthRite" line of household cleaning products. Benckiser claimed that a portion of EarthRite's proceeds would be donated to non-profit environmental groups, when in fact, according to the FTC, the company has not donated any money to

<sup>1</sup> Copies of the Complaint and the Decision and Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, H-130, 6th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20580.

such groups since it began selling EarthRite products in 1992.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before May 13, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 6th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20580.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Thomas B. Carter, Dallas Regional Office, Federal Trade Commission, 100 N. Central Expressway, Suite 500, Dallas, TX 75201. 214-767-5518.

James R. Golder, Dallas Regional Office, Federal Trade Commission, 100 N. Central Expressway, Suite 500, Dallas, TX 75201. 214-767-5508.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to Section 6(f) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 38 Stat. 721, 15 U.S.C. 46 and section 2.34 of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 2.34), notice is hereby given that the following consent agreement containing a consent order to cease and desist, having been filed with and accepted, subject to final approval, by the Commission, has been placed on the public record for a period of sixty (60) days. Public comment is invited. Such comments or views will be considered by the Commission and will be available for inspection and copying at its principal office in accordance with section 4.9(b)(6)(ii) of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 4.9(b)(6)(ii)).

In the matter of Benckiser Consumer Products, Inc., a corporation.

The Federal Trade Commission having initiated an investigation of certain acts and practices of Benckiser Consumer Products, Inc., a corporation, and it now appearing that Benckiser Consumer Products, Inc., a corporation, hereinafter sometimes referred to as proposed respondent, is willing to enter into an agreement containing an order to cease and desist from the use of the acts and practices being investigated,

It is hereby agreed by and between Benckiser Consumer Products, Inc., by its duly authorized officer, and its attorney, and counsel for the Federal Trade Commission that:

1. Proposed respondent Benckiser Consumer Products, Inc. is a corporation organized, existing and doing business under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware, with its principal office or place of business at Corporate Centre I, 55 Federal Road, Danbury, Connecticut 06813-1991.