whether certain ductile iron waterworks fittings from China are being imported into the United States in such increased quantities or under such conditions as to cause market disruption to the domestic producers of like or directly competitive products. The petition also alleged under section 421(i)(1)(A) of the Act, that critical circumstances exist with respect to imports of the subject product from China, and on October 20, 2003, the Commission made a negative determination ^{5 6} with respect to whether delay in taking action under this section would cause damage to the relevant domestic industry which would be difficult to repair (68 FR 61013, October 24, 2003).

Notice of the institution of the Commission's investigation and of the scheduling of a public hearing to be held in connection therewith was given by posting a copy of the notice on the Commission's Web site (http://www.usitc.gov) and by publishing the notice in the Federal Register of September 15, 2003 (68 FR 54010). The hearing was held on November 6, 2003, in Washington, DC; all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.

By order of the Commission. Issued: December 8, 2003.

Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993_Industrial Macromolecular Crystallography Association ("IMCA")

Notice is hereby given that, on November 17, 2003, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993_Industrial Macromolecular Crystallography Association (IMCA) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership status. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual

damages under specified circumstances. Specifically, Novartis Institute for Biomedical Research, Inc., Cambridge, MA has been added as a party to this venture. Also, The Procter and Gamble Distributing Company, Cincinnati, OH; Pharmacia Corporation, Peapack, NJ; Pharmacia and Upjohn Company, Peapack, NJ; and Glaxo Wellcome Inc., Research Triangle Park, NC have been dropped as parties to this venture.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research project remains open, and IMCA intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On October 23, 1990, IMCA filed its original notification pursuant to Section 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act on December 3, 1990 (55 FR 49953).

The last notification was filed with the Department on July 18, 2000. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act on May 23, 2001 (66 FR 28546).

Dorothy B. Fountain,

Deputy Director of Operations Antitrust Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Nano-Engineered Thermal Interfaces Materials Enabling Next Generation Electronics

Notice is hereby given that, on October 2, 2003, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993. 15 U.S.C. 4301 et seq. ("the Act"), Nano-**Engineered Thermal Interfaces Materials Enabling Next Generation** Microelectronics has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership status. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Specifically, Cabot Corporation, Albuquerque, NM has been added as a party to this venture.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research project remains open, and Nano-Engineered Thermal Interfaces Materials Enabling Next Generation Microelectronics intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On October 2, 2003, Nano-Engineered Thermal Interfaces Enabling Next Generation Microelectronics filed its original notification pursuant to section 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in **Federal Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act on December 1, 2003 (68 FR 67216).

Dorothy B. Fountain,

Deputy Director of Operations Antitrust Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice of Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—National Shipbuilding Research Program ("NSRP")

Notice is hereby given that, on October 29, 2003, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993. 15 U.S.C. 4301 et seq. ("the Act"), National Shipbuilding Research Program ("NSRP") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership status. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Specifically, VT Halter Marine, Inc., Gulfport, MS, a subsidiary of Vision Technologies Systems, Inc., Alexandria, VA, a subsidiary of Singapore Technologies Engineering, Ltd., Singapore, Singapore, has been added as a party to this venture.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research project remains open, and NSRP intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On Mary 13, 1998, NSRP filed its original notification pursuant to section 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act on January 29, 1999 (64 FR 4708).

The last notification was filed with the Department on October 9, 2003. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the

⁵ Commissioner Lane made an affirmative critical circumstances determination.

⁶ Commissioner Pearson did not participate in the critical circumstances determination.

Act on November 12, 2003 (68 FR 64125).

Dorothy B. Fountain,

Deputy Director of Operations, Antitrust Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Optical Switch Venture

Notice is hereby given that, on October 16, 2003, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 et seq. ("the Act"), Agiltron Incorporated has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the identities of the parties and (2) the nature and objectives of the venture. The notifications were filed for the purpose invoking the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Pursuant to section 6(a) of the Act, the identities of the parties are Agiltron Incorporated, Wilmington, MA, and AC Photonics Incorporated, Santa Clara, CA. The nature and objectives of the venture are to develop and demonstrate a new type of optical switch based on an optical MEMS platform.

Dorothy B. Fountain,

Deputy Director of Operations, Antitrust Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Semiconductor Test Consortium, Inc.

Notice is hereby given that, on November 12, 2003, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 et seq. ("the Act"), Semiconductor Test Consortium, Inc. has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership status. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act's provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Specifically, Tokyo Electron Ltd., Tokyo, Japan; Tokyo Seimitsu Co., Ltd., Tokyo, Japan; Port Orford Company, Rollingbay, WA have been added as parties to this venture.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research project remains open, and Semiconductor Test Consortium, Inc. intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On May 27, 2003, Semiconductor Test Consortium, Inc. filed its original notification pursuant to section 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act of June 17, 2003 (68 FR 35913).

This last notification was filed with the Department on August 18, 2003. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act on September 8, 2003 (68 FR 52959).

Dorothy B. Fountain,

Deputy Director of Operations, Antitrust Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—USB Flash Drive Alliance ("UFDA")

Notice is hereby given that, on November 12, 2003, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 et seq. ("the Act"), USB Flash Drive Alliance ("UFDA") has filed written notifications simultaneously with Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the identities of the parties 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 are Kingston Technologies, Fountain Valley, CA; Lexar Media, Inc., Fremont, CA; Samsung Semiconductor, Inc., San Jose, CA; SimpleTech, Inc., Santa Ana, CA; Microsoft Corporation, Redmond, WA; Viking Interworks, a

Sanimna-SCI Company, Rancho Santa Margarita, CA; Crucial Technology, a division of Micron, Boise, ID; GenesysLogic, San Jose, CA; and PNY Technologies, Inc., Parsippany, NJ. The nature and objectives of the venture are to promote the advancement of the general use of USB flash drive devices through the creation of a generic industry recognized category (USB flash drives), and use this category to educate consumers about the benefits and uses of USB flash drives.

Dorothy B. Fountain,

Deputy Director of Operations Antitrust Division.

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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.