

The MMS also conducts unannounced audits on 25 percent of all certified training programs each year. These audits emphasize program record maintenance, classroom layout and function, and classroom or hands-on instruction. Finally, MMS tests students at the training site on a random basis to verify that they understand the curriculum.

Duties of a Third Party

If adopted, third parties would continue much of what MMS does under the current program. They would also report periodically to MMS on their activities. These reports would include any significant certification or monitoring issues, ideas for improving training programs and techniques, and recommendations for enhancing worker safety and protecting the environment.

Some specifics may include—

- reporting to MMS on the certified training programs and the associated training organizations;
- evaluating and reporting to the MMS the relationships between training program requirements and incidents that occur at offshore facilities (e.g., analyses of offshore operators' "near-miss" and well "kick" data and well blowout prevention equipment); and
- recommending changes to the certification process or MMS training program requirements.

Qualifications of a Third Party

The MMS will consider several factors in choosing a third party.

Certification fee structure. MMS would not pay third parties to do certification work. Instead, third parties would charge training organizations a service fee. The MMS would determine whether a fee is reasonable and equitable.

Certifier's credentials. Third parties should have knowledge of and practical experience with oil and gas drilling, well-completion, well-workover, well-supervising, and/or production activities. They also should be experienced at assessing teaching credentials and curricula. Training programs may include traditional instructor/classroom training as well as other training techniques (e.g., team-based or computer-based).

Reliability and responsiveness. Third parties would have to dedicate sufficient staff and resources to handle anticipated workloads; demonstrate that they can process certification requests competently and promptly; and install a system to maintain complete, up-to-date, and accessible records.

Objectively. To avoid conflicts of interest, third parties could not consider

certification requests from training organizations in which either the third party or the organization held a financial or business interest in the other. Third parties would honor certification requests from any other training organization. The MMS would expect third parties to develop a process for objectively reviewing training organization appeals.

Training program assessment capabilities. Third parties would have to demonstrate they can assess training program performance. While MMS would not insist that third parties use the current monitoring techniques, MMS would expect a comparable program to be in place. Also, third parties would have to emphasize "after-the-school" workforce performance appraisals. In particular, MMS is interested in methods that assess knowledge retention, and how the training is applied in the workplace. Third parties would provide MMS with feedback on worker training improvements.

MMS oversight. Third parties would assist MMS in its oversight role by helping investigate complaints about certification determinations and cooperating in MMS audits. The MMS also would expect third parties to grant MMS *ex officio* status on any of its governing boards or executive/management committees. Third parties would consult with the MMS on concerns over whether a proposed program meets MMS requirements. This might be important when third parties have to certify programs that involve new, unusual, or alternative techniques.

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Mineral Management.

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National Park Service

Dayton Aviation Heritage Commission Meeting

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.
ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets the schedule for the forthcoming meeting of the Dayton Aviation Heritage Commission. Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463).

MEETING DATE, TIME, AND ADDRESS: Monday, July 22, 1996; 2 to 4 p.m., Innerwest Priority Board conference room, 1024 West Third Street, Dayton, Ohio 45407.

AGENDA: This business meeting will be open to the public. Space and facilities to accommodate members of the public are limited and persons accommodated on a first-come, first-served basis. The Chairman will permit attendees to address the Commission, but may restrict the length of presentations. An agenda will be available from the Superintendent, Dayton Aviation, 1 week prior to the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Gibson, Superintendent, Dayton Aviation, National Park Service, P.O. Box 9280, Wright Brothers Station, Dayton, Ohio 45409, or telephone 513-225-7705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Dayton Aviation Heritage Commission was established by Public Law 102-419, October 16, 1992.

Dated: June 5, 1996.

William W. Schenk,
Field Director, Midwest Field Area.
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of Community Oriented Policing Services; FY 1996 Community Policing Discretionary Grants

AGENCY: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, Department of Justice.
ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services ("COPS") announces the availability of grants to hire and/or rehire additional sworn law enforcement officers to engage in community policing. The COPS Universal Hiring Program permits interested agencies to supplement their current sworn forces or jurisdictions to establish a policing agency. Eligible applicants include State, local, and Indian policing agencies, jurisdictions seeking to establish a new policing agency and other agencies serving specialized jurisdictions, such as transit, housing, college, school, or natural resources.

DATES: COPS Universal Hiring Program Application Kits will be available in mid-June 1996. There will be three application deadlines for the Universal Hiring Program: July 15, 1996, for Round 1; August 15, 1996, for Round 2; and September 15, 1996, for Round 3. Applications not funded in Rounds 1 and 2 will be carried over to subsequent rounds.

ADDRESSES: COPS Universal Hiring Program Application Kits will be mailed

to all eligible agencies or may be obtained by writing to COPS Universal Hiring Program, 1100 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530, or by calling the Department of Justice Response Center, (202) 307-1480 or 1-800-421-6770, or the full application kit is also available on the COPS Office web site at: <http://www.usdoj.gov/cops>. Completed applications should be sent to COPS Universal Hiring Program, COPS Office, 1100 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20530.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Department of Justice Crime Bill Response Center, (202) 307-1480 or 1-800-421-6770.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Overview

The Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 (Pub. L. 103-322) authorizes the Department of Justice to make grants for the hiring or rehiring of law enforcement officers to engage in community policing. The COPS Universal Hiring Program permits interested agencies to supplement their current sworn forces or to establish a new policing agency, through grants for up to three years. All policing agencies, as well as jurisdictions considering establishing new policing agencies, are eligible to apply for this program. In addition, policing agencies serving specialized jurisdictions, such as transit, housing, college, school, natural resources, and others, are eligible to apply for this program.

There are three application deadlines for this program: July 15, 1996, for Round 1; August 15, 1996, for Round 2; and September 15, 1996, for Round 3. Departments may apply before any one of the deadlines and equal consideration will be given to applications in any round. Applications which are not funded in Round 1 or 2 will be carried over the subsequent rounds.

All applicants will be asked to provide basic community policing and planning information for their area of jurisdiction. In addition, new applicants serving jurisdictions of 50,000 and over, as well as all those jurisdictions seeking to establish a department and agencies serving specialized jurisdictions (such as transit, housing, college, school, or natural resources), will be asked to provide additional information relating to the applicant's community policing plan, local community policing initiatives and strategies, local community support for the applicant's community policing plans, and plans for retaining the officers at the end of the grant period. In addition to the requested community policing

information, all applicants will be asked to submit a streamlined budget summary containing information relating to planned hiring levels, salary and fringe benefits, and decreasing federal share requirements. The COPS Universal Hiring Program Application offers two alternative budget worksheets which are tailored to the number of officers requested by each applicant; applicants requesting five or fewer officers will complete one budget worksheet for each officer, while applicants requesting more than five officers will complete a single budget worksheet based on the average yearly cost per officer.

Grants will be made for up to 75 percent of the total entry-level salary and benefits of each officer over three years, up to a maximum of \$75,000 per officer, with the remainder to be paid by state or local funds. Waivers of the non-federal matching requirement may be requested under this program, but will be granted only upon a showing of extraordinary fiscal hardship. Grant funds may be used only for entry-level salaries and benefits. Funding will begin once the new officers have been hired or on the date of the award, whichever is later, and will be paid over the course of the grant.

In hiring new officers with a COPS Universal Hiring Program grant, grantees must follow standard local recruitment and selection procedures. All personnel hired under this program will be required to be trained in community policing. In addition, all personnel hired under this program must be *in addition to*, and not in lieu of, other hiring plans of the grantees.

An award under the COPS Universal Hiring Program will not affect the eligibility of an agency for a grant under any other COPS program

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance reference number for this program is 16.710.

Dated: June 7, 1996.

Joseph E. Brann,
Director.

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Office of Community Oriented Policing Services; Police Corps, Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Office of the Police Corps and Law Enforcement Education, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, Department of Justice.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice invites the submission of State Plans for

the implementation of the Police Corps. The Police Corp provides scholarships and financial assistance for educational expenses to qualified individuals in participating States in return for a commitment to devote four years of service as a member of a State or local police force. All States of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands are eligible to submit a State Plan.

DATES: Invitations to submit a State Plan and background materials will be mailed to the chief executives of eligible States and other jurisdictions during the week of June 10, 1996. State Plans for the FY 1996 Police Corps pilot project should be submitted by July 31, 1996.

ADDRESSES: State Plans should be submitted to Joseph E. Brann, Office of the Police Corps and Law Enforcement Education, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, U.S. Department of Justice, 1100 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20530.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions regarding preparation of a State Plan should be directed to L. Anthony Sutin, Deputy Director, at (202) 514-3750. General inquiries regarding the Police Corps should be directed to the Department of Justice Crime Bill Response Center, (202) 307-1480 or 1-800-421-6770.

Dated: June 10, 1996.

Joseph E. Brann,

Director.

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Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Dominion Semiconductor

Notice is hereby given that, on March 13, 1996, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. § 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), Dominion Semiconductor, L.L.C. ("Dominion") 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 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