

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Department of the Navy****Notice of an Additional Public Hearing in Great Mills, MD for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Increased Flight and Related Operations in the Patuxent River Complex, Patuxent River, MD**

AGENCY: Department of the Navy.

ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Navy (DON) has prepared and filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for River Increased Flight and Related Operations in the Patuxent River Complex, Patuxent River, MD. The DON announced in the May 22, 1998 **Federal Register** that three public hearings would be held to provide information and to receive public input on the DEIS. The DON announces that it will hold an additional fourth public hearing in Great Mills, MD to inform the public of the Patuxent findings and to receive oral and written comments on the DEIS. Federal, state and local agencies, and interested individuals are invited to be present or represented at the hearing.

**DATES:** The additional public hearing date and location is: Monday, June 22, 1998, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at Great Mills High School, 21130 Great Mills Road, Great Mills, MD.

An open information session, beginning at 5:00 p.m., will precede the scheduled formal public hearing at 7:00 p.m. The open information session will allow individuals to review the results of the analysis presented in the DEIS and Navy representatives will be available to answer questions and/or clarify information related to the DEIS.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION TO PROVIDE COMMENTS OR FOR A COPY OF THE DEIS CONTACT:** Ms. Sue Evans or Ms. Kelly Burdick, c/o Office of Legal Counsel, 47031 Liljencrantz Road, Building 435, MS 39; Patuxent River, Maryland 20670-5440

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508) implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act, the DON has prepared and filed with the EPA, the DEIS for Increased Flight and Related Operations in the Patuxent River Complex, Patuxent River, Maryland. The DEIS identifies and evaluates the potential environmental impacts in test areas of the Patuxent River Complex that are controlled and scheduled by the Naval

Air Warfare Center, Aircraft Division (NAWCAD). The complex includes all the flight and ground test facilities at NAS Patuxent River and OLF Webster Field Annex, as well as the restricted airspaces, aerial and surface firing range, and targets (Hooper, Hannibal, and Tangier Island) comprising the Chesapeake Test Range (CTR). The DEIS assesses the impacts of the no action alternative and three proposed future operations workload alternatives. The no action alternative would maintain the complex's current level of flight hours into the future (18,400 annually, which represents an approximate ten-year average of annual flight hours). The three workload alternatives propose increases in baseline operations by as few as 2,500 annual flight hours or as many as 6,200 annual flight hours.

A Notice of Intent to prepare the EIS was published in the **Federal Register** on April 1, 1997 and five scoping meetings were held between May 6 and May 15, 1997. A Notice of Availability of the DEIS was published in the **Federal Register** on May 15, 1998.

The DEIS has been distributed to various federal, state and local agencies, elected officials, special interest groups, the media, and concerned citizens. In addition, copies are available for review at 18 repositories around the Chesapeake Bay: Anne Arundel South County Branch Library, Deale, MD.; Caroline County Public Library, Denton, MD.; Calvert County Public Library, Prince Frederick, MD.; Dorchester County Central Library, Cambridge, MD.; Somerset County Libraries, Deale Island, Princess Anne, and Ewell (Smith Island), MD.; St. Mary's County Libraries, Lexington Park and Leonardtown, MD.; St. Mary's College Library, St. Mary's City, MD.; Talbot County Libraries, Easton and Oxford, MD.; Worcester County Library, Pocomoke City, MD.; Eastern Shore Public Library, Accomac, VA.; Central Rappahannock Law Library, Fredericksburg, VA.; Northumberland County Library, Heathsville, VA.; Tangier Island Public School Library, Tangier, VA.; Laurel Public Library, Laurel, DE.

Federal, state and local agencies, and interested individuals are invited to attend or be represented at the hearing. All statements, both oral and written, will become part of the public record on the DEIS and will be responded to in the Final Environmental Impact Statement and will be given equal consideration. Written comments on the DEIS should be mailed to the address above and must be postmarked not later than 5:00 p.m. on July 6, 1998 to be part of the official record. Written comments will also be

accepted via e-mail at the Internet website at <http://www.tamsconsultants.com/paxriver/>, by facsimile at (301) 342-1840, or by calling toll-free (888) 276-5201.

Dated: June 1, 1998.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Department of the Navy****Notice of Availability of Inventions for Licensing; Government-Owned Inventions**

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The inventions listed below are assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Navy and are available for licensing by the Department of the Navy.

Patent Application entitled "Method for Fabricating an Electrically Addressable Silicon-on-Sapphire Light Valve," filed March 25, 1998, Navy Case No. 79029.

**ADDRESSES:** Requests for copies of the patent applications cited should be directed to the Office of Naval Research, ONR OOC, Ballston Tower One, 800 North Quincy Street, Arlington, Virginia 22217-5660 and must include the Navy Case numbers.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. R.J. Erickson, Staff Patent Attorney, Office of Naval Research, ONR OOC, Ballston Tower One, 800 North Quincy Street, Arlington, Virginia 22217-5660, telephone (703) 696-4001.

(Authority: 35 U.S.C. 207, 37 CFR part 404)

Dated: May 22, 1998.

**Lou Rae Langevin,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Department of the Navy****Notice of Intent to Grant Exclusive Patent License; Optron Systems, Inc.**

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Navy hereby gives notice of its intent to grant

to Optron Systems, Inc., a revocable, nonassignable, exclusive license in the United States, to practice the Government-owned inventions described in Navy Case No. 79043 entitled "Ultra-High Resolution Liquid Crystal Display on Silicon-on-Sapphire," and Navy Case No. 79029 entitled "Method for Fabricating an Electrically Addressable Silicon-on-Sapphire Light Valve."

**DATES:** Anyone wishing to object to the grant of this license must file written objections along with supporting evidence, if any, not later than August 3, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Written objections are to be filed with the Office of Naval Research, ONR 00CC, Ballston Tower One, 800 North Quincy Street, Arlington, Virginia 22217-5660.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. R.J. Erickson, Staff Patent Attorney, Office of Naval Research, ONR 00CC, Ballston Tower One, 800 North Quincy Street, Arlington, Virginia 22217-5660, telephone (703) 696-4001.

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Dated: May 22, 1998.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Office of Arms Control and Nonproliferation

#### Proposed Subsequent Arrangement Concerning Reciprocal Arrangements for Exchanges of Information and Visits Under the Agreement for Cooperation for the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy Between the Government of the United States and the Government of the People's Republic of China

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Subsequent arrangement.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of the proposed "subsequent arrangement" under the Agreement for Cooperation Between the Government of the United States and the Government of the People's Republic of China Concerning the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy, signed July 23, 1985 ("the Agreement"). The Government of the United States and the Government of the People's Republic of China will establish mutually acceptable reciprocal arrangements for exchanges of

information and visits to material, facilities, and components subject to the Agreement. The framework for executing the proposed exchanges under the Agreement is established in a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), initialed on June 23, 1987, and signed by the Government of the United States and the Government of the People's Republic of China on May 6, 1998.

Consistent with the Department of Energy's Notice of Intent, published February 10, 1998, 63 FR 6733, the Department is publishing, below, the Memorandum of Understanding Between the United States and the People's Republic of China describing reciprocal arrangements for U.S. monitoring of nuclear transfers to the People's Republic of China under the Agreement for Cooperation Between the Government of the United States and the Government of the People's Republic of China Concerning the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy.

I have determined that the reciprocal arrangements, as provided in the Agreement in the U.S.-China Memorandum of Understanding, are not inimical to the common defense and security.

This subsequent arrangement will take effect no sooner than fifteen days after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: May 27, 1998.

For the Department of Energy.

**Michael V. McClary,**

*Acting Director, Office of Arms Control and Nonproliferation.*

The text of the U.S.-China Memorandum of Understanding follows.

#### Memorandum of Understanding

The Government of the United States of America and the Government of the People's Republic of China (the "parties");

Desiring to implement the Agreement for Cooperation between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the People's Republic of China Concerning Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy, signed July 23, 1985, and entered into force December 30, 1985 (the "Agreement"), on the basis of mutual respect for sovereignty, non-interference in each other's internal affairs, equality and mutual benefit, and

Desiring to exchange experience, strengthen technical cooperation between the parties, ensure that the provisions of the Agreement are effectively carried out, and enhance a stable, reliable, and predictable nuclear cooperation relationship,

Have established the following arrangements:

1. Each party shall invite personnel designated by the other party to visit the material, facilities and components subject to the Agreement, affording them the opportunity to observe and exchange views on, and share technical experience in, the utilization or operation of such items. Opportunities to visit shall be accorded annually to reactors including their auxiliary storage pools for the fuel. Such annual visits shall be arranged at the time of reactor fueling if it occurs. Opportunities to visit all other items shall not be less often than every two years. When either party identifies special circumstances, the parties shall consult, at the request of either party, for the purpose of making mutually acceptable arrangements for the addition or reduction of visits under such circumstances in order to ensure that the objectives of Article 8(2) are fulfilled.

2. When material, facilities or components are transferred pursuant to the Agreement, the recipient party shall confirm receipt to the supplier party through diplomatic channels within 30 days after the arrival of the material, facilities or components in the territory of the recipient party. At the request of either party, the parties shall exchange information on the material, facilities and components subject to the Agreement. Such information shall include the isotopic composition, physical form, and quantity of the material, and places where the material, facilities or components are used or kept. It shall also include information on the operation of the facilities subject to the Agreement which in the case of a reactor shall cover thermal energy generated and loading. The parties shall seek to resolve any discrepancies through diplomatic channels. The information shall be treated as confidential.

The above arrangements fulfill the requirements of Article 8(2) of the Agreement for the types of peaceful nuclear activities pursuant to the Agreement that each party had planned as of the date of entry into force of the Agreement. These arrangements shall enter into force upon signature and shall remain in force so long as the provisions of Article 8(2) continue in effect. Either party may request a revision of these arrangements, including the frequency, occasion or content of visits, at any time; any revision shall be made by mutual agreement.

Done at Washington this sixth day of May, 1998, in the English and Chinese languages, both texts being equally authentic.