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Sadye E. Dunn,

Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for El Rancho Road Bridge Replacement Project, Vandenberg Air Force Base, California

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the United States Air Force (USAF) is issuing this notice to advise the public that the USAF intends to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to assess potential environmental impacts of the proposed actions and possible alternatives for the El Rancho Road Bridge Replacement Project at Vandenberg Air Force Base, California. The proposed action is to construct a causeway bridge on El Rancho Road that will span the entire San Antonio Creek floodplain. Identified alternatives are to build a system of elevated culverts spanning the entire stream and bridge area, or to take no action and continue regular debris and sedimentation clearing in the affected area.

A scoping meeting is planned in Lompoc, California for the purpose of identifying environmental concerns that need to be addressed in the EIS. Notice of the time and location of the meeting will be made available to the community using the local news media. The schedule for the scoping meeting is as follows:

| Date | Location | Time |
|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------|
| 18 Aug 99 | Lompoc City Council | 6:30 p.m. |

The purpose of this meeting is to identify the environmental issues and concerns that should be analyzed in developing the EIS. Public input and comments are solicited concerning the environmental aspects of the proposed program. To assure the USAF will have sufficient time to fully consider public inputs on issues, written comments

should be mailed to ensure receipt no later than September 1, 1999.

Please direct written comments or request for further information concerning El Rancho Road Bridge Replacement Project to: James L. Johnston, 30 CES/CEV, 806 13th Street, Suite 116, Vandenberg AFB, CA 93437-5242, (805) 605-0633.

Janet A. Long,

Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Inland Waterways Users Board

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice (Request for nominations).

SUMMARY: Section 302 of Public Law (PL) 99-662 established the Inland Waterways Users Board. The Board is an independent Federal advisory committee. Its 11 members are appointed by the Secretary of the Army. This notice is to solicit nominations for four (4) appointments or reappointments to two-year terms that will begin January 1, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), Department of the Army, Washington, DC 20310-0103. Attention: Inland Waterways Users Board Nominations Committee.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Joseph W. Westphal, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), (703) 697-8986.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The selection, service, and appointment of Board members are covered by provisions of Section 302 of PL 99-662. The substance of those provisions is as follows:

a. Selection

Members are to be selected from the spectrum of commercial carriers and shippers using the inland and intracoastal waterways, to represent geographical regions, and to be representative of waterborne commerce as determined by commodity ton-miles statistics.

b. Service

The board is required to meet at least semi-annually to develop and make recommendations to the Secretary of the Army on waterways construction and rehabilitation priorities and spending levels for commercial navigation

improvements, and report its recommendations annually to the Secretary and Congress.

c. Appointment

The operation of the Board and appointment of its members are subject to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended) and departmental implementing regulations. Members serve without compensation but their expenses due to Board activities are reimbursable. The considerations specified in section 302 for the selection of the Board members, and certain terms used therein, have been interpreted, supplemented, or otherwise clarified as follows:

(1) Carriers and Shippers

The law uses the terms "primary users and shippers." Primary users has been interpreted to mean the providers of transportation services on inland waterways such as barge or towboat operators. Shippers has been interpreted to mean the purchasers of such services for the movement of commodities they own or control. Individuals are appointed to the Board, but they must be either a carrier or shipper, or represent a firm that is a carrier or shipper. For that purpose a trade or regional association is neither a shipper or primary user.

(2) Geographical Representation

The law specifies "various" regions. For the purpose of selecting Board members, the waterways subjected to fuel taxes and described in Pub. L. 95-502, as amended, have been aggregated into six regions. They are (1) the Upper Mississippi River and its tributaries above the mouth of the Ohio; (2) the Lower Mississippi River and its tributaries below the mouth of the Ohio and above Baton Rouge; (3) the Ohio River and its tributaries; (4) the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway in Louisiana and Texas; (5) the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway east of New Orleans and associated fuel-taxed waterways including the Tennessee-Tombigbee, plus the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway below Norfolk; and (6) the Columbia-Snake Rivers System and Upper Willamette. The intent is that each region shall be represented by at least one Board member, with that representation determined by the regional concentration of the individual's traffic on the waterways.

(3) Commodity Representation

Waterway commerce has been aggregated into six commodity categories based on "inland" ton-miles shown in Waterborne Commerce of the

United States. These categories are (1) Farm and Food Products; (2) Coal and Coke; (3) Petroleum, Crude and Products; (4) Minerals, Ores, and Primary Metals and Mineral Products; (5) Chemicals and Allied Products; and (6) All other. A consideration in the selection of Board members will be that the commodities carried or shipped by those individuals or their firms will be reasonably representative of the above commodity categories.

d. Nomination

Reflecting preceding selection criteria, the current representation by the four (4) Board members whose terms expire December 31, 1999, is one member representing region 1, two members representing region 2, and one member representing region 3. Also, these Board members represent two shippers and two carriers.

Two (2) of the four members whose terms expire December 31, 1999, are eligible for reappointment. Nominations to replace Board members whose terms expire December 31, 1999, may be made by individuals, firms or associations. Nominations will:

- (1) state the region to be represented;
- (2) state whether the nominee is representing carriers, shippers or both;
- (3) provide information on the nominee's personal qualifications;
- (4) include the commercial operations of the carrier and/or shipper with whom the nominee is affiliated. This commercial operations information will show the actual or estimated ton-miles of each commodity carried or shipped on the inland waterways system in a recent year (or years) using the waterway regions and commodity categories previously listed.

Nominations received in response to last year's **Federal Register** notice, published on July 16, 1998, have been retained for consideration. Renomination is not required but may be desirable.

e. Deadline for Nominations

All nominations must be received at the address shown above no later than August 31, 1998.

Gregory D. Showalter,
Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Notice of Intent To Grant an Exclusive or Partially Exclusive License to BONTEX

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.
ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: In compliance with 37 CFR 404 *et seq.*, the Department of the Army hereby gives notice of its intent to grant to BONTEX, a corporation having its principle place of business at One BONTEX Drive, Buena Vista, VA 24416-0751, an exclusive or partially exclusive license relative to an ARL patented elastomeric compound U.S. patent no. 5,264,290). Anyone wishing to object to the grant of this license has 60 days from the date of this notice to file written objections along with supporting evidence, if any.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael D. Rausa, U.S. Army Research Laboratory, Office of Research and Technology Applications, ATTN: AMSRL-CS-TT/Bldg. 433, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland 21005-5425, Telephone: (410) 278-5028.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: None.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Notice of Intent To Grant an Exclusive or Partially Exclusive License to M.A. Hanna Company

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.
ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: In compliance with 37 CFR *et seq.*, the Department of the Army hereby gives notice of its intent to grant to M.A. Hanna Company, a corporation having its principle place of business at 200 Public Square, Suite 36-5000, Cleveland, OH 44114, an exclusive or partially exclusive license relative to an ARL patented elastomeric company (U.S. patents no. 4,843,114 and 5,264,290). Anyone wishing to object to the granting of this license has 60 days from the date of this notice to file written objections along with supporting evidence, if any.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael D. Rausa, U.S. Army Research Laboratory, Office of Research and Technology Applications, ATTN:

AMSRL-CS-TT/Bldg. 433, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland 21005-5425, Telephone: (410) 278-5028.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: None.

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Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.
ACTION: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Notice.

SUMMARY: The Acting Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 30, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address DWERFEL@OMB.EOP.GOV.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Acting Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5)