

in section 207.24 of the Commission's rules, and posthearing briefs, which must conform with the provisions of section 207.67 of the Commission's rules. The deadline for filing posthearing briefs is June 5, 2000; witness testimony must be filed no later than three days before the hearing. In addition, any person who has not entered an appearance as a party to the review may submit a written statement of information pertinent to the subject of the review on or before June 5, 2000. On June 28, 2000, the Commission will make available to parties all information on which they have not had an opportunity to comment. Parties may submit final comments on this information on or before June 30, 2000, but such final comments must not contain new factual information and must otherwise comply with section 207.68 of the Commission's rules. All written submissions must conform with the provisions of section 201.8 of the Commission's rules; any submissions that contain BPI must also conform with the requirements of sections 201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules. The Commission's rules do not authorize filing of submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means.

In accordance with sections 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the Commission's rules, each document filed by a party to the reviews must be served on all other parties to the reviews (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

Authority: These reviews are being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to section 207.62 of the Commission's rules.

By order of the Commission.

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Donna R. Koehnke,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act and the Solid Waste Disposal Act

Notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree in the action entitled *United States v. Ambroid Company, Inc.*, Civil Action No. 97-11377-JLT,

was lodged on January 13, 2000, with the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts. The proposed consent decree resolves the claims of the United States against J. Frank Strauss and Robert M. Kuzara in a complaint filed against these parties, and several others, pursuant to Section 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. § 9607. In the complaint, which was filed on June 17, 1997, the United States sought the recovery of past unreimbursed response costs incurred by the United States in connection with a drum removal action performed at the Yankee Chemical Superfund Site, located at 600 West Water Street, in Taunton, Massachusetts (the "Site"). The settlement also resolves the claims of the United States against Bank Hapoalim, B.M., a third-party defendant in the action. Pursuant to the proposed settlement, the Settling Defendants will reimburse the EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund in the amount of \$50,000. The United States has provided a covenant not to sue under Sections 106 and 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9606 and 9607, as well as pursuant to Section 7003 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, 42 U.S.C. § 6973, with respect to the site.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed consent decree. Any comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Ambroid Company, Inc.*, DOJ Ref. Number 90-11-3-1747. Commenters may request an opportunity for a public meeting in the affected area, in accordance with Section 7003(d) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, 42 U.S.C. § 6973(d).

The proposed consent decree may be examined at EPA Region 1, located at One Congress Street, Suite 1100, Boston, MA 02114 (contact Peter DeCambre, 617-918-1890). A copy of the proposed consent decree may be obtained by mail from the Department of Justice Consent Decree Library, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, D.C. 20044. In requesting a copy, please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of

\$7.25 (25 cents per page reproduction costs).

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Oil Pollution Act of 1990

Notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree in the action entitled *United States v. Amity Products Carriers, Inc.*, Civil Action No. 00-11-P-H, was lodged on January 7, 2000, with the United States District Court for the District of Maine. The proposed consent decree resolves the claims of the United States under Section 1002(b)(2)(A) of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 ("OPA"), 33 U.S.C. § 2702(b)(2)(A), against Amity Products Carriers, Inc. ("Settling Defendant"), in connection with the oil spill that occurred, on September 27, 1996, as a result of the collision of the Tank Vessel *Julie N* with the Million Dollar Bridge spanning the Fore River from Portland to South Portland, Maine, which resulted in the discharge of oil into the Fore River. The proposed consent decree also resolves the claims of the United States against Maritime Overseas Corporation, OSG Ship Management, Inc., as well as the officers, directors, and employees of those companies, as well as of the Settling Defendant, to the extent that their liability arises from actions taken in their official capacities as officers, directors, and employees of these corporations. The proposed settlement resolves the claims filed in a complaint on January 7, 2000. The complaint alleges, pursuant to Section 1002(b)(2)(A) of OPA, 33 U.S.C. § 2702(b)(2)(A), that Settling Defendant, the owner of the *Julie N* at the time of the spill, is liable for damages for injury to, destruction of, loss of, or loss of use of, natural resources, including the reasonable costs of assessing the damage. The proposed consent decree also resolves the claims of the State of Maine set forth in a similar complaint filed on January 7, 2000. *See State of Maine v. Amity Products Carriers, Inc.*, Civil Action No. 00-12-P-H.

Pursuant to the proposed consent decree, the Settling Defendant will make a payment of \$1 million to the *Julie N* Oil Spill Restoration Account, which shall be used by Federal and State natural resource trustees to plan,