

**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE****Antitrust Division****Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Joint Venture Under ATP Award No. 70NAB4H3055**

Notice is hereby given that, on October 20, 2004, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), the Joint Venture Under ATP Award No. 70NAB4H3055 has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) The identities of the parties to the venture 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 to the venture are: The Dow Chemical Company, Midland, MI and Veeco Metrology, LLC, Santa Barbara, CA. The nature and objectives of the venture are to develop high speed atomic force microscope capabilities for quantitative nanomechanical measurements.

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**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE****Antitrust Division****Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Mobile Enterprise Alliance, Inc.**

Notice is hereby given that, on September 30, 2004, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), Mobile Enterprise Alliance, 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, Intellisync Corporation, San Jose, CA has been added as a party to this venture. Also, Symbian Ltd.,

London, United Kingdom has been dropped 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 Mobile Enterprise Alliance, Inc. intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On June 24, 2004, Mobile Enterprise Alliance, 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 on July 23, 2004 (69 FR 44062).

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**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE****Antitrust Division****Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—MPLS and Frame Relay Alliance**

Notice is hereby given that, on September 23, 2004, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), MPLS and Frame Relay Alliance ("MFA") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the name and principal place of business of the standards development organization and (2) the nature and scope of its standards development activities. 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 name and principal place of business of the standards development organization is: MPLS and Frame Relay Alliance, Fremont, CA. The nature and scope of MFA's standards development activities are: (1) Serving as a meeting ground for companies that are creating and deploying products that implement MPLS, or services that depend on the capabilities introduced by MPLS and its associated technologies; (2) identifying, selecting, augmenting, as appropriate, and publishing MPLS implementation agreements drawn from appropriate national and international, defacto, and de jure standards; (3) identifying,

selecting, augmenting, as appropriate, and publishing frame relay implementation agreements drawn from appropriate national and international, defacto, and de jure standards; (4) promoting/fostering the measurement, demonstration and testing of frame relay products in order to further compatibility and interoperability; (5) conducting cooperative research; (6) developing proposals to be made to appropriate national and international standards bodies in order to further system compatibility and interoperability; and (7) developing publications and information materials. "Implementation agreement(s)" shall mean specifications, protocols, system architectures and other similar guidelines related to multi-protocol label switching and/or frame relay technologies that may be developed, adopted, published or otherwise made available to the public by the Corporation.

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**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE****Antitrust Division****Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—National Electrical Contractors Association**

Notice is hereby given that, on October 8, 2004, 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 Electrical Contractors Association ("NECA") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the name the principal place of business of the standards development organization and (2) the nature and scope of its standards development activities. 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 name and principal place of business of the standards development organization is: National Electrical Contractors Association, Bethesda, MD. The nature and scope of NECA's standards development activities are: NECA, in partnership with other industry organizations, has developed