

IRELAND; Wavecrest, Eden Prairie, MN; Xelerated, Stockholm, SWEDEN; and Zarlink, San Diego, CA have been dropped as parties to this venture. Multilink Technology, Somerset, NJ has merged into Vitesse Semiconductor, Camarillo, CA.

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 Optical Internetworking Forum intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On October 5, 1998, Optical Internetworking Forum 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 January 29, 1999 (64 FR 4709).

The last notification was filed with the Department on July 23, 2003. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act on August 29, 2003 (68 FR 52056).

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

#### Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Spoken Dialogue Interfaces for Cars

Notice is hereby given that, on October 3, 2003, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), Spoken Dialogue Interfaces for Cars 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, The Board of Trustees of the Leland Stanford Junior University, Palo Alto, CA; and SRI-International, Speech Technology and Research Lab, Menlo Park, CA have been added as parties 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 Spoken

Dialogue Interfaces for Cars intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On July 4, 2003, Spoken Dialogue Interfaces for Cars 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 September 8, 2003 (68 FR 52959).

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

#### Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—VSI Alliance

Notice is hereby given that, on October 10, 2003, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), VSI Alliance 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, Richard Brown (individual member), Ann Arbor, MI; Ramesh Chandra (individual member), San Diego, CA; LTRIM Technologies, Inc., Laval, Quebec, CANADA; Michael McCorquodale (individual member), Ann Arbor, MI; Morpho Technologies, Irvine, CA; and Signal Technologies AG, Unterhaching, GERMANY have been added as parties to this venture.

Also, 0-In Design Automation, Inc., San Jose, CA; Beijing Hongsi Electronic Technology Co., Ltd., Hai Dian, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA; Global UniChip Corp., Hsinchu Science Park, TAIWAN; Intellitech Corp., Durham, NH; NOKIA, Tokyo, JAPAN; NurLogic Design, Inc., San Diego, CA; Cyril Rayan (individual member), San Jose, CA; and X-Vein, Tokyo, JAPAN have been dropped as parties 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 VSI Alliance intends to file additional written notification disclosing all changes in membership.

On November 29, 1996, VSI Alliance 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 March 4, 1997 (62 FR 9812).

The last notification was filed with the Department on July 9, 2003. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on August 29, 2003 (68 FR 44367).

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

#### Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—XSEC Consortium

Notice is hereby given that, on October 1, 2003, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), XSEC Consortium 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 plaintiff to actual damages under specified circumstances. Pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act, the identities of the parties are Varian Medical Systems, Inc., Mountain View, CA; and Palo Alto Research Center (PARC), Palo Alto, CA. The nature and objectives of the venture are to develop two types of novel, high performance, low cost x-ray detectors, first for diffraction scanning of checked bags for explosives and contraband, and second for computed tomography (CT) scanning of large seaborne cargo containers. The first type of detector will be a flat panel photoconductor x-ray detector of approximate area 5 cm x 25 cm capable of detecting individual x-ray photons and measuring their energy. These detectors will be used to build a subscale laboratory test apparatus for a diffraction-based explosive detector suitable for later scale-up to a size appropriate for airport screening of checked bags. The second type of detector will be a large area thin film transistor (TFT) panel detector for detecting the flux or x-ray photons incident upon it but without energy