

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act**

Notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree in *United States, et al. v. Montrose Chemical Corporation of California, et al.*, No. CV 90-3122-R (C.D. Cal), was lodged on December 19, 2000 with the United States District Court for the Central District of California. The consent decree resolves claims under Section 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. 9607, as amended, brought against defendants Montrose Chemical Corporation of California ("Montrose"), Aventis CropScience USA, Inc. ("Aventis"), Chris-Craft Industries, Inc. ("Chris-Craft"), and Atkemix Thirty Seven, Inc. ("Atkemix-37") (Collectively, the "DDT Defendants"), for damages for injuries to natural resources caused by releases of DDT from the Montrose plant to the Pacific Ocean, and associated contamination of sediments on the Palos Verdes shelf in the vicinity of Los Angeles, California, and for response costs incurred and to be incurred by the United States Environmental Protection Agency in connection with responding to the release and threatened release of hazardous substances at the same area.

The proposed consent decree provides that the DDT Defendants will pay \$73 million to resolve their liability to the United States and State of California for natural resource damages and response costs as described above. The consent decree includes a covenant not to sue by the United States under Sections 106 and 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. 9606 and 9607, and under Section 7003 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), 42 U.S.C. 6973.

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. Commenters may request an opportunity for a public meeting in the affected area, in accordance with Section 7003(d) of the RCRA. 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, et al. v. Montrose Chemical Corporation of California, et al.*, No. CV 90-3122-R (C.D. Cal), DOJ

Ref. #90-11-3-159 and DOJ Ref. #90-11-3-511.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, Central District of California, Federal Building, 300 North Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012; the Region IX Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. A copy of the proposed consent decree may be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, Post Office Box 7611, Washington, D.C. 20044. In requesting copies please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$13.50 (25 cents per page reproduction costs), payable to the Consent Decree Library.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act**

Consistent with Departmental policy, 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that a proposed Consent Decree in *United States and State of Hawaii v. University of Hawaii*, Civil Action Number Cv 00-00806 DAE BMK, was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of Hawaii on December 18, 2000. On the same day, the United States and the State of Hawaii filed a Complaint pursuant to Section 3008 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), 42 U.S.C. 6928, and Hawaii Revised Statutes Chapter 342J-9 against the University of Hawaii (UH), alleging violations of federal and state hazardous waste laws at four of the University's facilities. The violations included operating hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal (TSD) facilities without a permit or interim status; failing to mark stored containers as "Hazardous Waste"; failing to mark the accumulation start dates on containers in storage facilities; and failing to determine whether hazardous wastes were being stored in various storage facilities.

The proposed Consent Decree, which settles the liability of UH for the violations alleged in the Complaint, provides that UH will undertake extensive injunctive relief, pay a civil penalty of \$505,000 to be divided between the United States and the State and perform a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) valued at

\$1.2 million. Under the SEP, UH will investigate and implement pollution prevention or waste minimization projects on its campuses.

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. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, U.S. Department of Justice, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044; and refer to *United States and State of Hawaii v. University of Hawaii*, DOJ Ref. #90-7-1-06130.

The proposed settlement agreement may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, PJKK Federal Building, 300 Ala Moana Blvd., Honolulu, Hawaii and at the Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. 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, DC 20044. In requesting a copy please refer to the referenced case and enclose a check in the amount of \$12.25 (25 cents per page reproduction costs), payable to the Consent Decree Library.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**Immigration and Naturalization Service****Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

ACTION: Notice of information collection under review: Application for replacement/initial nonimmigrant arrival-departure document.

The Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on October 31, 2000 at 65 FR 64989, allowing for a 60-day public comment period. No public comment was received by the INS on this proposed information collection.