

DATE AND TIME: October 25, 2000
(Following Regular Commission Meeting).

PLACE: Room 2C 888 First Street, N.E.
Washington, DC 20426.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Docket No. IN01-1-000, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation, Columbia Gulf Transmission Company, Columbia Energy Services Corporation.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Telephone (202) 208-0400.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6884-2]

Proposed Administrative Cost Recovery Settlement Under Section 122(h) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; Silvertone Plating Company Superfund Site

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; Request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 122(i) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1984, as amended (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9622(i), notice is hereby given of a proposed administrative settlement concerning the Silvertone Plating Company hazardous waste site located at 7 Emerick Street, just south of the Conrail Railroad tracks, in Ypsilanti Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan. The EPA Superfund Division Director, Region 5, signed the agreement on August 17, 2000. The settlement resolves an EPA claim under section 107(a) of CERCLA against Mr. Fred Wilcox, a past owner and operator of the Site, for the costs EPA incurred in conducting a removal action at the Site. The settlement requires Mr. Wilcox to pay \$18,500 to the Hazardous Substance Superfund, as partial reimbursement of EPA's costs of \$222,025.90. In exchange, EPA would provide a covenant not to sue Mr. Wilcox, and the contribution protection provided by Sections 113(f)(2) and 122(h)(4) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9613(f)(2) and 9622(h)(4). The

settlement amount is based primarily upon Mr. Wilcox's ability to pay. The Site is not on the NPL and no further response action is anticipated at this time.

For thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice, the Agency will receive written comments relating to the settlement. The Agency will consider all comments received and may modify or withdraw its consent to the settlement if comments received disclose facts or considerations which indicate that the settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate. **DATES:** Comments must be provided on or before November 22, 2000.

ADDRESSES: The proposed settlement agreement and the Agency's response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at the Superfund Records Center, 7th floor, U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604. A copy of the proposed settlement agreement may be obtained from Michael J. McClary, Office of Regional Counsel, (C-14J), U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590; telephone (312) 886-7163. Comments should reference the Silvertone Plating Company Superfund Site and should be addressed to Michael J. McClary, Office of Regional Counsel, (C-14J), U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael J. McClary at the address specified immediately above; telephone (312) 886-7163.

Dated: September 25, 2000.

Margaret Guerriero,
Acting Director, Superfund Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6890-1]

Clean Water Act Class II: Proposed Administrative Penalty Assessments and Opportunities to Comment Regarding the Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc., Honolulu and Waiau Generating Stations, Proceedings Under Clean Water Act Section 309(g)(1), (2)(B) and 40 CFR 22.13(b)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA is providing notice of two proposed administrative penalty assessments for alleged violations of the

Clean Water Act (the "Act"). EPA is also providing notice of opportunity to comment on the proposed assessments.

EPA is authorized under section 309(g) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. 1319(g), to assess a civil penalty after providing the person subject to the penalty notice of the proposed penalty and the opportunity for a hearing, and after providing interested persons notice of the proposed penalty and a reasonable opportunity to comment on its issuance. Under section 309(g), any person who without authorization discharges a pollutant to a navigable water, as those terms are defined in section 502 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. 1362, may be assessed a penalty in a "Class II" administrative penalty proceeding.

Class II proceedings under section 309(g) are conducted in accordance with the "Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties, Issuance of Compliance or Corrective Action Orders, and the Revocation, Termination or Suspension of Permits" (part 22), 40 CFR part 22. The procedures through which the public may submit written comment on a proposed Class II order or participate in a Class II proceeding, and the procedures by which a respondent may request a hearing, are set forth in part 22. The deadline for submitting public comment on a proposed Class II order is forty (40) days after publication of this notice.

On September 29, 2000, EPA filed with Danielle Carr, Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. EPA, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105, (415) 744-1391, the following two Consent Agreements:

In the Matter of Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc., Honolulu Generating Station, Docket No. CWA-9-2000-0009; and

In the Matter of Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc., Waiau Generating Station, Docket No. CWA-9-2000-0010.

For the alleged violations set forth in the first Consent Agreement, the Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. ("Respondent") agrees to pay to the United States a civil penalty of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) for violations of NPDES Permit No. HI0000027 and section 301(a) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. 1311(a), at the Honolulu Generating Station in Honolulu, Hawaii.

For the alleged violations set forth in the second Consent Agreement, Respondent agrees to pay to the United States a civil penalty of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) for violations of NPDES Permit No. HI0000604 and section 301(a) of the

Act, 33 U.S.C. 1311(a), at the Waiau Generating Station in Pearl City, Hawaii.

Procedures by which the public may comment on a proposed Class II penalty or participate in a Class II penalty proceeding are set forth in the Consolidated Rules. The deadline for submitting public comment on a proposed Class II penalty is forty days after issuance of public notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Persons wishing to receive a copy of EPA's Consolidated Rules, review the Complaints or other documents filed in these proceedings, comment upon the proposed assessments, or otherwise participate in the proceedings should contact Danielle Carr, Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. EPA, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105, (415) 744-1391. The administrative records for both of these proceedings are located in the EPA Regional Office identified above, and the files will be open for public inspection during normal business hours. All information submitted by the Respondent is available as part of the administrative records, subject to provisions of law restricting public disclosure of confidential information. In order to provide opportunity for public comment, EPA will issue no final orders assessing a penalty in these proceedings prior to forty (40) days after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: October 13, 2000.

Thomas Huettelman,

Acting Director, Water Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6889-4]

Regulatory Reinvention (XL) Pilot Projects

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Availability of Final Project Agreements and related documents for twenty-two XL Projects: United States Postal Service (USPS)—Denver; Mayport Naval Station—Environmental Reinvestment (ENVVEST); Steele County, MN XL Communities (XLC); Georgia-Pacific Black Liquor Gasification System; International Paper (IP) Androscoggin Mill—Effluent Improvements; Progressive Insurance Company—Pay As You Drive Auto Insurance; International Business Machines (IBM)—Essex Junction, Vermont; Labs 21—Environmental Performance at

Laboratories; Project XLC Phase I (Planning); Clermont County, OH; Kodak Company Pollution Prevention; PPG Industries, Inc.; Yolo County Accelerated Anaerobic & Aerobic Composting (Bioreactor); Buncombe County Leachate Recirculation/Gas Recovery (Bioreactor) Landfill; Autoliv Automobile Safety Products, U.S.A.; Ortho-McNeil Pharmaceutical—Laboratory-Scale High-Temperature Catalytic Oxidation Process to Treat Low-Level Mixed Wastes; State of Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) Coal Remining and Reclamation; National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) White Sands Test Facility (WSTF); Narragansett Bay Commission (NBC) Pretreatment (hereafter “NBC”); Puget Sound Naval Shipyard (PSNS) Phase I—ENVVEST; USA Waste of Virginia, Inc., and King George Landfills, Inc., wholly-owned subsidiaries of Waste Management, Inc., Bioreactor Systems; International Business Machines (IBM) East Fishkill Facility—F006 Sludge Recycling; and Lead-Safe Boston.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing the signing of the Project XL Final Project Agreements (FPAs) for the following XL, XLC, and ENVVEST Projects: United States Postal Service (USPS)—Denver (hereafter “USPS”); Mayport Naval Station—ENVVEST (hereafter “Mayport”); Steele County, MN XL Communities (XLC) (hereafter “Steele County”); Georgia-Pacific Black Liquor Gasification System (hereafter “Georgia-Pacific”); International Paper (IP) Androscoggin Mill—Effluent Improvements (hereafter “IP—Effluent Improvements”); Progressive Insurance Company—Pay As You Drive Auto Insurance (hereafter “Progressive Insurance”); International Business Machines (IBM)—Essex Junction, Vermont (hereafter “IBM—Vermont”); Labs 21—Environmental Performance at Laboratories (hereafter “Labs 21”); Project XLC Phase I (Planning): Clermont County, OH (hereafter “Clermont”); Kodak Company Pollution Prevention (hereafter “Kodak”); PPG Industries, Inc. (hereafter “PPG”); Yolo County Accelerated Anaerobic & Aerobic Composting (Bioreactor) (hereafter “Yolo County”); Buncombe County Leachate Recirculation/Gas Recovery (Bioreactor) (hereafter “Buncombe County”); Autoliv Automobile Safety Products, U.S.A. (hereafter “Autoliv”); Ortho-McNeil Pharmaceutical—Laboratory-Scale High-Temperature Catalytic Oxidation Process to Treat Low-Level Mixed Wastes (hereafter “Ortho-McNeil”); State of Pennsylvania Department of

Environmental Protection (PADEP) Coal Remining and Reclamation (hereafter “Pennsylvania Coal”); National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) White Sands Test Facility (WSTF) (hereafter “NASA WSTF”); Narragansett Bay Commission (NBC) Pretreatment (hereafter “NBC”); Puget Sound Naval Shipyard (PSNS) Phase I—ENVVEST (hereafter “PSNS”); USA Waste of Virginia, Inc., and King George Landfills, Inc., wholly-owned subsidiaries of Waste Management, Inc., Bioreactor Systems (hereafter “Virginia Landfills”); International Business Machines (IBM) East Fishkill Facility—F006 Sludge Recycling (hereafter “IBM Fishkill”); and Lead-Safe Boston.

DATES: The FPAs were signed on the following dates: USPS on May 22, 2000; Mayport on May 30, 2000; Steele County on May 31, 2000; Georgia-Pacific on May 31, 2000; IP—Effluent Improvements on June 29, 2000; Progressive Insurance on July 27, 2000; IBM—Vermont on July 31, 2000; Labs 21 on September 7, 2000; Clermont on September 6, 2000; Kodak on September 14, 2000; PPG on September 14, 2000; Yolo County on September 14, 2000; Buncombe County on September 18, 2000; Autoliv on September 20, 2000; Ortho-McNeil on September 22, 2000; Pennsylvania Coal on September 22, 2000; NASA WSTF on September 22, 2000; NBC on September 25, 2000; PSNS on September 25, 2000; Virginia Landfills on September 29, 2000; IBM Fishkill on September 29, 2000; and Lead-Safe Boston on October 2, 2000.

ADDRESSES: To obtain copies or to make inquiries about the Final Project Agreements, Fact Sheets, or public comments received contact the following individuals: Mary Byrne, 303-312-6491, U.S. EPA Region VIII, 8P-R, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466 (byrne.mary@epa.gov) for the USPS XL Project; Michelle Cook, 404-562-8674, U.S. EPA Region IV, 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3104 (cook.michelle@epa.gov) for the Mayport ENVVEST Project; Abeer Hashem, 312-886-1331, U.S. EPA Region V, WC-15J, 77 West Jackson Blvd, Chicago, Illinois 60604-3507 (hashem.abeer@epa.gov) for the Steele County XLC Project; Steven J. Donohue, 215-814-3215, U.S. EPA Region III, 3OR00, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029 (donohue.steven@epa.gov) for the Georgia-Pacific XL Project; Chris Rascher, 617-918-1834, U.S. EPA Region I, SPP, 1 Congress Street, Suite 1100, Boston, Massachusetts 02114-2023 (rascher.chris@epa.gov) for the