DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

Manufacturer of Controlled Substances; Notice of Application

Pursuant to section 1301.33(a) of title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this is notice that on January 9, 2001, Stepan Company, Natural Products Department, 100 W. Hunter Avenue, Maywood, New Jersey 07607, made application by renewal to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for registration as a bulk manufacturer of the basic classes of controlled substances listed below:

Drug	Schedule
Cocaine (9041)	II
Benzoylecgonine (9180)	II

The firm plans to manufacture bulk controlled substances for distribution to its customers.

Any other such applicant and any person who is presently registered with DEA to manufacture such substances may file comments or objections to the issuance of the proposed registration.

Any such comments or objections may be addressed, in quintuplicate, to the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, United States Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20537, Attention: DEA Federal Register Representative (CCR), and must be filed no later than September 21, 2001.

Dated: July 13, 2001.

Laura M. Nagel,

Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration.

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LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Copyright Office

[Docket No. 2000-9 CARP DTRA1&2]

Digital Performance Rights in Sound Recordings and Ephemeral Recordings

AGENCY: Copyright Office, Library of Congress.

ACTION: Initiation of arbitration and announcement of the schedule for the proceeding.

SUMMARY: The Copyright Office of the Library of Congress is announcing the initiation of and schedule for the 180-

day arbitration period to set the rates and terms for two compulsory licenses. One license allows certain eligible nonsubscription services to perform sound recordings publicly by means of digital audio transmissions and the other allows a transmitting organization to make an ephemeral recording of a sound recording for the purpose of making a permitted public performance. **EFFECTIVE DATE:** July 23, 2001.

ADDRESSES: All hearings and meetings for the proceeding to set rates and terms for the sections 112 and 114 licenses shall take place in the James Madison Memorial Building, Room LM-414, First and Independence Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20540.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David O. Carson, General Counsel, or Gina Giuffreda, CARP Specialist, P.O. Box 70977, Southwest Station, Washington, D.C. 20024. Telephone: (202) 707–8380. Telefax: (202) 252–3423.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

This notice fulfills the requirement of 37 CFR 251.64 and 17 U.S.C. 803(a)(1). Section 251.64 of the CARP rules, 37 CFR provides that:

After the end of the 45-day precontroversy discovery period, and after the Librarian has ruled on all motions and objections filed under § 251.45, the Librarian will determine the sufficiency of the petition, including, where appropriate, whether one or more of the petitioners' interests are "significant." If the Librarian determines that a petition is significant, he or she will cause to be published in the **Federal Register** a declaration of a controversy accompanied by a notice of initiation of an arbitration proceeding.

On November 27, 1998, the Library of Congress published a notice, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. 112(e)(4) and 114(f)(2)(A), initiating a voluntary negotiation period for the purpose of establishing rates and terms for the digital public performance of sound recordings license (as it pertains to webcasters) under section 114 and for the making of ephemeral copies in furtherance of a digital public performance under section 112 for the period beginning on October 28, 1998, and ending on December 31, 2000. 63 FR 65555 (November 27, 1998). No voluntary agreements were reached. On July 23, 1999, the Recording Industry of America, Inc. ("RIAA") filed a petition in accordance with 17 U.S.C. 112(e)(5) and 114(f)(2)(B) to convene a Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel ("CARP") for the purpose of setting rates and terms for these licenses.

After the filing of the petition, the Library requested the filing of notices of

intent to participate in the proceeding and set the schedule for the 45-day precontroversy discovery period. 64 FR 52108 (September 27, 1999). After the filing of notices of intent to participate and upon a party's request to extend the filing date for direct cases, the Library vacated the schedule set forth in the September 27, 1999, notice. See Order, Docket No. 99–6 CARP DTRA (December 22, 1999).

During the pendency of the proceeding, the Library published a notice, in accordance with 17 U.S.C. 112(e)(6) and 114(f)(2)(C)(i)(II), initiating a voluntary negotiation period for the purpose of establishing rates and terms for the two licenses for the period 2001 and 2002. 65 FR 2194 (January 13, 2000). On August 8, 2000, the RIAA again filed a petition to convene a CARP to set these rates. RIAA asserted that it has a significant interest in such a proceeding because it has "established a collective that is comprised of more than 200 different recording labels and artists, including all of the major record companies in the United States * * [and its] members own the copyrights in approximately 90% of the legitimate sound recordings sold in the United States." Petition at 2.

Prior to the establishment of a new precontroversy discovery schedule for the 1998–2000 proceeding and the establishment of a precontroversy discovery schedule for the 2001–2002 proceeding, the Library consolidated the two proceedings before a single CARP and assigned a single docket number applicable to both proceedings. Order, Docket Nos. 99–6 CARP DTRA and 2000–3 CARP DTRA2 (December 4, 2000).

The Library has conducted a precontroversy discovery period under § 251.45 of the rules. See 65 FR 77394 (December 11, 2000); Orders, Docket No. 2000-9 CARP DTRA1&2 (January 18, 2001, and March 16, 2001). While the 45-day precontroversy discovery period is complete, a few motions are pending before the Library. However, the disposition of these motions will in no way affect the Librarian's determination regarding the sufficiency of the petitions filed in this proceeding; and the motions will be ruled upon in advance of July 30, 2001, the beginning of the 180-day arbitration period. Consequently, the Librarian is announcing the initiation of this proceeding at this time so that the schedule of the proceeding may be published in the Federal Register within seven calendar days of the first meeting as required by § 251.11(b) of the rules.

Determination of Petitioner's Significant Interest in Proceeding

The Librarian has considered the petitions of the RIAA and determines that RIAA has a significant interest in the CARP proceedings to establish the rates and terms of the section 112 and 114 licenses for the periods 1998–2000 and 2001-2002. RIAA has set up a collective comprised of more than 200 different recording labels and artists, including all of the major record companies in the United States, and its members own the copyrights in approximately 90% of the legitimate sound recordings sold in the United States. Petition at 2 (August 8, 2000). Further, the former Copyright Royalty Tribunal recognized that RIAA had a significant interest in copyright compulsory license rate proceedings affecting the recording industry. See Recording Industry Association of America v. Copyright Royalty Tribunal, 662 F.2d 1 (D.C. 1981) (17 U.S.C. 115 license). Consequently, the Librarian determines that RIAA has a significant interest in this proceeding within the meaning of 17 U.S.C. 803(a)(1).

Selection of Arbitrators

In accordance with § 251.6 of the CARP rules, the arbitrators have been selected for this proceeding. They are:

The Honorable Eric E. Van Loon (Chairperson)

The Honorable Jeffrey S. Gulin The Honorable Curtis E. von Kann

Initiation of the Proceeding

Pursuant to § 251.64 of the CARP rules, the Librarian is formally announcing the existence of a controversy as to the establishment of rates and terms for the digital public performance of sound recordings license (as it pertains to webcasters) under 17 U.S.C. 114 and for the making of ephemeral copies in furtherance of a digital public performance under 17 U.S.C. 112 and is initiating an arbitration proceeding under chapter 8 of title 17 of the United States Code to set the rates and terms for these licenses. The arbitration proceeding commences on July 30, 2001, and runs for a period of 180 days. The arbitrators shall file their written report with the Librarian by January 28, 2002, the end of the 180-day period, in accordance with § 251.53 of the rules.

Schedule for Proceeding

Section 251.11(b) of the regulations governing the Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panels ("CARPs"), 37 CFR subchapter B, provides that: At the beginning of each proceeding, the CARP shall develop the original schedule of the proceeding which shall be published in the **Federal Register** at least seven calendar days in advance of the first meeting. Such announcement shall state the times, dates, and place of the meetings, the testimony to be heard, whether any of the meetings, or any portion of a meeting, is to be closed, and if so, which ones, and the name and telephone number of the person to contact for further information.

This notice fulfills the requirements of § 251.11(b) for the proceeding to set rates and terms for the digital public performance of sound recordings license (as it pertains to webcasters) under 17 U.S.C. 114 and for the making of ephemeral copies in furtherance of a digital public performance under 17 U.S.C. 112.

On June 25, 2001, the parties to this proceeding met with the arbitrators for the purposes of discussing the mechanism for payment of the arbitrators and of setting a schedule for this proceeding. At that meeting, the parties and the arbitrators agreed to the following schedule:

Opening Statements: July 30, 2001. Presentation of Direct Cases: July 31-September 13, 2001.

Witnesses for the Copyright Owners and Performers: ¹

July 31–August 2, 2001: Cary Sherman, Hilary Rosen, David Altschul, Linda McLaughlin, Paul Katz, Charles Ciongoli.

August 6–10, 2001: James Griffin, Ronald Wilcox, Paul Vidich, LaVerne Evans, Jay Samit, Lawrence Kenswil, Anthony Pipitone, Gregory Hessinger, Gary Himelfarb.

August 13–16, 2001: Jennifer Warnes, Kevin Dorsey, Harold Bradley, Steven Marks, Thomas Nagle, Robert Yerman, Steven Wildman.

Witnesses for Broadcasters/ Webcasters;² DMX Music, Inc.; AEI Music Network; and National Public Radio ("NPR"):

For Broadcasters: Dan Halyburton (Susquehanna Radio Corp.), Stephen F. Fisher (Entercom Communication Corp.), Dan Mason (Infinity Broadcasting Corp.), James Patrick Donahue (Clear Channel Radio Group), Joe Davis (Salem).

For Webcasters: Scott Mills (BET Interactive), Joe Lyons (Comedy Central), Michael Peterson (Coollink Broadcast Network), Tuhin Roy (Echo Networks, Inc.), Robert D. Roback (Launch Media, Inc.), David Goldberg (Launch Media, Inc.), Rob Reid (Listen.com, Inc.), John O. Jeffrey (Live365, Inc.), Brad Porteus (MTVi Radio of the MTVi Group, Inc.), Quincy McCoy (MTVi Group), Robert Ohlweiler (MusicMatch, Inc.), David Bean (MusicMatch, Inc.), David Pakman (Myplay, Inc.), Michael Wise (NetRadio Corp.), Charlie Moore (RadioActive Media Partners, Inc.), Nathan W. Pearson, Jr. (RadioWave.com, Inc.), Fred McIntyre (AOL Music/Spinner), Diego Ruiz (Univision Online, Inc.), Clifton Gardiner (Westwind Media.com, Inc.), David Juris (XACT Radio LLC), David Fagin (singer, songwriter, recording and performing artist), Alanis Morissette (singer, songwriter, recording and performing artist).

For Background Music: 3 Barry Knittel (AEI Music Network, Inc.)

Experts: William W. Fisher III, Jonathan Zittrain, Adam B. Jaffe, Michael Fine, Paul William Kempton, Michael Mazis.

For NPR: Kenneth P. Stern (NPR), Dr. Jane Murdoch (Charles River Associates), Dr. John Woodbury (Charles River Associates).

Filing of Written Rebuttal Testimony: October 4, 2001.

Presentation of Rebuttal Cases: October 15–20, 22–25, 2001.

Filing of Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law: November 14, 2001

Filing of Replies to Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law: December 3, 2001.

Oral Argument: December 7, 2001. Close of 180-day period: January 28, 2002.

Opening statements will begin at 1 p.m. on July 30. Thereafter, all hearings will begin at 9:00 a.m.

At this time, the parties have not moved to close any portion of the proceeding to the public. Further refinements to the schedule will be announced in open meetings and issued as orders to the parties participating in the proceeding. All changes will be noted in the docket file of the proceeding, as required by the Copyright Office regulations governing the administration of CARP proceedings. 37 CFR 251.11(c).

¹ "Copyright Owners and Performers" consist of the Recording Industry Association of America, the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists, the American Federation of Musicians of the United States and Canada, and the Association for Independent Music.

² "Broadcasters/Webcasters" consist of Clear Channel Communications, Inc.; the National Religious Broadcasters Music License Committee; Salem Communications Corp.; Bet.com; Comedy Central; Infinity Broadcasting Corp.; Launch Media, Inc.; Listen.com; Live365.com; the MTVi Group LLC; MusicMatch, Inc.; Myplay, Inc.; Netradio Corp; RadioActive Media Partners, Inc.; Radiowave.com, Inc.; Spinner Networks, Inc.; Susquehanna Radio Corp.; Univision Online; Westwind; and XACT Radio Network, LLC.

³ "Background Music" consist of AEI Music Network, Inc. and DMX Music, Inc.

Dated: July 18, 2001.

Marilyn J. Kretsinger,

Assistant General Counsel.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is announcing plans to request renewed clearance of this collection. In accordance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are providing opportunity for public comment on this action. After obtaining and considering public comment, NSF will prepare the submission requesting OMB clearance of this collection for no longer than 3 years.

Comments are invited on: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. **DATES:** Written comments should be received by September 21, 2001 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding the information collection and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Suzanne Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Rm. 295, Arlington, VA 22230, or by e-mail to splimpto@nsf.gov.

considered to the extent practicable.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Suzanne Plimpton on (703) 292–7556 or send email to splimpto@nsf.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title of Collection: Survey of Industrial Research and Development

OMB Control No.: 3145–0027. Expiration Date of Approval: December 31, 2001.

1. Abstract

The proposed continuing information collection involves the estimation of the expenditures on research and development performed within the United States by industrial firms. A mail survey, the Survey of Industrial Research and Development, has been conducted annually since 1953. Industry accounts for over 70 percent of total U.S. R&D each year and since its inception, the survey has provided continuity of statistics on R&D expenditures by major industry groups and by source of funds. The survey is the industrial component of the NSF statistical program that seeks to "provide a central clearinghouse for the collection, interpretation, and analysis of data on the availability of, and the current and projected need for, scientific and technical resources in the United states, and to provide a source of information for policy formulation by other agencies of the Federal government" as mandated in the National Science Foundation Act of 1950. Statistics from the survey are published in NSF's annual publication series Research and Development in Industry. The proposed collection will continue the survey for three years.

2. Expected Respondents

The survey will be mailed to a statistical sample of approximately 24,200 companies to collect information on the amount and sources of funds for and character of R&D performed and contracted out by industrial firms, and information on sales and employment of the firms themselves.

3. Burden on the Public

To minimize burden, over 90-percent of the companies selected for the Survey of Industrial Research and Development are asked to respond to the Form RD-1A, the abbreviated version of the basic survey questionnaire, Form RD-1. Further, only companies with five paid employees or more are asked to participate in the survey and extensive use is made of the descriptive codes and information on the establishment list that is the source of the survey sample to avoid sampling firms in industries that traditionally do not perform R&D. NSF, with input from the Bureau of the Census, the collection and compiling agent for the survey, estimates that the average annual reporting and record

keeping burden on each Form RD-1A respondent will be 1 hour and on Form RD-1 respondents will be 18 hours. The total annual burden is estimated at 51,400 hours, calculated as follows:

RD-1A respondents: 22,600 respondents \times 1 response \times 1 burden Hour = 22,600 hours/year.

RD-1 respondents: 1,600 respondents \times 1 response \times 18 burden hours=28,800 hours/year.

All respondents: 22,600 + 28,800 = 51,400 burden hours/year during 2002, 2003, and 2004.

Dated: July 17, 2001.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

NSF Reports Clearance Officer.
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NORTHEAST DAIRY COMPACT COMMISSION

Notice of meeting

AGENCY: Northeast Dairy Compact Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Compact Commission will hold its regular monthly meeting to consider matters relating to administration and enforcement of the price regulation. This meeting will be held in Mystic, Connecticut, continuing the Commission's program of holding a meeting in each of the Compact states. In addition to receiving reports and recommendations of its standing Committees, the Commission will receive a number of informational reports about the impact of the overorder price regulation in Connecticut.

DATES: The meeting will begin at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, August 8, 2001.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Best Western Hotel, 9 Whitehall Avenue, Mystic, Connecticut 06355.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Daniel Smith, Executive Director, Northeast Dairy Compact Commission, 64 Main Street, Room 21, Montpelier, VT 05602. Telephone (802) 229–1941.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 7256.

Dated: July 17, 2001.

Daniel Smith,

Executive Director.

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