Instrumentarium, the pace and approach at which to disengage Visiontec has accelerated.

As Instrumentarium's subsidiary Spacelabs is being positioned to be sold, it has selectively and deliberately moved product from Visiontec, delayed and then cancelled orders that should have been produced by the terms of the manufacturing agreement. Instrumentarium has effectively and so stated that the manufacturing agreement was only a working document. These actions are preventing Visiontec the ability to pay back an obligation originally established with Spacelabs as well as preventing a recovery of the investment made by Visiontec.

As a result of Instrumentarium positioning Spacelabs in the most favorable position to be sold, some of that favorable positioning is coming at Visiontec's unwarranted expense. This is causing Visiontec cash flow and financial distress, severely damaging its ability to service its other customers, and a loss of fifty percent of its high-tech manufacturing work force.

It appears Instrumentarium's approach is to cause so much financial distress, that Visiontec becomes a non-viable company and thereby allowing them to remove Visiontec and the existing orders from the Spacelab books to better position Spacelabs for the prospective buyers.

Due to Visiontec's size, we would like to request assistance from the Department of Justice as to what kind of positive options may be available prior to approving the acquisition. We also request that the business practices of Instrumentarium's subsidiary Spacelabs dealing with Visiontec regarding the seven-year manufacturing agreement originally established with Spacelabs be reviewed.

Prior to completion of the acquisition approval by the Department of Justice, Visiontec would ask for suitable provisions to be established allowing Visiontec to remain viable for at least two years, otherwise the result is the company closes down.

Sincerely,

Rick L. Hansen,
President & CEO.

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c. Attorney General—State of Washington Chuck Cleveland. P.S.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission

Sunshine Act Meeting

January 20, 2004.

TIME AND DATE: 10 a.m., Thursday, January 29, 2004.

PLACE: Hearing Room, 9th Floor, 601 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERD: The Commission will consider and act upon the following in open session:

Secretary of Labor v. *Dacotah Cement*, Docket No. CENT 2001–218–M. (Issues include whether Dacotah Cement satisfied the task training requirements of 30 CFR 46.7(d) when it permitted two miners to replace a hydraulic hose on a losche mill.)

Any person attending this meeting who requires special accessibility features and/or auxiliary aids, such as sign language interpreters, must inform the Commission in advance of those needs. Subject to 29 CFR 2706.150(a)(3) and 2706.160(d).

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Jean H. Ellen,

Chief Docket Clerk.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 04–011]

Government-Owned Inventions, Available for Licensing

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of availability of inventions for licensing.

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are assigned to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, have been filed in the United States Patent and Trademark office, and are available for licensing.

DATES: January 29, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James McGroary, Patent Counsel, Marshall Space Flight Center, Mail Code LS01, Huntsville, AL 35812; telephone (256) 544–0013; fax (256) 544–0258.

NASA Case No. MFS–31490–1: Electrodynamic Tether;

NASA Case No. MFS–31814–1: Method for Producing Metal Lined, Composite Overwrapped Pressure Vessels;

NASA Case No. MFS–31815–1: Distributed Solid State Programmable Thermostat/Power Controller;

NASA Case No. MFS–31841–1: Material for Producing Composite Overwrapped Pressure Vessels That Are Impact Resistant and Suitable for Low Temperature Use;

NASA Case No. MFS–31944–1: Variable Distance Angular Symbology Reader;

NASA Case No. MFS–31952–1: Balanced Orifice Plate.

Dated: January 21, 2004.

Robert M. Stephens,

Deputy General Counsel.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 04–012]

Government-Owned Inventions, Available for Licensing

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of availability of inventions for licensing.

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are assigned to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, have been filed in the United States Patent and Trademark office, and are available for licensing.

DATES: January 29, 2004.

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NASA Case No. LAR–16499–1: Controlled Deposition and Alignment of Carbon Nanotubes;

NASA Case No. LAR–16539–1: Resonant Wingbeat Tuning Circuit Using Strain-Rate Feedback for Ornithoptic Micro Aerial Vehicles.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 04–013]

Government-Owned Inventions, Available for Licensing

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of availability of inventions for licensing.

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are assigned to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, have been filed in the United States Patent and Trademark office, and are available for licensing.

DATES: January 29, 2004.

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