

Venture to Perform Project Entitled Robotic Rehabilitation of Aging Water Pipelines ("Robotic Rehabilitation of Aging Water Pipelines") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the identities of the parties to the venture 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 plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances.

Pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act, the identities of the parties to the venture are: Fibrwrap Construction, Inc., Ontario, CA; Fyfe Company, LLC, San Diego, CA; and the University of California-Irvine, Irvine, CA. The general area of Robotic Rehabilitation of Aging Water Pipelines's planned activity is to develop a prototype robot to apply high-performance, low-cost carbon fiber reinforcement inside water transmission pipes, allowing trenchless repair and rehabilitation of aging pipelines.

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

#### **Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Cooperative Research Group On: Diesel After Treatment Accelerated Aging Cycles—Heavy Duty**

Notice is hereby given that, on February 23, 2010, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), Southwest Research Institute—Cooperative Research Group on Diesel After Treatment Accelerated Aging Cycles—Heavy-Duty ("DAAAC-HD") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership. 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, Caterpillar Inc., Peoria, IL has been added as a party 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 remains open, and DAAAC-HD intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On February 2, 2009, DAAAC-HD 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 February 2, 2009 (74 FR 8813).

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

#### **Notice Pursuant to The National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—American Society of Mechanical Engineers**

Notice is hereby given that, on February 25, 2010, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), the American Society of Mechanical Engineers ("ASME") has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing additions or changes to its standards development activities. 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, since November 11, 2009, ASME has published six new standards, initiated three new standards activities, and withdrawn two standards within the general nature and scope of ASME's standards development activities, as specified in its original notification. More detail regarding these changes can be found at [www.asme.org](http://www.asme.org).

On September 15, 2004, ASME 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 October 13, 2004 (69 FR 60895).

The last notification was filed with the Department on November 13, 2009. A notice was published in the **Federal**

**Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on December 9, 2009 (74 FR 65156).

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

#### **Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—IMS Global Learning Consortium, Inc.**

Notice is hereby given that, on February 16, 2010, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* ("the Act"), IMS Global Learning Consortium Inc. has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership. 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, Sigong Media, Seoul, REPUBLIC OF KOREA; SungKyunKwan University, Suwan, Gyeonggi-do, REPUBLIC OF KOREA; State University of New York at Delhi, Delhi, NY; Texas A&M—Commerce, Commerce, TX; and Touro University Worldwide, Westlake Village, CA have been added as parties to this venture.

Also, LearnGauge, LLC, Okemos, MI; Inigral, Inc., San Francisco, CA; Norwegian Secretariat for Standardization Learning Technology (NSSL), Blindern, Oslo, NORWAY; and Levelland Independent School District, Levelland, TX have withdrawn 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 IMS Global Learning Consortium Inc. intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On April 7, 2000, IMS Global Learning Consortium Inc. 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 13, 2000 (65 FR 55283).

The last notification was filed with the Department on December 1, 2009. A notice was published in the **Federal**

**Register** pursuant to section 6(b) of the Act on December 21, 2009 (74 FR 67903).

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

#### **Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Joint Venture Under Tip Award No. 70NANB10H014 To Perform Project Entitled: Automated Nondestructive Evaluation and Rehabilitation System (ANDERS) for Bridge Decks**

Notice is hereby given that, on January 28, 2010, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* (the Act”), the Joint Venture under TIP Award No. 70NANB10H014 to Perform Project Entitled: Automated Nondestructive Evaluation and Rehabilitation System (“ANDERS”) for Bridge Decks has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing (1) the identities of the parties to the venture 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 plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances.

*Pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act, the identities of the parties to the venture are:* Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick, NJ; Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA; PD-LD, INC., Pennington, NJ; Mala GeoScience USA, Inc., Charleston, SC; and Pennoni Associates Inc., Philadelphia, PA. The general area of ANDERS’ planned activity is to provide a uniquely comprehensive tool that will transform the manner in which bridge decks are assessed and rehabilitated, and to provide a unique tool that enables the sustainable management of aging bridge stock through (1) a much higher evaluation detail and comprehensiveness of detection at an early stage 2 deterioration for far less cost and time than traditional approaches or fragmented NDE, (2) comprehensive condition and structural assessment (including the understanding of effects of local

deterioration on global performance) at all stages of deterioration, and (3) integrated assessment and rehabilitation that will be nondestructive, rapid, cost effective and implementable at all stages of deterioration.

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Antitrust Division

#### **Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Cooperative Research Group on High-Efficiency Dilute Gasoline Engine II**

Notice is hereby given that, on February 18, 2010, pursuant to section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* (“the Act”), Southwest Research Institute—Cooperative Research Group on High-Efficiency Dilute Gasoline Engine II (“HEDGE II”) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership. 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, Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, MI; Valeo Systemes de Controle Moteur, Cergy Pontoise, FRANCE; and Navistar, Melrose Park, IL 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 HEDGE II intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On February 19, 2009, HEDGE II 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 April 2, 2009 (74 FR 15003).

The last notification was filed with the Department of Justice on December 10, 2009. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to section

6(b) of the Act on January 27, 2010 (75 FR 4423).

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employee Benefits Security Administration

**[Prohibited Transaction Exemption 2010-08; Exemption Application No. L-11575]**

#### **Grant of Individual Exemption Involving Ford Motor Company, Located in Detroit, MI**

**AGENCY:** Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor.

**ACTION:** Grant of individual exemption.

This document contains a final exemption issued by the Department of Labor (the Department) from certain prohibited transaction restrictions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (the Act or ERISA). The transactions involve the UAW Ford Retirees Medical Benefits Plan (the Ford VEBA Plan) and its funding vehicle, the UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust (the VEBA Trust), (collectively the VEBA).<sup>1</sup>

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* This exemption is effective as of December 31, 2009.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Warren Blinder, Office of Exemption Determinations, Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, telephone (202) 693-8553. (This is not a toll-free number.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On December 8, 2009, the Department published a notice of proposed individual exemption in the **Federal Register** at 74 FR 64716 from the restrictions of sections 406(a)(1)(A), 406(a)(1)(B), 406(a)(1)(D), 406(a)(1)(E), 406(a)(2), 406(b)(1), 406(b)(2), and 407(a) of ERISA. The proposed exemption was requested in an application filed by the Ford Motor Company (Ford or the Applicant) pursuant to section 408(a) of ERISA and in accordance with the procedures set forth in 29 CFR 2570, Subpart B (55 FR

<sup>1</sup> Because the Ford VEBA Plan will not be qualified under section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), there is no jurisdiction under Title II of the Act pursuant to section 4975 of the Code. However, there is jurisdiction under Title I of the Act.