# DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

# Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Under the Clean Air Act and the Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act

Notice is hereby given that on April 19, 2010, a proposed Consent Decree (Decree) in *United States* v. *Westward Seafoods, Inc.,* Civil Action No. 3:10– cv–00073–JWS, was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of Alaska.

In this action the United States, on behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, sought penalties and injunctive relief from Westward Seafoods, Inc. for violations of the Clean Air Act and the Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act. The Complaint alleges violations including the burning of diesel fuel with excessive sulfur; operating three diesel generators while air pollution control devices were inoperable, resulting in excessive emissions of nitrogen oxides; and failing to respond to repeated requests for information from state and federal inspectors. The Decree would settle the United States' claims in return for a payment of \$570,000 and improved operation and maintenance procedures and employee training.

The Department of Justice will receive for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication comments relating to the Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and either emailed to *pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov* or mailed to P.O. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044–7611, and should refer to *United States* v. *Westward Seafoods, Inc.,* D.J. Ref. 90–5–2–1–09168.

The Decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, Federal Building & U.S. Courthouse, 222 West 7th Ave., #9, Rm 253, Anchorage, AK 99513–7567. During the public comment period, the Decree may also be examined on the following Department of Justice Web site,

to http://www.usdoj.gov/enrd/ Consent\_Decrees.html. A copy of the Decree may also be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, P.O. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044–7611 or by faxing or emailing a request to Tonia Fleetwood (tonia.fleetwood@usdoj.gov), fax no. (202) 514–0097, phone confirmation number (202) 514–1547. In requesting a copy from the Consent Decree Library, please enclose a check in the amount of \$9.25 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the U.S. Treasury or, if by email or fax, forward a check in that amount to the Consent Decree Library at the stated address.

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### National Institute of Corrections

## Solicitation for a Cooperative Agreement—Evaluation of Technical Assistance for Evidence-Based Decisionmaking in Local Criminal Justice Systems

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Corrections, U.S. Department of Justice. **ACTION:** Solicitation for a Cooperative Agreement.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Corrections (NIC) is soliciting proposals to enter into a cooperative agreement for a 20-month project to begin in June 2010. Work under this cooperative agreement will involve documenting the technical assistance (TA) provided to up to six sites selected as grantees under Phase II of the Evidence-Based Decisionmaking in Local Criminal Justice Systems project. The purpose of the evaluation is to assess the quality of the services provided to the sites and to document the degree to which the technical assistance services affected the sites' preparation to implement the Evidence-Based Decisionmaking Framework (the Framework). **DATES:** Applications must be received by 4 p.m. EDT on Friday, May 21, 2010. ADDRESSES: Mailed applications must be sent to Director. National Institute of Corrections, 320 First Street, NW., Room 5007, Washington, DC 20534. Applicants are encouraged to use Federal Express, UPS, or similar service to ensure delivery by the due date.

Hand delivered applications should be brought to 500 First Street, NW., Washington, DC 20534. At the front desk, dial 7–3106, extension 0 for pickup.

Faxed applications will not be accepted. Electronic applications (preferred) can be submitted only via http://www.grants.gov.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** A copy of this announcement and links to the required application forms can be downloaded from the NIC Web site at *http://www.nicic.gov.* All programmatic questions concerning this

announcement should be directed to Lori Eville, Correctional Program Specialist, National Institute of Corrections. She can be reached at 1–800–995–6423, extension 62848 or by e-mail at *leville@bop.gov*.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Background:* In June 2008, the National Institute of Corrections awarded the Center for Effective Public Policy, in partnership with the Pretrial Justice Institute, the Justice Management Institute, and The Carey Group, a cooperative agreement to address evidence-Based decisionmaking in local criminal justice systems. The goal of the initiative is to build a systemwide framework that will result in more collaborative, evidence-based decisionmaking in local criminal justice systems. The initiative is grounded in the accumulated knowledge of two decades of research on the factors that contribute to criminal re-offending and the processes and methods the justice system can employ to interrupt the cycle of re-offense. The effort seeks to equip criminal justice policymakers in local communities with the information, processes, and tools that will result in a measurable reduction of pretrial misconduct and postconviction reoffending.

The principle product of the initial 18-month phase of the initiative is A Framework for Evidence-Based Decisionmaking in Local Criminal Justice Systems (the Framework), which is designed to advance constructive change in local level criminal justice decisionmaking. The Framework describes key criminal justice decisions, evidence-based knowledge about effective justice practices, and practical local level strategies for applying risk and harm reduction principles and techniques. A copy of the Evidence-Based Decisionmaking Framework document can be downloaded online at http://www.cepp.com/ebdm.

A key component of the Framework is the Evidence-Based Decisionmaking Logic Model, which represents the theory underlying the Framework. The logic model addresses the implementation of the Framework at the "system" level of the criminal justice system. It is built upon the four principles underlying the Framework and outlines the logical flow of both the processes and activities involved in its implementation. The logic model also demonstrates the expected harm reduction impacts that will result from these processes and activities. The logic model is located on page 31 of the Framework document.