

amended ("CWA"), 33 U.S.C. 1321(f), to recover damages for injuries to natural resources in the lower Ashtabula River and Harbor. The United States' complaint asserts claims against 18 separate parties, based on alleged releases or discharges of hazardous substances from numerous industrial facilities that operated in Ashtabula at various times since the 1940s. Concurrently with the filing of the United States' complaint, the State of Ohio also filed a complaint under CERCLA, the CWA, and other authorities, seeking to recover damages for injuries to resources in the lower Ashtabula River and Harbor. The State's complaint asserts claims against all of the parties named as defendants in the United States' complaint, as well as certain entities that are part of the federal government.

The proposed Consent Decree would resolve all claims assert in the complaints filed by the United States and the State of Ohio, as well as certain potential claims of the private party defendants against the United States. Under the terms of the proposed settlement, Settling Defendants and Settling Federal Agencies will collectively pay more than \$2.3 million to federal and state natural resource damages funds as reimbursement for natural resource damage assessment costs previously incurred by federal and state natural resource trustees in connection with the Ashtabula River site. In addition, Settling Defendants will implement a number of natural resource damage restoration projects in accordance with plans approved by federal and state natural resource trustees. Finally, the proposed settlement provides for Settling Defendants to pay a total of \$440,000 to the Trustees for future restoration activities, including costs that may be incurred by the Trustees in connection with restoration projects undertaken by the Settling Defendants.

The Department of Justice will receive for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication comments relating to the Consent Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and either emailed to [pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov](mailto: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. Cabot Corporation, et al.*, D.J. Ref. 90-11-2-210/1.

During the public comment period, the Consent Decree may also be examined on the following Department of Justice Web site, [http://www.usdoj.gov/enrd/Consent\\_Decrees.html](http://www.usdoj.gov/enrd/Consent_Decrees.html). A copy of the Consent Decrees 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 "Consent Decree Copy" ([EESCDCopy.ENRD@usdoj.gov](mailto:EESCDCopy.ENRD@usdoj.gov)), fax number (202) 514-0097, phone confirmation number (202) 514-5271. If requesting a copy of the Consent Decree from the Consent Decree Library by mail, please enclose a check in the amount of \$87.00 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the U.S. Treasury or, if requesting by email or fax, forward a check in that amount to the Consent Decree Library at the address given above. In requesting a copy exclusive of exhibits and defendants' signatures, please enclose a check in the amount of \$17.50 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the United States Treasury.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Bureau of Labor Statistics

#### Bureau of Labor Statistics Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting and Agenda

The Bureau of Labor Statistics Technical Advisory Committee will meet on Friday June 15, 2012. The meeting will be held in the Postal Square Building, 2 Massachusetts Avenue NE., Washington, DC.

The Committee provides advice and makes recommendations to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) on technical aspects of the collection and formulation of economic measures. The BLS presents issues and then draws on the expertise of Committee members representing specialized fields within the academic disciplines of economics, statistics and survey design.

The meeting will be held in rooms 1 and 2 of the Postal Square Building Conference Center. The schedule and agenda for the meeting are as follows:

8:30 a.m. Registration.  
9 a.m. Opening remarks and introductions; agency updates.  
9:15 a.m. Price Indexes for Foreign Inputs.  
11:30 a.m. Discussion of future priorities.  
11:45 a.m. Lunch.

1 p.m. Discussion of future priorities.  
1:30 p.m. Current Employment Statistics Revisions.  
3 p.m. Current Employment Statistics Birth/Death Model.  
4:30 p.m. Approximate conclusion.

The meeting is open to the public. Any questions concerning the meeting should be directed to Lisa Fieldhouse, Bureau of Labor Statistics Technical Advisory Committee, on 202-691-5025. Individuals who require special accommodations should contact Ms. Fieldhouse at least two days prior to the meeting date.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Veterans' Employment and Training; Veterans Workforce Investment Program

**AGENCY:** Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor.

**Announcement Type:** New Notice of Availability of Funds and Solicitation for Grant Applications. The full announcement is posted on [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov).

**Funding Opportunity Number:** SGA 12-02.

**DATES: Key Dates:** The closing date for receipt of applications is June 15, 2012.

#### Funding Opportunity Description

The U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL), Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS), announces a grant competition under the Veterans' Workforce Investment Program (VWIP) for Program Year (PY) 2012, as authorized under Section 168 of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998. WIA section 168 amended the training programs made available to veterans (see 29 U.S.C. 2913). WIA section 168 authorizes the Department of Labor to make grants to meet the needs for workforce investment activities of veterans with service-connected disabilities, veterans who have significant barriers to employment, veterans who served on active duty in the armed forces during a war or in a campaign or expedition for which a campaign badge has been authorized, and recently separated veterans within 48 months of discharge (under conditions other than dishonorable). Veterans who received a "dishonorable" discharge are ineligible for VWIP services. Priority of service for veterans