

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**National Energy Technology Laboratory; Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive License**

AGENCY: National Energy Technology Laboratory, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive License.

SUMMARY: This notice is issued in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(c)(1) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i). The National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL) hereby gives notice of its intent to grant an exclusive license to practice the invention described and claimed in U.S. Patent Application Number 61/995,405, entitled "Ionic Solvent for the Aluminum Electroplating Process" to LumiShield Technologies, having its principal place of business in Pittsburgh, PA. The invention is owned jointly by the United States of America, as represented by the Department of Energy, and Carnegie Mellon University. The prospective exclusive license complies with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

DATES: Written comments or nonexclusive license applications are to be received at the address listed below no later than February 17, 2015. Objections submitted in response to this notice will not be made available to the public for inspection and, to the extent permitted by law, will not be released under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.

ADDRESSES: Comments, applications for nonexclusive licenses, or objections relating to the prospective exclusive license should be submitted to Jessica Sosenko, Technology Transfer Program Manager, U.S. Department of Energy, National Energy Technology Laboratory, P.O. Box 10940, Pittsburgh, PA 15236-0940.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jessica Sosenko, Technology Transfer Program Manager, U.S. Department of Energy, National Energy Technology Laboratory, P.O. Box 10940, Pittsburgh, PA 15236-0940; Telephone (412) 386-7417; Email: jessica.sosenko@netl.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 209(c) of title 35 of the United States Code gives the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) the authority to grant exclusive or partially exclusive licenses in Department-owned inventions where a determination can be made, among other things, that the desired practical application of the invention has not been achieved, or is not likely to be achieved expeditiously, under a

nonexclusive license. The statute and implementing regulations (37 CFR 404) require that the necessary determinations be made after public notice and opportunity for filing written comments and objections.

LumiShield, a small business, has applied for an exclusive license to practice the invention and has a plan for commercialization of the invention. DOE intends to grant the license, upon a final determination in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(c), unless within 15 days of publication of this notice, NETL's Technology Transfer Manager (contact information listed above), receives in writing any of the following, together with supporting documents:

- (i) A statement from any person setting forth reasons why it would not be in the best interest of the United States to grant the proposed license; or
- (ii) An application for a nonexclusive license to the invention, in which the applicant states that it already has brought the invention to practical application or is likely to bring the invention to practical application expeditiously.

The proposed license will be exclusive, subject to a license and other rights retained by the United States, and subject to a negotiated royalty. DOE will review all timely written responses to this notice, and will grant the license if, after expiration of the 15-day notice period, and after consideration of any written responses to this notice, a determination is made in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(c) that the license is in the public interest.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy****Energy Efficiency Program for Consumer Products and Commercial and Industrial Equipment: Information Collection Extension**

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) announces receipt of the approval of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to extend until November 30, 2017, DOE's information

collection under control number 1910-1400 pursuant to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Information Collection under OMB control number 1910-1400 has been extended until November 20, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Ashley Armstrong, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Building Technologies, EE-5B, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121. Telephone: (202) 586-6590. Email: Ashley.Armstrong@ee.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title III, Part B of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975 ("EPCA" or "the Act"), Public Law 94-163 (42 U.S.C. 6291-6309, as codified) sets forth a variety of provisions designed to improve energy efficiency and established the Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products Other Than Automobiles. The National Energy Conservation Policy Act (NECPA), Public Law 95-619, amended EPCA to add Part C of Title III, which established an energy conservation program for certain industrial equipment. (42 U.S.C. 6311-6317) ¹

Under EPCA, energy conservation programs generally consist of four parts: (1) Testing; (2) labeling; (3) establishing Federal energy conservation standards; and (4) certification and enforcement procedures. The testing requirements consist of test procedures that manufacturers of covered products and equipment must use as the basis for certifying to DOE that their products and equipment comply with the applicable energy conservation standards adopted pursuant to EPCA and for making other representations about the efficiency of those products. (42 U.S.C. 6293(c); 42 U.S.C. 6295(s); 42 U.S.C. 6314) Similarly, DOE must use these test requirements to determine whether the products comply with any relevant standards promulgated under EPCA. (42 U.S.C. 6295(s))

DOE satisfied its requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 with respect to its information collection attendant to effective implementation of its Energy Conservation Program under control number 1910-1400. The information collection under control number 1910-1400 includes reports and data created in support of DOE's Appliance Standards Program. Specifically, the extension of information collection

¹ For editorial reasons, Parts B (consumer products) and C (commercial equipment) of Title III of EPCA were re-designated as parts A and A-1, respectively, in the United States Code.