



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NOTICE OF LODGING OF PROPOSED CONSENT DECREE
UNDER THE COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION,
AND LIABILITY ACT

On August 1, 2017, the Department of Justice lodged a proposed consent decree with the United States District Court for the Central District of California in the lawsuit entitled *United States v. The Bionetics Corporation*, Civil Action No. 17-5677.

The United States filed this lawsuit under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) for the recovery of costs that the United States incurred responding to releases of hazardous substances at certain Installation Restoration Program (IRP) Sites at Vandenberg Air Force Base in Santa Barbara County, California. The consent decree requires the defendant The Bionetics Corporation to pay \$219,000 to the United States. In return, the United States agrees not to sue the defendant under sections 106 and 107 of CERCLA at certain IRP Sites at Vandenberg Air Force Base.

The publication of this notice opens a period for public comment on the consent decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and should refer to *United States v. The Bionetics Corporation*, D.J. Ref. No. 90-11-3-10477/4. All comments must be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the publication date of this notice. Comments may be submitted either by e-mail or by mail:

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