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## HOLDING COMPANY ACT RELEASES

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### APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until September 20, 1993 to request a hearing on a proposal by Appalachian Power Company, an electric public-utility subsidiary company of American Electric Power Company, Inc., a registered holding company, to effect the refunding of up to \$40 million of pollution control revenue bonds issued in connection with the financing of pollution control facilities. (Rel. 35-25872)

### OHIO POWER COMPANY

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until September 20, 1993 to request a hearing on a proposal by Ohio Power Company, an electric public-utility subsidiary company of American Electric Power Company, Inc., a registered holding company, to effect the refunding of up to \$50 million of pollution control revenue bonds issued in connection with the financing of pollution control facilities. (Rel. 35-25872)

### AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY

A supplemental notice has been issued giving interested persons until September 20, 1993 to request a hearing on a proposal by American Electric Power Company (AEP), a registered holding company, and AEP Resources (Resources), its nonutility subsidiary company, for AEP to invest up to \$7.5 million in Resources per year through December 31, 1996 for preliminary cogeneration development activities and administrative costs. Investments would take the form of acquisitions of common stock of Resources and/or capital contributions or debt financing from unaffiliated third parties consisting of banks, insurance companies or other institutional investors. AEP also requests authorization to guarantee any debt financing by Resources. (Rel. 35-25872)

### ALLEGHENY POWER SYSTEM

A notice has been issued to provide all interested persons until September 20, 1993, to request a hearing on a proposal by Allegheny Power System, Inc. (Allegheny) a registered holding company; three electric public utility subsidiary companies of Allegheny -- Monongahela Power Company (Monongahela), Potomac Edison Company (Potomac Edison), and West Penn Power Company (West Penn); Allegheny Generating Company, an electric public-utility subsidiary of Monongahela, Potomac Edison, and West Penn; and Allegheny Power Service Corporation, a service company subsidiary of Allegheny. The proposal requests an authorization for the continuation and increase of short-term financing for the Allegheny system from December 31, 1993 through December 31, 1995. (Rel. 35-25872)

## CENTRAL AND SOUTH WEST CORPORATION

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until September 20, 1993 to request a hearing on a proposal by Central and South West Corporation (CSW), a registered holding company, and its subsidiary companies, Central and South West Services, Inc., Central Power and Light Company, Public Service Company of Oklahoma, Southwestern Electric Power Company, West Texas Utilities Company and Transok, Inc. (Transok), to increase Transok's authority from \$120 million to \$200 million, to issue, sell and acquire short-term notes under its short-term borrowing program and the CSW system Money Pool through March 31, 1985. (Rel. 35-25872)

## GULF POWER COMPANY

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until September 20, 1993 to request a hearing on a proposal by Gulf Power Company (Gulf Power), a wholly owned electric public-utility subsidiary company of The Southern Company, a registered holding company. Gulf Power proposes to finance or refinance certain pollution control equipment (Equipment) at any time on or before December 31, 1996, in connection with the issuance and sale by public instrumentalities of one or more series of pollution control revenue bonds (Revenue Bonds) in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$200 million. In order to secure the obligations incurred by the financing or refinancing of the Equipment, Gulf Power proposes to (1) issue a series of its first mortgage bonds; (2) issue an irrevocable letter of credit; (3) cause an insurance company to issue a policy guaranteeing payment of those obligations; (4) transfer a subordinated security interest in the Equipment and other property; and/or (5) guarantee the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Revenue Bonds. Gulf Power further proposes to issue and sell, at any time on or before December 31, 1996, one or more series of its first mortgage bonds and/or preferred stock in an aggregate principal amount (or par value, as the case may be) of up to \$400 million. (Rel. 35-25872)

## THE COLUMBIA GAS SYSTEM

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until September 20, 1993 to request a hearing on a proposal by The Columbia Gas System (Columbia), a registered holding company, and its wholly owned nonutility subsidiary company, TriStar Ventures Corporation (TVC), for Columbia to recapitalize TVC by making a capital contribution to TVC of up to \$31 million. Installment promissory notes previously issued by TVC to Columbia will be cancelled. Columbia also proposes to provide additional financing, through December 31, 1994, of up to \$12 million to TVC for administrative operations and preliminary development activities related to qualifying cogeneration facilities and exempt wholesale generators and foreign utility companies. (35-25872)

## APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY

A notice has been issued to provide all interested persons until September 20, 1993 to request a hearing on a proposal by Appalachian Power Company (Appalachian), Indiana Michigan Power Company (Indiana), and Ohio Power Company (Ohio Power) each of which is an electric public-utility subsidiary company of American Electric Power Company, a registered holding company. Pursuant to Rule 52, Appalachian, Indiana, and Ohio Power (Companies) plan to issue and sell -- in one or more transactions from time to time through June 30, 1994 -- cumulative preferred stock in amounts, respectively, of \$110 million, \$105 million, and \$100 million. In connection therewith, the Companies propose to acquire -- through sinking funds or redemption provisions -- up

to the entire amount of cumulative preferred stock to be issued and Appalachian and Ohio Power propose to amend their articles of incorporation to allow for such issuance and sale of stock. (Rel. 35-25872)

#### THE CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until September 20, 1993 to comment on a proposal by The Connecticut Light & Power Company (CL&P), Western Massachusetts Electric Company (WMECO), Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH), and North Atlantic Energy Corporation (North Atlantic) (collectively, Operating Companies), each an electric public-utility subsidiary company of Northeast Utilities, a registered holding company. CL&P and WMECO propose to determine the mandatory and optional redemption terms of preferred stock (that they anticipate issuing by authority of state order and Rule 52) and redeem such preferred stock in the future without further Commission authorization. Also, the Operating Companies propose, from time to time through June 30, 1998, to acquire and retire their first mortgage bonds (Bonds), notes and preferred stock (Preferred) up to the following aggregate principal amounts: CL&P -- \$690 million (\$520 million of Bonds and \$170 million of Preferred); WMECO -- \$160 million (\$135 million of Bonds and \$25 million of Preferred); PSNH -- \$84 million (\$34 million of Bonds and \$50 million of Preferred); and North Atlantic -- \$100 million (\$80 million of Bonds and \$20 million of notes). (Rel. 35-25872)

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### LISTING, DELISTING AND UNLISTED TRADING ACTIONS

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#### DELISTING GRANTED

An order has been issued granting the application of Frozen Food Express Industries, Inc., to strike from listing and registration its Common Stock, \$1.50 Par Value, on the American Stock Exchange. (Rel. 34-32819)

#### UNLISTED TRADING PRIVILEGES SOUGHT

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until September 20, 1993 to comment on the application of the Chicago Stock Exchange for unlisted trading privileges in four issues which are listed and registered on one or more other national securities exchange and are reported in the consolidated transaction reporting system. (Rel. 34-32820)

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### SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS

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The following registration statements have been filed with the SEC under the Securities Act of 1933. The reported information appears as follows: Form, Name, Address and Phone Number (if available) of the issuer of the security; Title and the number and/or face amount of the securities being offered; Name of the managing underwriter or depositor (if applicable); File number and date filed; Assigned Branch; and a designation if the statement is a New Issue.

S-8 YORK RESEARCH CORP, 280 PARK AVE STE 2700 WEST, NEW YORK, NY 10017  
(212) 557-6200 - 115,000 (\$747,500) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-67616 -  
AUG. 19) (BR. 7)

REGISTRATIONS CONTINUED

- S-3 EPTOPE INC/OR/, 8505 SW CREEKSIDE PL, BEAVERTON, OR 97005  
(503) 641-6115 - 700,000 (\$11,987,500) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-67618 -  
AUG. 19) (BR. 4)
- S-8 NEWELL CO /DE/, 29 EAST STEPHENSON ST, NEWELL CENTER, FREEPORT, IL 61032  
(815) 235-4171 - 200,000 (\$7,150,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-67620 -  
AUG. 19) (BR. 6)
- S-8 SELFIX INC, 4501 WEST 47TH ST, CHICAGO, IL 60632 (312) 890-1010 -  
441,453 (\$2,375,017) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-67622 - AUG. 19) (BR. 5)
- S-8 TAPISTRON INTERNATIONAL INC, 735 BROAD ST STE 212, CHATTANOOGA, TN 37402  
(615) 265-1920 - 692,103 (\$5,147,516) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-67624 -  
AUG. 19) (BR. 9)
- S-8 MARINER HEALTH GROUP INC, 47 WATER ST, MYSTIC, CT 06355 (203) 572-7744  
- 1,250,250 (\$12,686,937.50) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-67628 - AUG. 19)  
(BR. 6)
- S-8 VIVRA INC, 400 PRIMROSE, SUITE 200, BURLINGAME, CA 94010 (415) 348-8200  
- 600,000 (\$18,627,633.84) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-67630 - AUG. 19)  
(BR. 5)
- S-8 NEWELL CO /DE/, 29 EAST STEPHENSON ST, NEWELL CENTER, FREEPORT, IL 61032  
(815) 235-4171 - 4,000,000 (\$143,000,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-67632 -  
AUG. 19) (BR. 6)
- S-8 PURITAN BENNETT CORP, 9401 INDIAN CREEK PKWY BLDG 40 STE 300,  
P O BOX 25905, OVERLAND PARK, KS 66225 (913) 661-0444 - 1,000,000  
(\$17,870,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-67634 - AUG. 19) (BR. 8)
- S-6 FIRST TRUST COMBINED SERIES 196, 1001 WARRENVILLE RD,  
C/O NIKE SECURITIES LP, LISLE, IL 60532 - INDEFINITE SHARES. DEPOSITOR:  
NIKE SECURITIES LP. (FILE 33-67638 - AUG. 19) (BR. 18 - NEW ISSUE)
- S-3 OMI CORP, 90 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10016 (212) 986-1960 - 150,000,000  
(\$150,000,000) STRAIGHT BONDS. UNDERWRITER: CITICORP SECURITIES INC,  
GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. (FILE 33-67640 - AUG. 19) (BR. 4)
- S-3 BLOCKBUSTER ENTERTAINMENT CORP, ONE BLOCKBUSTER PLZ, FT LAUDERDALE, FL  
33301 (305) 823-3000 - 7,340,783 (\$186,749,519) COMMON STOCK. (FILE  
33-67642 - AUG. 19) (BR. 11)
- S-8 DANSKIN INC, 111 W 40TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10018 (212) 764-4630 - 600,000  
(\$5,196,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-67644 - AUG. 19) (BR. 7)
- S-8 SUBURBAN BANCORPORATION INC, 10869 MONTGOMERY RD, CINCINNATI, OH 45242  
- 109,500 (\$1,095,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-67648 - AUG. 19) (BR. 1)
- S-3 MEDIMMUNE INC /DE/, 35 W WATKINS MILL RD, GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878  
(301) 417-0770 - 1,120,000 (\$23,940,000) COMMON STOCK. (FILE 33-67654 -  
AUG. 19) (BR. 4)
- S-3 FRONTIER INSURANCE GROUP INC, 195 LAKE LOUISE MARIE RD, ROCK HILL, NY  
12775 (914) 796-2100 - 1,518,000 (\$71,346,000) COMMON STOCK. UNDERWRITER:  
BEAR STEARNS & CO INC, SMITH BARNEY SHEARSON INC. (FILE 33-67664 -  
AUG. 20) (BR. 9)
- S-1 LANDSTAR SYSTEM INC, FIRST SHELTON PL, 1000 BRIDGEPORT AVE, SHELTON, CT  
06484 (203) 925-2900 - 6,102,723 (\$102,220,610) COMMON STOCK. UNDERWRITER:  
BROWN ALEX & SONS INC, MORGAN STANLEY & CO INC. (FILE 33-67666 - AUG. 20)  
(BR. 4)