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Sealed bids for the Clark Lab & Peavy Hall Exterior Repairs project will be received by the Oregon State Board of Higher Education until 2:00 PM, local time, July 21, 1992. Bids will be opened and publicly read aloud at that time. All bidders must be registered with the Construction Contractor's Board.

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Tri-met Intent to apply for FY'92-93

Special transportation Program Formula Funds Notice is hereby given that the Special transportation Fund Advisory Committee, of the Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District of Oregon (Tri-Met), will meet at 10:00am, Wednesday, July 15, 1992, at the Portland Building, 1120 SW 5th Avenue, 2nd floor, room C, for the purpose of considering an

application for FY' 92-93 State formula funding.

Special Transportation Fund assistance totalling \$2,129,143 is being requested in a grant application to be reviewed by the Advisory Committee on July 15. The funding would be used for operating assistance to support transportation service for the elderly and/or disabled.

Public comment is invited at the meeting. Persons requiring a sign language interpreter should contact Tri-Met's Senior and Disabled Citizen Information Department(phone 238-4952 or TDD 238-5811, Monday-Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm) at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

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Public Notice

TRI-County Metropolitan Transportation District Of Oregon (TRI-MET)

Notice is hereby given that Tri-Met will hold a public hearing before its Committee on Accessible Transportation (CAT) to solicit public comment on Tri-Met's proposed Key Stations Plan for Accessibility in Existing Light Rail (MAX).

Wednesday July 15, 1992 Date: 10:30am to 11:00am Time: Portland Building Place: 1120 SW 5th Room C, 2nd Floor

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and subsequent regulations require Tri-Met to submit a plan to make key stations of the MAX light rail system "readily accessible to and useable by individuals with disabilities, including individuals who use wheelchairs."

The Committee on Accessible Transportation (CAT) is a citizens' advisory committee to the Tri-Met Board, and, as such, reviews and evaluates all current and future transportation service for people who are disabled. The majority of CAT members are disabled or represent persons with disabilities.

Testimony at the public hearings will be limited depending on time availability. The meeting room is accessible. A person requesting a sign language interpreter shall give Tri-Met at least 48 hours notice of the request by contacting Tri-Met at 238-4952 or TDD 238-5811, Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm.

Tri-Met's proposed Key Stations Plan will be available July 1, 1992. To receive a copy (also available in large print or on tape, upon request), please call 238-4988 (TDD 238-5811) 8:30am to 4:30pm weekdays, and provide your name and address and request.

Written comment may be submitted to: CAT, Public Hearing, c/ o Elaine Tourville, 4012 SE 17th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97202 on or before July 14, 1992.

To make comment by phone, please call 238-4988 (TDD 238-5811) 8:30am to 4:30pm weekdays, on or before July 14, 1992.

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African American Views On The Environment

BY PROF. MCKINLEY BURT

As I write this article, I have two relevant statements before me. Michael Zimmerman, a biology professor at Oberlin College asks, "If chemicals are so safe, why are chemists dying?" The other attention-getter is an institutional advertisement by The Chemical Manufacturers Association, "Our members have voluntarily initiated a pollution prevention code". The first statement carries the reader

to a higher level of awareness, and the second prompts a "huh? Whats' that? reaction. Dr. Zimmerman pulls the covers off some of the companies and organizations of the type that brought us "Love Canal". He deals with two individuals in particular who in the final analysis may be responsible for a number of deaths resulting from pollution of our air and water. This opinion is shared by many environmentalists.

Elizabeth Whelan, executive director of the American Council on Science and Health--a front organization and P.R. firm for such major polluters as the National Pest control Association-- claims that those us who are concerned about all the cancer-causing chemicals into our environment need a Psychiatrist. A favorite of the conservative, right wing republicans she refers to concerned consumers as "pests".

Also cited is Dr. Bruce Ames, a notorious and oft-quoted toxicologist (poison expert) at U.C. Berkeley, most remembered for his statement that "peanut butter is significantly more dangerous than most pesticide residues found on foods". These two are the most articulate apologists for an American chemical industry that furnishes 80% of the chemicals used by the Colombian Drug Cartel to Process Cocaine!

The answer to Dr. Zimmerman's pertinent question, "why are chemists dying ?", is more than adequately presented by his citations of documented

studies which reveal disproportionately high rates of cancer of the pancreas and lymph systems, as well as blood-related cancers and brain tumors for the profession. This information compiled from year of study by legitimate and respected science organizations around the world was advanced to counter the claims of the apologists that tests of chemicals on laboratory animals are invalid ("Mice are not little people).

And another pertinent question may arise as we consider the title of this article, how, indeed, may environmental pollutants and carcinogens be Ethnic Specific? Well, as those television presentations put it in respect to successful entrepreneurship--"location, location, location." This obtains whether you are at the bottom of the food chain, the job chain, the housing chain, the immigration chain--or however else you wish to view the socioeconomic consequences of racial prejudice in this world.

At first blush, some of the environmental hazards that affect inner-city populations would not seem to be that much of a hazard in a city like Portland, relatively uncrowded or frenzied when compared to major eastern metropolitan center--or California. However, from where I sit as a member of Portland's "Water Quality Advisory committee", I am in constant receipt of a technical information flow in respect to real or possible pollution of the city's water supplies. The most significant threat of pollution comes form the presence in the older homes (and schools) of Lead fittings--installed many years ago before plumbing codes were modernized to deal with this hazard (The status of city-owned wells also arises).

The problem is being dealt with in the schools forth with and there are monitoring and correction programs being put in place for the homes. However, as we well know, Portland is a city of many a beloved Older Home whether

we speak of minority or white occupancy. We could say, perhaps, that therefore this environmental hazard has no racial overtones--except that replacing plumbing is a terribly expensive process, and guess who is at the bottom of the economic pyramid.

In that large information flow I mentioned, there is always a great number of reports and studies on hazards to aspects of our environment other than the water supply. Again, that supercarcinogen, lead, is found in the home. Studies across the country have revealed that small children will eat the flaking paint chips from walls coated long before recognition of this insidious danger. Long term or permanent brain and metabolic damage has been shown to result from this ingestion (Many ancient Romans perished, using lead ves-

In the eastern and southern innercities, the black populations have shown a disproportionate susceptibility to these diseases, living as many do in aged and dilapidated sections of town not known for being kept in good repair. Further exacerbation of this problem comes from a proximity to freeways and other arterials which flood their homes with the fumes from "leaded gasoline". It will be many a year before the EPA has completely cleaned up this act.

Going far afield from Portland, Oregon, we have yet to discuss some rather startling and threatening trends-like the siting of hazardous waste dump sites next to rural settlements of blacks who find it almost impossible to fight back. Some southern county officials are plugging up financial holes in their administration by inviting in waste haulers from points as far away as New York. And, then, there is Africa which European countries would make an international dumping ground, bribing weak or corrupt regimes.

This analysis continued next week.

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