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#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### Federal Aviation Administration

# First Meeting, Special Committee 209, Air Traffic Control Radar Beacon Systems (ATCRBS)/Mode Select (Mode S) Transponder

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of RTCA Special Committee 209, ATCRBS/Mode S Transponder.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a first meeting of RTCA Special Committee 209, ATCRBS/ Mode S Transponder.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on February 16, 2005, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., and February 17, 2006, from 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at RTCA, Inc., 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC 20036.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: RTCA Secretariat, 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC 20036; telephone (202) 833–9339; fax (202) 833-9434; Web site http://www.rtca.org. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for a Special Committee 209 meeting. Special Committee 209 will address the design, performance, installation and operational issues associated with ATCRBS/Mode S Airborne Equipment. Special Committee 209 Chairmen are Thomas Pagano, Federal Aviation Administration and Robert Saffell Rockwell Collins, Inc. The agenda will include:

February 16–17:

• Opening Plenary Session (Welcome, Introductions, and Administrative Remarks, Agenda Overview).

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• Previous Mode S Transponder (Committee History).

 Current Committee Scope, Terms of Reference Overview.

Presentation, Discussion,

Recommendations.

 Organization of Work, Assignment of Tasks.

Presentation, Discussion.

Recommendations.

• Assignment of Responsibilities.

• Closing Plenary Session (Other Business, Establish Agenda, Date and Place for Next Meeting, Adjourn).

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. Pre-Registration for this meeting is not required for attendance but is desired and can be done through the RTCA secretariat. With the approval of the chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER **INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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#### Natalie Ogletree,

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# **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Aviation Administration** 

Twenty-Sixth (26th) Joint Meeting, **RTCA Special Committee 189/** EUROCAE Working Group 53: Air Traffic Services (ATS) Safety and **Interoperability Requirements** 

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of RTCA Special Committee 189/EUROCAE working Group 53 meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of RTCA Special Committee 189/ EUROCAE Working Group 53: Air Traffic Services (ATS) Safety and Interoperability Requirements.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held March 7-10, 2006, starting at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at EUROCAE, 102 rue Etienne Dolet 92240 Malakoff—FRANCE.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: (1) RTCA Secretariat (Hal Moses), 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC 20036, (202) 833-9339; fax (202) 833-9434; Web site http://www.rtca.org; (20) EUROCAE, Contact: Gilbert AMATO, Secretary General, Tel: +33 (0) 1 40 92 79 30, Fax: +33 (0) 1 46 55 62 65, E-mail: gilbert.amato@eurocae.com.

Security: Submit your name and company to *serge.bagieu@airbus.com* no later than February 3, 2006, to attend the meeting.

Info: Information on EUROCAE can be found at http;://www.eurocae.org/. Hotels:

(1) Mercure Porte de Versailles Exp. 36–38 rue du Moulin, 92170 Vanves, Metro 12: Plateaude Vanves, Tel 33/1 46 48 55 55, Fax 33/1 46 48 56 56.

(2) Ibis Vanves Parc Despositions, 43 rue Jean Bleuzen 92170 Vanves, Metro 13: Platueu de Vanves, Tel: 33/1 40 95 80 00, Fax 33/1 40 35 96 99.

(3) Etap Porte Vanves, 110 rue Jean Bleuzen, 92170 Venves, Metro 12: Platueu de Vanves, tel: 33/892 68 07 23, Fax 33/1 50 95 33 54.

(4) Mercure Montparnassee, 20 rue de la Gaité, 75014 Paris, Metro 13: Gainté, Tel: 33/144 35 28 28, Fax 33/1 43 35 78 00.

(5) Ibis Maine Montparnassee, 160 rue du Chateau, 46014 Paris, Metro 13: Pernety Tel: 33/1 43 22 00 09, Fax: 33/ 1 43 20 21 78.

Dress: Business casual.

Directions: How to get to EUROCAE Premises at Malakoff EUROCAE Offices—102 rue Etienne Dolet 92240— MALAKOFF

# From "Roissy-Charles De Gaulle" Airport (Travel Time: 60 to 75 Minutes)

 Take Airport shuttle to RER Station (located within the Airport).

 Take RER Line B to Denfert Rochereau.

• Take Metro Line 6 to *Montparnasse* Bienvenue.

 Take Metro Line 13 to Malakoff-Rue Etienne Dolet.

• Go on foot to 102, Rue Etienne Dolet (5-minute walk).

#### From "Gare Du Nord" Railway Station

 Take RER Line B to Denfert Rochereau and then as previously described (Metro lines 6 and 13).

#### From "Orly Airport"

• Take "Orlyval" train to *Antony* and then as previously described (RER line B then Metro lines 6 and 13).

• Or alternatively Take Air France bus Direction Invalides and leave at "Montparnasse" and then as previously described (Metro line 13). Additional information on directions and maps may be found by accessing the RTCA Web site http://www.rtca.org or contacting the RTCA Secretariat. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for a Special Committee 189/EUROCAE Working Group 53 meeting.

#### **Meeting Objectives**

• Resolve all comments on version 5.0 of PU–24, Oceanic Safety and Performance Requirements Standard.

• Complete and update all parts of PU-24: Complete section 9.2,

Operational considerations for ADS application and Annex A, and update section 1 and appendices A, B and C, as necessary.

• Post PU–24, version 6 for final SC– 189/WG–53 review.

• Resolve all comments on version H, PU–40, FANS 1/A–ATN Interoperability Requirements Standard.

• Progress material for PU–40 related to accommodating ATN Aircraft in FANS 1/A airspace.

The plenary agenda will include:

Tuesday, March 7, 2006 (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

• Opening Plenary Session (Welcome, Introductions, and Administrative Remarks, Review and approval of Agenda and Meeting Minutes) Administrative.

 SC–189/WG–53 co-chair progress report and review of work program.

• Determine and agree to breakout groups based on analysis of comments on PU–40 and PU24.

Mid-Morning Break (10:30 a.m.)

• Breakout groups, as agreed, and plenary debriefs, as necessary.

# Wednesday and Thursday, March 8–9, 2006 (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

• Breakout groups, as agreed, and plenary debriefs, as necessary.

Friday, March 10, 2006 (9 a.m. to 1 p.m.)

• Debrief on progress for the week.

• Closing Plenary Session (Review schedule and new action items. Any other business, Adjourn).

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. with the approval of the chairmen, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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#### Natalie Ogletree,

*RTCA Advisory Committee.* [FR Doc. 06–861 Filed 1–30–06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–M

# DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

#### Availability of Border Enforcement Grant Program Funds

**AGENCY:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT. **ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This document announces the availability of grant funding under the FY2006 Border Enforcement Grant (BEG) program as specified in Section 4110 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy For Users (SAFETEA-LU). Section 4110 establishes a BEG program. The program is a discretionary grant program funded by a single source. It provides funding for carrying out border commercial motor vehicle (CMV) safety programs and related enforcement activities and projects. An entity or a State that shares a land border with another country is eligible to receive grant funding.

**DATES:** Applications for grant funding should be sent to the FMCSA Division Office in the State where the applicant is located no later than March 15, 2006. Specific information required with the application is provided below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Milt Schmidt, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Office of Safety Programs, North American Borders Division (MC–ESB), 518–431–4239, extension 262, Leo W. O'Brien Federal Building, Room 742, Clinton Avenue and North Pearl Street, Albany, New York 12207. Office hours are from 7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# Background

Section 4110 of SAFETEA-LU (Pub. L. 109–59, August 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1144) established the BEG program. FMCSA has been providing grant funding to States and others for border program activities since 1995. From FY1995 through FY2003, the majority of the funding was provided through FMCSA's Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP). In FY2004, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2004 (Pub. L. 108-199, January 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 3) authorized a Border Enforcement Grant Program for southern border States and a Northern Border Truck Inspection Program for northern border States. In FY2005, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (Pub. L. 108-447, December 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 2809)

authorized a combined southern/ northern Border Enforcement Program.

SAFETEA–LU authorizes the BEG program for FY2006 through FY2009. The authorized funding for the program is \$32 million per year (\$128 million total). Funding is subject to reductions as a result of obligation limitations and takedowns as specified in SAFETEA– LU or other legislation.

Funds are available to an entity or a State that shares a land border with a foreign country. Except for the Maintenance of Expenditure requirement that applies to States and political subdivisions of States, for the purposes of the FY2006 BEG program, FMCSA has determined that an entity includes any political subdivision of a State that shares a border with another country or any other organization that carries out border commercial vehicle safety programs and related enforcement activities or projects consistent with established Federal priorities and criteria

The Federal share of the funds is established by SAFETEA–LU as 100 percent. Allocations remain available for expenditure in the State for the fiscal year in which they are allocated and for the next fiscal year.

Additional information on the BEG program and its application process is available from the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA), which is available on the Internet at *http:// www.cfda.gov*. The BEG program is listed as CFDA number 20.233.

### **Implementation of the BEG Discretionary Program in FY2006**

FMCSA is implementing the FY2006 BEG program with the goal of reducing the number and severity of CMV crashes in the United States by ensuring CMVs involved in the cross-border movement of freight and passengers are in compliance with all FMCSA regulatory requirements. To achieve this goal, FMCSA has established the following national priorities for the FY2006 BEG program:

• Increase the number of CMV safety inspections and commercial driver license/operating authority/financial responsibility checks in border States with the focus on international traffic;

• Increase the number of hazardous materials inspections in border States with the focus on international traffic;

• Improve the capability to conduct CMV safety inspections at remote sites near the border (The list of eligible items in 49 CFR 350.311 that relate to MCSAP should be used as a guide.);

• Develop appropriate telecommunications systems—those that relate directly to the accessing and