

providers to another accrediting entity, including by transferring a reasonable allocation of collected fees for the remainder of the accreditation or approval period of such adoption service providers.

(3) *Severability*: To the extent that the Department determines, within its reasonable discretion, that any provision of this agreement is inconsistent with the Convention, the IAA, the regulations implementing the IAA or any other provision of law, that provision of the agreement shall be considered null and void and the remainder of the agreement shall continue in full force and effect as if the offending portion had not been a part of it.

(4) *Entirety of Agreement*: This agreement is the entire agreement of the Parties and may be modified only upon written agreement of the Parties.

Attachment 1—Colorado Revised Statutes: Title 26 Human Services Code: Article 6 Child Care Centers: Part 1 Child Care Licensing

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(6.5) On and after July 1, 2005, and subject to designation as a qualified accrediting entity as required by the “Inter-country Adoption Act of 2000”, 42 U.S.C. 14901 *et seq.*, the state department may license and accredit a child placement agency for purposes of providing adoption services for convention adoptions pursuant to the “Inter-country Adoption Act of 2000”, 42 U.S.C. 14901 *et seq.* The state board of human services may adopt rules consistent with federal law governing the procedures for adverse actions regarding accreditation, which procedures may vary from the procedures set forth in the “State Administrative Procedure Act”, article 4 of title 24, C.R.S.

Dated: June 29, 2006.

Maura Harty,

Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5454]

Advisory Committee on International Economic Policy; Notice of Open Meeting

The Advisory Committee on International Economic Policy (ACIEP) will meet from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Monday, July 24, 2006, in Room 1107, U.S. Department of State, 2201 C Street, NW., Washington, DC. The meeting will be hosted by Assistant Secretary of State for Economic and Business Affairs

Daniel S. Sullivan and Committee Chairman R. Michael Gadbaw. The ACIEP serves the U.S. Government in a solely advisory capacity concerning issues and problems in international economic policy. Items on the agenda for this meeting include: (1) International Energy Issues and (2) Intellectual Property Rights Enforcement.

This meeting is open to the public as seating capacity allows. Entry to the building is controlled; to obtain pre-clearance for entry, members of the public planning to attend should provide, by July 20, 2006, their name, professional affiliation, valid government-issued ID number (*i.e.*, U.S. government ID (agency), U.S. military ID (branch), passport (country), or drivers license (state)), date of birth, and citizenship to La Keisha Barner by fax (202) 647-5936, e-mail (BarnerLR@state.gov), or telephone (202) 647-0847. One of the following forms of valid photo identification will be required for admission to the State Department building: U.S. driver's license, passport, or U.S. Government identification card. Enter the Department of State from the C Street lobby. In view of escorting requirements, non-Government attendees should plan to arrive not less than 15 minutes before the meeting begins.

For additional information, contact David Freudenwald, Office of Economic Policy and Public Diplomacy, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, at (202) 647-2231 or FreudenwaldDJ@state.gov.

Dated: June 29, 2006.

Laura Faux-Gable,

Office Director, Office of Economic Policy Analysis and Public Diplomacy, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Federal Highway Administration

[Docket Number FHWA-2005-22986]

Notice of Public Meetings on Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) for Statewide and Metropolitan Planning Requirements

AGENCIES: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the dates, times, and locations of six public

meetings and a national Webcast to be held in July and August 2006 concerning a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) on Statewide and Metropolitan Planning Requirements. Presentations delivered at these meetings will describe the provisions of the NPRM jointly issued by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) on June 9, 2006 to provide guidance on implementing the planning provisions of Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), the Federal surface transportation law.

DATES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for meeting dates.

ADDRESSES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for meeting locations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For FTA, Effie S. Stallsmith, Office of Planning and Environment, at Effie.Stallsmith@dot.gov or 202-366-5653, or Christopher Van Wyk, Office of Chief Counsel, 202-366-1733. For FHWA, Robert Ritter, Office of Planning, 202-493-2139. Both agencies are located at 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours for FTA are from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Office hours for FHWA are from 7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meetings listed below will provide a forum for FTA and FHWA staffs to make oral presentations on the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) for Statewide and Metropolitan Planning. Additionally, the sessions are intended to encourage interested parties and stakeholders to submit their comments directly to the official docket by the close of the public comment period on September 7, 2006, per the instructions found in the NPRM at 71 FR 33510 (June 9, 2006).

I. Meetings

The following are the 2006 Statewide and Metropolitan Planning NPRM public outreach session meeting dates and addresses:

1. Wednesday, July 19, 2006, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. eastern standard time, Atlanta, GA—Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center (auditorium), 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Atlanta, GA 30303.

2. Friday, July 21, 2006, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. eastern standard time, New York, NY—Alexander Hamilton U.S. Custom House (auditorium), One Bowling Green, New York City, NY 10004.

3. Monday, July 24, 2006, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. central standard time, Kansas City,

MO—Radisson Hotel and Suites Kansas City-City Center, 1301 Wyandotte, Kansas City, MO 64105.

4. Tuesday, August 1, 2006, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Pacific standard time, San Francisco, CA—Metropolitan Transportation Commission Building (auditorium), MetroCenter, 101 Eighth Street, Oakland, CA 94607.

5. Monday, August 7, 2006, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. central standard time, Chicago, IL—Harold Washington Library Center (Multipurpose Room—B), 400 South State Street, Chicago, Illinois 60605.

6. Wednesday, August 9, 2006, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. eastern standard time, Cambridge, MA—John A. Volpe National Transportation Systems Center (auditorium), 55 Broadway, Cambridge, MA 02142.

II. Presentations and Comment Format

Generally, there will be at least two speakers delivering a presentation of approximately 1.5 hours. Meeting participants should arrive early since each meeting is anticipated to begin promptly at the appointed time.

A. Questions and Comments

Meeting attendees will have an opportunity to pose questions to the speakers and to the group as a whole. It is the responsibility of individuals who wish for their comments to become part of the official public record to submit their comments directly to the U.S. Docket via postal mail, fax, or through the online Docket Management System (DMS) by September 7, 2006. For instructions on how to submit comments to the docket (Docket Number FHWA-2005-22986), please refer to the NPRM located at 71 FR 33510 (June 9, 2006).

B. Registration

Registration is not required for public meetings. However, in order to ensure adequate space and materials, participants are encouraged to register for one or more events online at <http://www.environment.fta.dot.gov/nprm/register.asp>.

III. Security, Building, and Parking Guidelines

Some meetings are held in Federal government buildings; therefore, Federal security measures are applicable. In planning your arrival time, we recommend allowing additional time to clear security. In order to gain access to the building and grounds, participants must display government-issued photo identification. Persons without proper identification may be denied access.

Proper identification is required to access to following four meetings:

1. Atlanta—Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center (auditorium), 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Atlanta, GA 30303.

2. New York—Alexander Hamilton U.S. Custom House (auditorium), One Bowling Green, New York City, NY 10004.

3. San Francisco—Metropolitan Transportation Commission Building (auditorium), MetroCenter, 101 Eighth Street, Oakland, CA 94607.

4. Cambridge—John A. Volpe National Transportation Systems Center (auditorium), 55 Broadway, Cambridge, MA 02142.

Security measures may also include inspection of vehicles, inside and out, at the entrance to the grounds. In addition, persons entering Federal buildings must pass through a metal detector. All items are subject to inspection.

IV. Special Accommodations

All locations are ADA-accessible and sign language interpreters will be present at each meeting. Individuals attending a meeting who are hearing or visually impaired and have special requirements, or a condition that requires special assistance or accommodations, may indicate this on the online registration form or by calling Paul Christner at 617-494-3142.

V. Online Event

In addition to the NPRM outreach sessions, FHWA and FTA will conduct a national Webcast on July 13, 2006 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. eastern standard time. The Webcast will include a presentation on the NPRM, and participants will have an opportunity to submit questions electronically. Interested parties may learn more and register for the event, which is hosted by the Center for Transportation and the Environment, at <http://itre.ncsu.edu/cte/TechTransfer/Teleconferences/2006schedule.asp>.

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Sandra K. Bushue,

Deputy Administrator, Federal Transit Administration.

J. Richard Capka,

Administrator, Federal Highway Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

Sunshine Act Meetings; Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors

Pursuant to the Government in the Sunshine Act (Pub. L. 94-409) (5 U.S.C. 552b).

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

TIMES AND DATES: July 13, 2006, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., and July 14, 2006, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

PLACE: Hilton Chicago O'Hare Airport, O'Hare International Airport, Chicago, IL 60666.

STATUS: Open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: An overview of the Unified Carrier Registration Plan and Agreement requirements set forth under section 4305 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (Pub. L. 109-59, 119 Stat. 1144, August 10, 2005); and the administrative functioning of the Board.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. William Quade, (202) 366-2172, Director, Office of Safety Programs, FMCSA, or Mr. Bryan Price, (412) 395-4816, Transportation Specialist, FMCSA Pennsylvania Division Office, office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., e.t. Monday through Friday except Federal holidays.

Dated: July 3, 2006.

William Quade,

Office Director, Safety Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34893]

The Chicago, Lake Shore and South Bend Railway Company—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Norfolk Southern Railway Company

The Chicago, Lake Shore and South Bend Railway Company (CLS&SB), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to purchase and operate lines currently owned by Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NSR). The lines consist of approximately 3.2 miles of railroad between milepost UV0.0 and milepost UV2.8, and between milepost ZO9.48 and milepost ZO9.9, including any ownership interest in the spur leading