

- Development (UNCED) and World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD);
- Technical co-operation programme;
- Future role of formal safety assessment and human element issues;
- Work program of the Committee and subsidiary bodies;
- Application of the Committees' Guidelines; and
- Consideration of the report of the Committee.

Please note that hard copies of documents associated with MEPC 55 will not be available at this meeting. Documents will be available in Adobe Acrobat format on CD-ROM. To request documents please write to the address provided below, or request documents via the following Internet link: <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/mso/MOMEPC.htm>.

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. Interested persons may seek information by writing to Lieutenant Heather St. Pierre, Commandant (G-PSO-4), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW., Room 1601, Washington, DC 20593-0001 or by calling (202) 372-1432.

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Margaret Hayes,

Executive Secretary, Shipping Coordinating Committee, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5456]

Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Meeting

The Working Group on Radiocommunications and Search and Rescue (COMSAR) of the Subcommittee on Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) will conduct open meetings at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 5, November 9, December 7, 2006 and January 4, February 8, 2007. The meetings will be held in suite 1060 of the Radio Technical Commission for Maritime Services (RTCM), 1800 North Kent Street, Arlington, VA 22209. This meeting is to prepare for the Eleventh Session of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) SOLAS COMSAR Sub-Committee scheduled for the week of February 19-23, 2007 in London, England.

Members of the public may attend these meetings up to the seating capacity of the rooms. Interested

persons may seek information, including meeting room numbers, by writing: Mr. Russell S. Levin, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, Commandant (CG-622), Jemal Building Room JR10-1216, 1900 Half Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593 or by sending Internet electronic mail to rlevin@comdt.uscg.mil.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5517]

Receipt of Application for a Permit for Pipeline Facilities To Be Constructed and Maintained on the Borders of the United States

AGENCY: Department of State.

The Department of State has received an application from TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, LP ("Keystone") for a Presidential permit, pursuant to Executive Order 11423 of August 16, 1968, as amended by Executive Order 12847 of May 17, 1993, and Executive Order 13284 of January 23, 2003 to construct, connect, operate, and maintain the Keystone Pipeline Project at the U.S.-Canadian border at Cavalier County, North Dakota, for the purpose of transporting Canadian crude oil production from the Western Canadian Sedimentary Basin ("WCSB") to existing terminals in Missouri, Illinois, and potentially, Oklahoma.

TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, LP, is a limited liability company, organized under the laws of the State of Delaware. Keystone is a wholly-owned subsidiary of TransCanada Oil Pipelines Inc., a Delaware Corporation, with its principal office located at 450 1st Street, SW., Calgary, Alberta, Canada, T2P 5H1. The proposed new pipeline would consist in the U.S. of 1,018 miles of 30-inch diameter pipeline and 55 miles of 24-inch diameter pipeline ("Keystone Mainline") from the U.S.-Canadian border at Cavalier County, North Dakota, to Patoka, Illinois. If the extension to Cushing, Oklahoma ("Cushing Extension") is constructed, it will consist of an additional 291 miles of 30-inch pipeline for a total of 1365 miles of pipeline. In Canada, the project would involve the sale to Keystone of an existing 530 mile, 34-inch diameter natural gas transmission pipeline currently owned by TransCanada Limited and conversion of that line to crude oil service. In addition, Keystone

will construct 230 miles of pipeline from Hardisty to the converted line and an additional 62 miles of pipeline from the converted line to the U.S. border.

As required by E.O. 13337, the Department of State is circulating this application to concerned Federal agencies for comment.

DATES: Interested parties are invited to submit, in duplicate, comments relative to this proposal on or before September 18, 2006 to Elizabeth Orlando, Office of Environmental Policy, Department of State, Washington, DC 20520. The application and related documents that are part of the record to be considered by the Department of State in connection with this application are available for inspection in the Office of Environmental Policy during normal business hours.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elizabeth Orlando, Office of Environmental Policy, Department of State, Washington, DC 20520, telephone 202-647-4284, facsimile 202-647-1052, E-mail orlandoea2@state.gov.

Dated: August 14, 2006.

John Thompson,

Acting Director, Office of Environmental Policy, U.S. Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement; Smith County, TX

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement (EIS) will be prepared for the proposed U.S. Highway (U.S.) 69/Loop 49 North Lindale Reliever Route (LRR) project in Smith County, Texas.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Donald E. Davis, District Engineer, Federal Highway Administration—Texas Division, 300 E. 8th Street, Austin, Texas 78701, Telephone: 512-536-5960.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for a proposal to construct a Lindale Reliever Route in Smith County, Texas. The proposed improvement would involve construction of a new location roadway