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ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

Informational Meetings

AGENCY: Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

ACTION: Notice of informational meetings.

SUMMARY: The Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (Access Board) will hold two informational meetings at the dates and locations noted below. The meetings will assist the Access Board in developing accessibility guidelines under the Americans with Disabilities Act for passenger vessels. Specifically, the meetings will focus on the issue of providing accessible embarkation and disembarkation for persons with disabilities on and off passenger vessels which are subject to 46 CFR subchapters H or K, and foreign flag vessels of a comparable size and passenger capacity.

DATES: The Access Board will hold the first meeting on August 20, 2003, from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. A second meeting will be held on September 9, 2003, from 1: p.m to 5:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting on August 20 will be held at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside, Two Poydras Street, New Orleans, LA. The second meeting, on September 9 will be held at the Seattle Marriott Waterfront, 2100 Alaskan Way, Seattle, WA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Beatty, Office of Technical and Information Services, Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, 1331 F Street, NW., suite 1000, Washington, DC 20004-1111. Telephone number (202) 272-0012 (Voice); (202) 272-0082 (TTY). These are not toll-free numbers. Electronic mail address: pvag@access-board.gov. This document is available in alternate formats (cassette tape, Braille, large

print, or ASCII disk) upon request. This document is also available on the Board's Internet Site (<http://www.access-board.gov/pvagmtg.htm>).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 1998, the Access Board established an advisory committee to make recommendations on accessibility guidelines for passenger vessels. Membership included disability groups, industry organizations, State and local government agencies, and passenger vessel operators. The Passenger Vessel Access Advisory Committee held nine meetings from September 1988 to September 2000 and submitted a final report to the Board entitled "Recommendations for Accessibility Guidelines for Passenger Vessels" in December 2000. The Board has made this report widely available as a source of guidance until final guidelines are developed. The report is available on the Access Board's Web site at <http://www.access-board.gov/pvaac/commrept/index.htm>. Single copies of this publication may be obtained at no cost by calling the Access Board's automated publications order line (202) 272-0080, by pressing 2 on the telephone keypad, then 1, and requesting publication A-42 (Recommendations for Accessibility Guidelines for Passenger Vessels). Persons using a TTY should call (202) 272-0082. Please record a name, address, telephone number and request publication A-42. This document is available in alternate formats upon request. Persons who want a copy in an alternate format should specify the type of format (cassette tape, Braille, large print, or ASCII disk).

Although the advisory committee provided recommendations on a number of issues, specific recommendations regarding running slopes for gangways were not provided. (See Chapter 2 of the Recommendations for Accessibility Guidelines for Passenger Vessels report.) Because passenger vessels come in different shapes and sizes and the marine environment in which the piers are located are influenced by many factors which add to the complexities of providing access, additional information is needed on this topic before specific criteria for gangway running slopes can be proposed for public comment.

The meetings will principally focus on the issue of gangway running slopes.

As gangways are the primary method used in providing a pedestrian connection between piers and passenger vessels, the running slope of such gangways is an important access issue for persons with disabilities. In addition to gangways, the meeting will also focus on other methods used to provide access on and off passenger vessels. Issues not related to providing access on and off passenger vessels are not the subject of these meetings.

To maximize the time available, the meeting will only focus on passenger vessels which are subject to 46 CFR subchapters H or K (and foreign flag vessel of a comparable size and passenger capacity). These passenger vessels are typically larger vessels, as compared to those subject to subchapters C or T.

Interested members of the public are encouraged to contact Paul Beatty at the Access Board at (202) 272-0012 (Voice), (202) 272-0082 (TTY) or pvag@access-board.gov to pre-register to attend the informational meetings. All meetings are accessible to persons with disabilities. Sign language interpreters and an assistive listening system are available at all meetings. Persons attending the informational meetings are requested to refrain from using perfume, cologne, and other fragrances for the comfort of other participants.

Lawrence W. Roffee,

Executive Director.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Additions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Additions to Procurement List.

SUMMARY: This action adds to the Procurement List products and services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 24, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Jefferson Plaza 2, Suite 10800,

1421 Jefferson Davis Highway,
Arlington, Virginia, 22202-3259.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Sheryl D. Kennerly, (703) 603-7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 6, 2002, May 9, and May 16, 2003, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notice (67 FR 72640, 68 FR 24919, and 26566/26567) of proposed additions to the Procurement List.

After consideration of the material presented to it concerning capability of qualified nonprofit agencies to provide the products and services and impact of the additions on the current or most recent contractors, the Committee has determined that the products and services listed below are suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the products and services to the Government.

2. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the products and services to the Government.

3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the products and services proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

(End of Certification)

Accordingly, the following products and services are added to the Procurement List:

Products

Product/NSN: Fluid Element Filter,
2940-00-832-6054.

NPA: Gaston Skills, Inc., Gastonia, North Carolina.

Contract Activity: Defense Supply Center
Columbus, Columbus, Ohio.

Product/NSN: Supply Cup,
7510-00-161-6211.

NPA: The Lighthouse for the Blind in New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Contract Activity: Office Supplies & Paper Products Acquisition Center, New York, New York.

Services

Service Type/Location: Custodial Services,

Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, Hyde Park, New York.

NPA: Gateway Community Industries, Inc., Kingston, New York.

Contract Activity: National Archives & Records Administration, College Park, Maryland.

Service Type/Location: Custodial Services, U.S. Border Station, Old Champlain Farm, Champlain, New York.

NPA: Clinton County Chapter, NYSARC, Inc., Plattsburgh, New York.

Contract Activity: GSA/PBS Upstate New York Service Center, Syracuse, New York.

Service Type/Location: Janitorial/Custodial, FAA, ATCT & FSDO, Gerald Ford International Airport, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

NPA: Hope Network Services Corporation, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Contract Activity: Federal Aviation Administration, Des Plaines, Illinois.

Service Type/Location: Janitorial/Custodial, U.S. Army Reserve Center Garden Grove, Garden Grove, California.

NPA: Lincoln Training Center and Rehabilitation Workshop, South El Monte, California.

Contract Activity: 63rd Regional Support Command, Los Alamitos, California.

Service Type/Location: Janitorial/Custodial, U.S. Army Reserve Center, Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

NPA: L.E. Phillips Career Development Center, Inc., Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

Contract Activity: Headquarters, 88th Regional Support Command, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

Service Type/Location: Janitorial/Custodial, U.S. Army Reserve Center, Fairmont, West Virginia, U.S. Army Reserve Center, Grafton, West Virginia, U.S. Army Reserve Center, New Martinsville, West Virginia.

NPA: PACE Training and Evaluation Center, Inc., Star City, West Virginia.

Contract Activity: 99th Regional Support Command, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania.

Service Type/Location: Janitorial/Custodial, U.S. Army Reserve Center, Walker, Michigan.

NPA: Hope Network Services Corporation, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Contract Activity: Headquarters, 88th Regional Support Command, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

This action does not affect current contracts awarded prior to the effective date of this addition or options that may be exercised under those contracts.

Sheryl D. Kennerly,

Director, Information Management.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Additions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Proposed Additions to Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee is proposing to add to the Procurement List products and services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE: August 24, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Jefferson Plaza 2, Suite 10800, 1421 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia, 22202-3259.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sheryl D. Kennerly, (703) 603-7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 47(a) (2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments of the proposed actions. If the Committee approves the proposed additions, the entities of the Federal Government identified in the notice for each product or service will be required to procure the products and services listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. If approved, the action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the products and services to the Government.

2. If approved, the action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the products and services to the Government.

3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the products and services proposed for addition to the Procurement List. Comments on this certification are invited. Commenters should identify the statement(s) underlying the certification on which