

Committee (15 CFR part 2003), the Chairman of the TPSC invites the written comments and/or oral testimony of interested parties in public hearings on the possible market access commitments along with other issues for negotiation or further work in the WTO, as described above. Parties should not resubmit submissions presented in response to the August 1998 FR notice.

#### 4. Requests To Participate in Public Hearings

Hearings will be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, May 19–21, in Washington, D.C.; Monday and Tuesday, June 7 and 8 in Chicago, IL; Thursday and Friday, June 10 and 11 in Atlanta, GA; Monday and Tuesday, June 21 and 22 in Los Angeles, CA; and Thursday and Friday, June 24 and 25 in Dallas, TX. The number of days for each hearing may change depending on the volume of requests to testify. The time and location of the hearings will be announced at a later date.

Parties wishing to testify orally at the hearings must provide written notification or their intention by Wednesday, May 5, 1999 to Gloria Blue, Executive Secretary, Trade Policy Staff Committee, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, Room 122, 600 Seventeenth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20508. The notification should include: (1) The specific hearing to be attended; (2) name of the person presenting the testimony, their address and telephone number; and (3) a brief summary of their presentation, including the product(s), with HTSUS numbers, and/or other subjects to be discussed.

Those parties presenting oral testimony must also submit a written brief, in 20 copies, by noon, Wednesday, May 12, 1999. Remarks at the hearing should be limited to no more than five minutes to allow for possible questions from the Chairman and the interagency panel. Participants should provide thirty typed copies of their oral statement at the time of the hearings. Any business confidential material must be clearly marked as such on the cover page (or letter) and succeeding pages. Such submissions must be accompanied by a nonconfidential summary thereof.

#### 5. Written Comments

Those persons not wishing to participate in the hearings may submit written comments, in twenty typed copies, no later than noon, Wednesday, May 26, 1999 to Gloria Blue, Executive Secretary, Trade Policy Staff Committee, Office of the U.S. Trade Representatives, Room 122, 600 Seventeenth Street, NW,

Washington, DC 20508. Comments should state clearly the position taken and should describe with particularity the evidence supporting that position. Any business confidential material must be clearly marked as such on the cover page (or letter) and succeeding pages. Such submissions must be accompanied by a nonconfidential summary thereof.

Nonconfidential submissions will be available for public inspection at the USTR Reading Room, Room 101, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, 600 Seventeenth Street, NW, Washington, DC. An appointment to review the file may be made by calling Brenda Webb at (202) 395–6186. The Reading room is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**Frederick L. Montgomery,**  
*Chairman, Trade Policy Staff Committee.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### RTCA Special Committee 172; Future Air-Ground Communications in the VHF Aeronautical Data Band (118–137 MHz)

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 172 meeting to be held May 4–7, 1999, starting at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at RTCA, 1140 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Suite 1020, Washington, DC 20036.

The agenda will be as follows:  
Tuesday, May 4: (1) Plenary Convenes at 9:00 a.m. for 30 minutes; (2) Introductory Remarks; (3) Review and Approval of the Agenda. (9:30 a.m.) (4) Working Group (WG)–2, VHF Data Radio Signal-in-Space Minimum Aviation System Performance Standards, continue work on VDL Mode 3. Wednesday, May 5: (a.m.) (5) WG–2 continues work on VDL Mode 3; (p.m.) (6) WG–3, Review of VHF Digital Radio Minimum Operational Performance Standards Document progress and furtherance of work. Thursday, May 6: Plenary Reconvenes at 9:00 a.m.: (7) Review Summary Minutes of Previous Plenary of SC–172; (8) Reports from WG–2 and WG–3 on Activities; (9) Report on ICAO Aeronautical Mobile Communications Panel 6; (10) EUROCAE WG–47 Report and discuss schedule for further work with WG–3; (10) Review Issues List and Address Future Work; (11) Other Business; (12)

Dates and Places of Future Meetings; (p.m.) (13) WG–13 continues. Friday, May 7: (14) WG's Continue as Required.

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. 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 RTCA Secretariat, 1140 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Suite 1020, Washington, DC 20036; (202) 833–9339 (phone); (202) 833–9434 (fax); or <http://www.rtca.org> (web site). Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

Issued in Washington, DC, on April 8, 1999.

**Janice L. Peters,**  
*Designated Official.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements; Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following information collection was published on November 5, 1998 [63 FR 59837].

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before May 14, 1999.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nelda Bravo, LTAP Program Manager, (202) 366–9633, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Local Technical Assistance Program Extent of Coverage  
*Type of Request:* Approval of a new information collection.