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Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Request for Public Comment

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549

Extension:

Rule 10a-1, SEC File No. 270-413, OMB Control No. 3235-0475

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission (Commission) is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

Rule 10a-1 (17 CFR 240.10a-1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act) is designed to limit short selling of a security in a declining market by requiring, in effect, that each successive lower price be established by a long seller. The price at which short sales may be effected is established by reference to the last sale price reported in the consolidated system or on a particular marketplace. Rule 10a-1 requires each broker or dealer that effects any sell order for a security registered on, or admitted to unlisted trading privileges on, a national securities exchange to market the relevant order ticket either "long" or "short."

There are approximately 1,500 brokers and dealers registered with the national securities exchanges. The Commission has considered each of these respondents for the purposes of calculating the reporting burden under Rule 10a-1. Each of these approximately 1,500 registered broker-dealers effects sell orders for securities registered on or admitted to unlisted trading privileges on, a national securities exchange. In addition, each respondent makes an estimated 60,933 annual responses, for an aggregate total of 91,400,000 responses per year. Each response takes approximately .000139 hours (.5 seconds) to complete. Thus, the total compliance burden per year is 12,705 burden hours.

Written comments are invited on: (a) whether the existing collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information continues to have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the existing collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

Direct your written comments to Michael E. Bartell, Associate Executive Director, Office of Information Technology, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 5th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20549.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice No. 3088]

Shipping Coordinating Committee, Working Group for the Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic; Notice of Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, August 18, 1999, in room 6319 at U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW, Washington, DC 20593-0001. The purpose of the meeting is to finalize preparations for the 27th session of the Facilitation Committee of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), which is scheduled for 6-10 September, 1999, at the IMO Headquarters in London. Discussions will focus on papers received and draft U.S. positions.

Among other things, the items of particular interest are:

- Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic
- Consideration and Adoption of Proposed Amendments to the Annex to the Convention
- EDI Messages for the Clearance of Ships
- Application of the Committee's Guidelines
- General Review of the Convention

- Formalities Connected with the Arrival, Stay and Departure of Ships
- Formalities Related to Cargo—Facilitation Aspects of the Multimodal Transport of Dangerous Goods
- Formalities Connected with the Arrival, Stay and Departure of Persons—Stowaways
- Facilitation Aspects of Other IMO Forms and Certificates—Harmonized Reporting Format
- Ship-Port Interface
- Technical Co-Operation Sub-Programme for Facilitation

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room.

Interested persons may seek information by writing: Chief, Office of Standards Evaluation and Development, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, Commandant (G-MSR), Room 1400, 2100 Second Street, SW, Washington, DC 20593-0001 or by calling Mr. David A. Du Pont at: (202) 267-0971.

Dated: July 6, 1999.

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Executive Secretary, Shipping Coordinating Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Aviation Proceedings, Agreements Filed During the Week Ending July 2, 1999

The following Agreements were filed with the Department of Transportation under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 412 and 414. Answers may be filed within 21 days of date of filing.

Docket Number: OST-99-5897

Date Filed: June 28, 1999

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association

Subject:

PTC23 EUR-SEA 0077 dated May 28, 1999—Issuance

Mail Vote 007—Special Passenger Amending Resolution 010n from Europe to South East Asia

PTC23 EUR-SEA 0078 dated 22 June 1999—Adoption

Intended effective date: 1 September 1999

Docket Number: OST-99-5901

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Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association

Subject:

PTC23 ME-TC3 0067 dated 29 June 1999