

May 21–23, 2001, the task was discussed, and four task forces were set up to review changes and/or modifications. These task forces identified a series of modifications to the Reporting Guide/regulations for consideration. The Working Group met September 11, 2001; meeting was dismissed due to national emergency. A meeting was held November 14–15, 2001 in St. Louis, Missouri. A Task Force on Remote Control met on December 11, 2001. The working group met January 23–24, 2002, in Baltimore, Maryland, and March 12–13, 2002, in New Orleans, Louisiana. A final meeting was held April 24–25, 2002 in Washington, DC. The Working Group recommendations on the NPRM will be presented to the full RSAC on May 29, 2002. Contact: Robert Finkelstein (202) 493–6280.

Please refer to the notice published in the **Federal Register** on March 11, 1996 (61 FR 9740) for more information about the RSAC.

George A. Gavalla,

Associate Administrator for Safety.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

Notice of Application for Approval of Discontinuance or Modification of a Railroad Signal System or Relief From Requirements

Pursuant to Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 235 and 49 U.S.C. 20502(a), the following railroads have petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval for the discontinuance or modification of the signal system or relief from the requirements of 49 CFR part 236 as detailed below.

[Docket Number FRA–2002–12157]

Applicant: CSX Transportation, Incorporated, Mr. Eric G. Peterson, Assistant Chief Engineer, Signal Design and Construction, 4901 Belfort Road, Suite 130 (S/C J–370), Jacksonville, Florida 32256.

CSX Transportation, Incorporated seeks approval of the proposed modification of the signal system on the two main tracks, between milepost CK–4.49 and Parsons Yard, milepost CK–4.54, on the Columbus Subdivision, C&O Division, near Columbus. The proposed changes consist of the discontinuance and removal of Signals H46, HA45, and HB45, and conversion of the method of operation from Rule

D251 to Rule 105 between milepost CK–4.49 and milepost CK–4.54. The proposed changes are associated with the conversion of the automatic block signal system, westward from milepost CK–4.49, to a traffic control system.

The reason given for the proposed changes is to eliminate facilities no longer needed in present day operation.

Any interested party desiring to protest the granting of an application shall set forth specifically the grounds upon which the protest is made, and contain a concise statement of the interest of the party in the proceeding. Additionally, one copy of the protest shall be furnished to the applicant at the address listed above.

All communications concerning this proceeding should be identified by the docket number and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PI–401, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by the FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.–5 p.m.) at DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PI–401 (Plaza Level), 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590–0001. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the internet at the docket facility's Web site at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FRA expects to be able to determine these matters without an oral hearing. However, if a specific request for an oral hearing is accompanied by a showing that the party is unable to adequately present his or her position by written statements, an application may be set for public hearing.

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Grady C. Cothen, Jr.,

Deputy Associate Administrator for Safety Standards and Program Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket NHTSA–99–5087]

Safety Performance Standards Program Meeting

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of NHTSA rulemaking status meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a public meeting at which NHTSA will answer questions from the public and the automobile industry regarding the agency's vehicle regulatory program.

DATES: The Agency's regular public meeting relating to its vehicle regulatory program will be held on Thursday, July 18, 2002, beginning at 9:45 a.m. and ending at approximately 12 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Baltimore, on the Inner Harbor, 300 Light Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202. Questions relating to the vehicle regulatory program must be submitted in writing with a diskette (Microsoft Word) by Thursday, June 20, 2002, to the address shown below or by e-mail. If sufficient time is available, questions received after June 20, may be answered at the meeting. The individual, group or company submitting a question(s) does not have to be present for the question(s) to be answered. A consolidated list of the questions submitted by June 20, 2002, and the issues to be discussed will be posted on NHTSA's web site (www.nhtsa.dot.gov) by Monday, July 15, 2002, and also will be available at the meeting. The agency will hold a second public meeting on July 18, devoted exclusively to a presentation of research and development programs. This meeting will begin at 1:30 p.m. and end at approximately 5 p.m. This meeting is described more fully in a separate announcement. The next NHTSA Public Meeting will take place on Thursday, November 21, 2002, at the Best Western Gateway International Hotel, Romulus, Michigan.

ADDRESSES: Questions for the July 18, NHTSA Rulemaking Status Meeting, relating to the agency's vehicle regulatory program, should be submitted to Delia Lopez, NPS–01, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Room 5401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, Fax Number 202–366–4329, e-mail dlopez@nhtsa.dot.gov. The meeting will be held at the Hyatt Regency Baltimore, on the Inner Harbor, 300 Light Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202. If you need specific directions to the Hyatt Regency Baltimore, the telephone number is 410–528–1234.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Delia Lopez, (202) 366–1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NHTSA holds regular public meetings to answer questions from the public and the regulated industries regarding the agency's vehicle regulatory program. Questions on aspects of the agency's