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We shall consider all comments received before the close of business on the comment closing date indicated below. To the extent possible, we shall also consider comments filed after the closing date. We shall publish a notice of final action on the application in the **Federal Register** pursuant to the authority indicated below.

Comment closing date: February 14, 2005.

(49 U.S.C. 30113; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50. and 501.8)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George Feygin in the Office of Chief Counsel, NCC-112, (Phone: 202-366-2992; Fax 202-366-3820; E-Mail: George.Feygin@nhtsa.dot.gov).

Issued on: January 6, 2005.

Stephen R. Kratzke,

Associate Administrator for Rulemaking.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. MC-F-21009]

CUSA PCSTC, LLC d/b/a Pacific Coast Sightseeing Tours & Charters—Acquisition of Assets and Business Operations—Laidlaw Transit Services, Inc. d/b/a Roesch Lines

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.

ACTION: Notice tentatively approving finance transaction.

SUMMARY: CUSA PCSTC, LLC d/b/a Pacific Coast Sightseeing Tours & Charters (PCSTC), a motor passenger carrier (MC-463273), has filed an application under 49 U.S.C. 14303 to acquire control and operate certain assets of Roesch Lines (Roesch), a motor passenger carrier (MC-119843 (Sub-No. 11)) and subsidiary of Laidlaw Transit Services, Inc. (Laidlaw). The transaction was approved on an interim basis under 49 U.S.C. 14303(i), and the Board is now tentatively granting permanent approval. Persons wishing to oppose the application must follow the rules under 49 CFR 1182.5 and 1182.8. If no opposing comments are timely filed, this notice will be the final Board action.

DATES: Comments are due February 28, 2005. PCSTC may reply by March 14, 2005. If no comments are received by February 28, 2005, this notice is effective on that date.

ADDRESSES: Send an original and 10 copies of any comments referring to STB

Docket No. MC-F-21009 to: Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, send one copy of any comments to PCSTC's representative: Stephen Flott, Flott & Co. PC, P.O. Box 17655, Arlington, VA 22216-7655.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eric S. Davis (202) 565-1608. [Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) for the hearing impaired: 1-800-877-8339.]

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: PCSTC is a private limited liability company organized under the laws of the state of Delaware by CUSA, LLC (CUSA), a noncarrier, which is wholly owned by KBUS Holdings, LLC (KBUS), which is also a noncarrier. KBUS acquired control of over 30 motor passenger carriers formerly owned by Coach USA, Inc., and then consolidated those entities into the motor passenger carriers now controlled by CUSA.¹

Since completing the transaction approved by the Board in STB Docket No. MC-F-21000, PCSTC states that CUSA has successfully reorganized the assets and businesses acquired as a result of that transaction into a number of federally and non-federally regulated companies. Annual revenues for the CUSA group of companies for 2004 are forecast to be \$220 million. The companies in the CUSA group operate more than 1,000 coaches and 600 other revenue vehicles in 35 states and have more than 3,500 employees. PCSTC states that the experienced senior management team that CUSA now has in place has identified the acquisition of the properties and passenger services operated by Roesch as a way to expand its sightseeing and tour business in the Southern California market.

Roesch, an operating division of Laidlaw, specializes in sightseeing, tour and charter services in the Las Vegas, NV, and Southern California areas. According to PCSTC, Roesch has been unable to restore its sightseeing, tour and charter business to sufficiently profitable levels in the years following September 11, 2001, and is generating insufficient returns on invested capital. Under the proposed transaction, PCSTC seeks to permanently acquire certain assets of Roesch, that were acquired on an interim basis, including Roesch's vehicles, trade receivables, and business operations, as well as a variety of other assets. Once this transaction is consummated,² the Federal operating

¹ See *KBUS Holdings, LLC—Acquisition of Assets and Business Operations—All West Coachlines, Inc., et al.*, STB Docket No. MC-F-21000 (STB served July 23, 2003).

² The transaction is expected to close on or about January 9, 2005.

authority currently held by seller will be surrendered.

Under 49 U.S.C. 14303(b), the Board must approve and authorize a transaction it finds consistent with the public interest, taking into consideration at least: (1) The effect of the transaction on the adequacy of transportation to the public; (2) the total fixed charges that result; and (3) the interest of affected carrier employees.

PCSTC has submitted information, as required by 49 CFR 1182.2, including the information to demonstrate that the proposed transaction is consistent with the public interest under 49 U.S.C. 14303(b). PCSTC states that the proposed transaction will have no impact on the adequacy of transportation services available to the public, that the operations of the carrier involved will remain unchanged, that fixed charges associated with the proposed transaction will not be adversely impacted and that the interests of employees of Roesch will not be adversely impacted. Additional information, including a copy of the application, may be obtained from PCSTC's representative.

On the basis of the application, the Board finds that the proposed acquisition of assets is consistent with the public interest and should be authorized. If any opposing comments are timely filed, this finding will be deemed vacated and, unless a final decision can be made on the record as developed, a procedural schedule will be adopted to reconsider the application. See 49 CFR 1182.6(c). If no opposing comments are filed by the expiration of the comment period, this notice will take effect automatically and will be the final Board action.

Board decisions and notices are available on the Board's Web site at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>.

This action will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources.

It is ordered:

1. The proposed finance transaction is approved and authorized, subject to the filing of opposing comments.

2. If timely opposing comments are filed, the findings made in this notice will be deemed as having been vacated.

3. This notice will be effective on February 28, 2005, unless timely opposing comments are filed.

4. A copy of this notice will be served on: (1) The U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, 400 7th Street, SW., Room 8214, Washington, DC 20590; (2) the U.S. Department of Justice, Antitrust Division, 10th Street &

Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20530; and (3) the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of the General Counsel, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590.

Decided: January 7, 2005.

By the Board, Chairman Nober, Vice Chairman Mulvey, and Commissioner Buttrey.

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Open Meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Multilingual Initiative (MLI) Issue Committee Will Be Conducted (Via Teleconference)

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: An open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Multilingual Initiative (MLI) Issue Committee will be conducted (via teleconference). The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comments, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

DATES: The meeting will be held Tuesday, February 8, 2005 from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. e.t.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Inez E. De Jesus at 1-888-912-1227, or (954) 423-7977.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Multilingual Initiative Issue Committee will be held Tuesday, February 8, 2005 from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. e.t. via a telephone conference call. If you would like to have the TAP consider a written statement, please call 1-888-912-1227 or (954) 423-7977, or write Inez E. De Jesus, TAP Office, 1000 South Pine Island Rd., Suite 340, Plantation, FL 33324. Due to limited conference lines, notification of intent to participate in the telephone conference call meeting must be made with Inez E. De Jesus. Ms. De Jesus can be reached at 1-888-912-1227 or (954) 423-7977, or post comments to the Web site: <http://www.improveirs.org>.

The agenda will include the following: Various IRS issues.

Dated: January 7, 2005.

Tersheia Carter,

Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Open Meeting of the Wage & Investment Reducing Taxpayer Burden (Notices) Issue Committee of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: An open meeting of the Wage & Investment Reducing Taxpayer Burden (Notices) Issue Committee of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be conducted (via teleconference). The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comments, ideas and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

DATES: The meeting will be held Thursday, February 3, 2005 from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. e.t.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sallie Chavez at 1-888-912-1227, or (954) 423-7979.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Wage & Investment Reducing Taxpayer Burden (Notices) Issue Committee of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be held Thursday, February 3, 2005, from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. e.t. via a telephone conference call. If you would like to have the TAP consider a written statement, please call 1-888-912-1227 or (954) 423-7979, or write Sallie Chavez, TAP Office, 1000 South Pine Island Road, Suite 340, Plantation, FL 33324. Due to limited conference lines, notification of intent to participate in the telephone conference call meeting must be made with Sallie Chavez. Ms. Chavez can be reached at 1-888-912-1227 or (954) 423-7979, or post comments to the Web site: <http://www.improveirs.org>.

The agenda will include: Various IRS issues.

Dated: January 7, 2005.

Tersheia Carter,

Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Privacy Act of 1974; Systems of Records

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of proposed alterations to an existing Privacy Act System of Records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, the Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service (IRS), is proposing to add to the categories of individuals covered by the system and categories of records in the system of records entitled "Treasury/IRS 34.037—IRS Audit Trail and Security Records System." These additions will permit the IRS to monitor system resources and enable IRS to deter, deny and detect unauthorized access to internal computer hardware and software and misuse of IRS resources to access external objects, like Web sites that feature pornography, gambling, etc. The IRS is also proposing to add a routine use to the system of records to permit disclosure to contractors.

DATES: Comments must be received no later than February 14, 2005. The alterations to the system of records will be effective February 22, 2005 unless the IRS receives comments which result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the Office of Governmental Liaison & Disclosure, Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224. Comments will be made available for public inspection and copying in the Internal Revenue Service Freedom of Information Reading Room, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room 1621, Washington, DC 20224, telephone number (202) 622-5164, (not a toll-free call).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colleen Murphy, 5000 Ellin Road, C8-300, Lanham, MD 20706, (202) 283-4351 (not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Internal Revenue Service (IRS), in fulfillment of legal and regulatory obligations to protect the integrity of its computing resources and to maintain the public trust, must monitor the usage of those resources to ensure that they are proper and within the scope of the purpose for which users were granted access privileges. Review of audit trails and real time monitoring of system resources will enable IRS to deter, deny