

Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA), Pub.L. 108-173, created a new voluntary prescription drug benefit program. The MMA stipulates that Medicare beneficiaries who meet income and resource limits are eligible to receive a subsidy for this program. Medicare beneficiaries who are not automatically enrolled in the subsidy program may apply for subsidy consideration using form OMB No. 0960-0696 (SSA-1020), the Application for Help with Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Costs.

Approximately 19 million Medicare recipients will receive form SSA-1020, which includes a cover letter encouraging them to complete and return the application form to the Social Security Administration (SSA) immediately. However, there are many applicants who may not immediately return their completed applications. The earlier SSA receives subsidy applications, the more time it has to confirm information on the applications, process them, and make a subsidy determination in anticipation of the January 2006 subsidy program's beginning. For this reason, SSA plans to conduct a phone survey of individuals who received the subsidy application but did not return it to SSA. The purpose of the survey is to encourage these individuals to return the completed application to SSA. Respondents are Medicare recipients who have been mailed form SSA-1020 but have not yet returned the form.

Type of Collection: Emergency information collection (new).

Number of Respondents: 15,000,000 (maximum).

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 2.5 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 625,000 hours.

Dated: July 19, 2005.

Elizabeth A. Davidson,

Reports Clearance Officer, Social Security Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5104]

Announcement of meetings of the International Telecommunication Advisory Committee

SUMMARY: The International Telecommunication Advisory Committee announces an email meeting of ITAC Study Group D to consider a normal contribution to International

Telecommunication Union, Telecommunication Standardization Sector (ITU-T) Study Group 9, Integrated broadband cable networks and television and sound transmission. Members of the public may participate, and may join in the discussions.

The International Telecommunication Advisory Committee (ITAC) will meet by email to prepare for ITU-T Study Group 9, Integrated broadband cable networks and television and sound transmission, from August 10 to 16. The agenda constitutes consideration of a single document for submission as a normal contribution; this is not the meeting for general preparation for the SG9 meeting, which is scheduled for September 28, 2005. Discussions will be conducted by email on the SGD list. Directions for access to the document being considered and the discussion list may be obtained from Julian Minard minardje@state.gov.

Dated: July 19, 2005.

Cecily Holiday,

Director, Radiocommunication Standardization, International Communications & Information Policy, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5103]

Overseas Buildings Operations; Industry Advisory Panel: Meeting Notice

The Industry Advisory Panel of the Overseas Buildings Operations will meet on Thursday, September 22, 2005 from 09:45 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. The meeting will be held at the Department of State, 2201 C Street, NW. (entrance on 23rd Street), Loy Henderson Room, Washington, DC. The majority of the meeting is devoted to an exchange of ideas between the Department's Bureau of Overseas Buildings Operations' senior management and the panel members, on design, operations and building maintenance. Members of the public are asked to kindly refrain from joining the discussion until Director Williams opens the discussion to the public.

Due to limited seating space for members of the public, we ask that you kindly e-mail your information. To participate in this meeting, simply register by e-mail at IAPR@STATE.GOV before September 15, 2005. Your e-mail should include the following information; Date of birth, social security number, company name and

title. This information is required to issue a temporary pass to enter the building.

For questions, please contact PinzinoLE3@state.gov or call tel: 703/875-6872 Ms. Gina Pinzino; or SpragueMA@state.gov tel: 703/875-7173 for Michael Sprague.

Dated: July 13, 2005.

Charles E. Williams,

Director & Chief Operating Officer, Overseas Buildings Operations, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 34723]

Blacklands Railroad, Inc.—Lease and Operation Exemption—Union Pacific Railroad Company

Blacklands Railroad, Inc. (BLR), a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to lease from Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) and operate a segment of rail line known as the Commerce Branch. The segment extends approximately 7.9 miles from milepost 481.5 near Mt. Pleasant, TX, to milepost 489.40 near Winfield, TX. The transaction will enable BLR to interchange traffic with UP in Mt. Pleasant.

BLR states that its projected revenues as a result of this transaction will not exceed those that would qualify it as a Class III rail carrier, and certifies that its projected annual revenues will not exceed \$5 million. The transaction was scheduled to be consummated on or shortly after July 6, 2005.

If the notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the transaction.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 34723, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Wayne Defebaugh, 641 Church St., Sulphur Springs, TX 75482.

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

Decided: July 19, 2005.