

line between Oceanside, CA, and Escondido, CA. *See Statement of Agency Policy Concerning Jurisdiction Over the Safety of Railroad Passenger Operations and Waivers Related to Shared Use of the Tracks of the General Railroad System by Light Rail and Conventional Equipment*, 65 FR 42529 (July 10, 2000). *See also Joint Statement of Agency Policy Concerning Shared Use of the Tracks of the General Railroad System by Conventional Railroads and Light Rail Transit Systems*, 65 FR 42626 (July 10, 2000).

On February 3, 2005, NCTD submitted an additional request for relief from the following elements of Part 223 (Safety Glazing Standards—Locomotive, Passenger Cars and Caboose) and Part 229 (Railroad Locomotive Safety Standards). On April 18, 2006, FRA gave conditional relief concerning Part 233 but denied NCTD's request under part 229 concerning headlight intensity.

The NCTD has further advanced the design of the SPRINTER cars and is requesting relief for regulations from which it hereby seeks waivers: 49 CFR Part 229 Railroad Locomotive Safety Standards, § 229.125(a) [headlights] and § 229.125(d)(2) [auxiliary lights]. Since FRA has not yet completed its investigation of NCTD's petition, the agency takes no position at this time on the merits of NCTD's stated justifications.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings because two public hearings concerning NCTD's waiver requests have been held to date. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA in writing within 15 days of the date of this notice, and must specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (e.g., Waiver Petition Docket Number 2002-11809) and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, DOT Docket Management Facility, Room PL-401 (Plaza Level), 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Communications received within 30 days of the date of this notice will be considered by 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 the above facility. 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>.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000, (Volume 65, Number 70, Pages 19477–78). The statement may also be found at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

#### Notification of Extension of Comment Period

In accordance with 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 236.913(e)(1), the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) gave notice that it had received a petition for approval of a Product Safety Plan (PSP) from BNSF Railway Company (BNSF), submitted pursuant to 49 CFR part 236, subpart H. 71 FR 11014. FRA placed the PSP and supporting documentation in Docket Number FRA-2006-23687. FRA also gave notice that it would accept comments on the petition for approval for the PSP, as required by 49 CFR 236.913(e)(2) for 90 days subsequent to the publication of the notice. That comment period ended on May 31, 2006. FRA is reopening the docket for comment to allow the public time to analyze and comment on revisions to that PSP and supporting documents recently submitted by BNSF in response to the FRA letter of March 8, 2006 (Docket Number FRA-2006-23687-7).

Interested parties are invited to participate in this safety review by providing written information or comments pertinent to FRA's consideration of the above petition for approval of a Product Safety Plan. All communications concerning this safety review should identify the appropriate docket number (e.g., Petition for Approval Docket Number FRA-2006-23687) and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PL-401, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

Communication received within 30 days of the date of this notice will be considered by FRA to the extent practicable. All written communications concerning this safety review are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.–5 p.m.) at the above facility. 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>.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all the comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477–78). The Statement may also be found at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. MC-F-21018]<sup>1</sup>

#### CUSA GCBS, LLC d/b/a Goodall's Charter Bus Service—Acquisition of Assets and Business Operations—Comartin Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Contactours

**AGENCY:** Surface Transportation Board, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice tentatively approving finance transaction.

**SUMMARY:** CUSA GCBS, LLC d/b/a Goodall's Charter Bus Service (CUSA GCBS or Applicant), a federally regulated motor carrier of passengers (MC-463173), has filed an application under 49 U.S.C. 14303 to purchase the assets and business operations of Comartin Enterprises, Inc. (formerly known as San Diego Mini Tours, Inc.) d/b/a Contactours (Contactours). Applicant is not acquiring Contactours' operating authority. Persons wishing to oppose this application must follow the rules at 49 CFR 1182.5 and 1182.8. The Board has tentatively approved the

<sup>1</sup> A request for interim approval under 49 U.S.C. 14303(i) was included in this filing (STB Docket No. MC-F-21018 TA). In a decision served on June 23, 2006, temporary approval was granted, effective on the service date of the decision.

transaction, and, if no opposing comments are timely filed, this notice will be the final Board action.

**DATES:** Comments must be filed by August 21, 2006. Applicant may file a reply by September 5, 2006. If no comments are filed by August 21, 2006, this notice is effective on that date.

**ADDRESSES:** Send an original and 10 copies of any comments referring to STB Docket No. MC-F-21018 to: Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, send one copy of comments to Applicant's representative: Stephen Flott, Flott & Co. PC, PO 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:** CUSA GCBS is a private limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Delaware by CUSA, LLC (CUSA), a noncarrier, which also owns other federally regulated motor carriers of passengers and non-federally regulated companies. CUSA, in turn, is wholly owned by noncarrier KBUS Holdings, LLC (KBUS), which acquired the assets and business operations of federally regulated motor carriers formerly owned by Coach, USA, Inc., and then consolidated those assets/operations into the passenger carriers now controlled by CUSA.<sup>2</sup> Applicant states that the carriers in the CUSA group have more than 4,900 employees, operate approximately 1,500 motor coaches and over 800 other vehicles in 38 states, and had gross revenues exceeding \$250 million in 2005.

Contactours is a motor passenger carrier that operates principally in San Diego and Southern California pursuant to Federal operating authority granted in Docket No. MC-181063. According to applicant, CUSA's experienced senior management team has identified the acquisition of Contactours as a strategic way to expand its contract tour business in Southern California and to extend its Gray Line franchise operations. Applicant has entered into an agreement with Contactours to buy its assets, including vehicles, business operations, and prepaid charter trip deposits.

Under 49 U.S.C. 14303(b), the Board must approve and authorize a transaction found to be 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.

CUSA GCBS 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). Applicant states that the proposed transaction will improve the adequacy of transportation services available to the public, that the proposed transaction will not have an adverse effect on total fixed charges, and that the interests of employees of Contactours will not be adversely impacted. Additional information, including a copy of the application, may be obtained from Applicant's representative.

On the basis of the application, we find that the proposed acquisition of assets and business operations 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 our Web site at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>.

This decision 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 August 21, 2006, 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: June 29, 2006.

By the Board, Chairman Buttrey and Vice Chairman Mulvey.

**Vernon A. Williams,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Office of the Secretary

#### List of Countries Requiring Cooperation With an International Boycott

In order to comply with the mandate of section 999(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the Department of the Treasury is publishing a current list of countries which require or may require participation in, or cooperation with, an international boycott (within the meaning of section 999(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986).

On the basis of the best information currently available to the Department of the Treasury, the following countries require or may require participation in, or cooperation with, an international boycott (within the meaning of section 999(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986): Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, United Arab Emirates, and Republic of Yemen.

Bahrain and Oman have been removed from this list due to actions taken by their respective governments. Iraq is not included in this list, but its status with respect to future lists remains under review by the Department of the Treasury.

Dated: June 30, 2006.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Government Securities: Call for Large Position Reports

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Financial Institutions, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury ("Department" or "Treasury") called for the submission of Large Position Reports by those entities whose reportable positions in the 4<sup>7/8</sup>% Treasury Notes of May 2008 equaled or exceeded \$2 billion as of close of business June 28, 2006.

<sup>2</sup> 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).