

in conformance with rule 69, and seeks to have it considered under the Commission's rules for expedited minor classification cases. Notice at 1; 39 CFR 3001.69. In support of this treatment, it notes that the requested change is minor. It also observes that although no particular need for expedition exists, the proposed change meets the requirements set out in the expedited rules, as it does not involve a change in any rate or fee; does not impose any additional eligibility restrictions; and will not significantly change the estimated institutional cost contribution of the affected subclasses. Request at 3.

III. Suspension Option

The Service asserts that the Commission has some discretion in handling the Request in light of current PAEA implementation activity. It observes:

While the formal thrust of this Request would extend expiration of RPN provisional service until April 3, 2008, the Postal Service would also support another procedural option. The Commission could suspend all activity in this docket until PAEA implementation matures sufficiently to illuminate other options for moving forward, or until a further request involving RPNs is filed. The Postal Service is prepared to defer to the Commission's preference here.

Id. at 2. The Service addresses additional issues related to suspension in the accompanying Notice. Notice at 2.

IV. Preliminary Procedural Steps

The Commission's rules for expedited minor classification cases set out several pre-established deadlines designed to foster expedition. For example, rule 69 requires that the Commission issue notice of the proceeding within 5 days of the Service's filing. This notice, among other things, must afford interested persons 15 days after filing of the Postal Service's request to intervene and to respond to the Postal Service's proposal to have its Request considered under rule 69 procedures. Consistent with this requirement, intervention shall be allowed until April 20, 2007. Intervenor seeking a hearing on issues raised in the Request shall identify the fact or facts in the Postal Service filing that require a hearing.

To assist the Commission in determining an appropriate course of action, intervenors, in addition to addressing the appropriateness of using the expedited rules in this proceeding, are invited to address the Service's suggestion that suspension is an appropriate option; the Service's conditional Motion for Waiver; and the possibility of settlement. These

pleadings, which may be combined, are due no later than April 20, 2007.

Public participation. In conformance with section 3624(a) of title 39, the Commission designates Shelley S. Dreifuss, director of the Commission's Office of the Consumer Advocate, to represent the interests of the general public in this proceeding. Pursuant to this designation, Ms. Dreifuss will direct the activities of Commission personnel assigned to assist her and, upon request, will supply their names for the record. Neither Ms. Dreifuss nor any of the assigned personnel will participate in or provide advice on any Commission decision in this proceeding.

V. Ordering Paragraphs

It is ordered:

1. The Commission establishes Docket No. MC2007-2 to consider the Postal Service Request referred to in the body of this order.

2. The Commission will act *en banc* in this proceeding.

3. Notices of intervention shall be filed no later than April 20, 2007.

4. Responses to the Service's request for consideration of its Request under rule 69 are due no later than April 20, 2007.

5. Comments on the Service's suggestion that suspension of this docket is a procedural option are due no later than April 20, 2007.

6. Answers to the Service's Conditional Motion for Waiver are due no later than April 20, 2007.

7. Comments on the appropriateness of authorizing settlement procedures in this proceeding are due no later than April 20, 2007.

8. Shelley S. Dreifuss, director of the Commission's Office of the Consumer Advocate, is designated to represent the interests of the general public.

9. The Secretary shall cause this Notice and Order to be published in the **Federal Register**.

Issued: April 10, 2007.

By the Commission.

Garry J. Sikora,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5775]

Asia-Pacific Partnership on Clean Development and Climate; Notice of Grant Opportunity

The U.S. Department of State invites organizations interested in contributing to the Asia-Pacific Partnership's goals,

through innovative public-private partnerships, to submit concept papers for consideration under the Annual Program Statement (APS) using www.grants.gov.

Background

Australia, China, India, Japan, Korea, and the United States have established the Asia-Pacific Partnership on Clean Development and Climate to accelerate the development and deployment of clean energy technologies in their countries. The Partner countries have decided to work together and with their private sectors on energy security, national air pollution reduction, and climate change in ways that promote sustainable economic growth and poverty reduction. The Partnership involves countries that account for about half of the world's population and more than half of the world's economy and energy use.

The Partnership focuses on voluntary practical measures taken by these six countries in the Asia-Pacific region to create new investment opportunities, build local capacity, and remove barriers to the introduction of clean, more efficient technologies. It brings together key experts from the public and private sectors.

As a part of the U.S. government's participation in the Asia-Pacific Partnership on Clean Development and Climate (APP), the Department of State (DOS) is soliciting Concept Papers from organizations interested in contributing to the Partnership's goals through innovative public-private partnerships. These goals include reducing greenhouse gas emissions; advancing sustainable economic growth; reducing poverty; creating new investment opportunities; building local capacity; and improving economic and energy security.

Prospective applicants may include a wide range of Partner country organizations, from non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to commercial firms. An organization may submit no more than four (4) Concept Papers total as lead grant recipient for the entire Concept Paper process.

The DOS has requested \$26 million in Economic Support Funds (ESF) to fund Partnership activities in Fiscal Year 2007. Through this Announcement, the Department of State is soliciting proposals for activities to be undertaken in India. The Department of State is not soliciting proposals for activities to be undertaken in Australia, China, Japan, or Korea. To qualify for DOS funding under this program announcement, a proposal must demonstrate that the applicant and its partners are willing/

able to collectively contribute significant resources to the proposed program that are *at least equal to the level of resources sought from DOS*. Grants will be awarded in the range of \$200,000–\$2,000,000 (USD).

For more information about this grants opportunity, please go to: www.grants.gov and access funding opportunity number: S–OES–07–APS–0001 or e-mail APP_US@state.gov.

For more information about the Partnership, please visit: <http://www.asiapacificpartnership.org> or <http://www.state.gov/app>.

If you would like to be notified in advance of future grants opportunities under the Asia-Pacific Partnership, please e-mail your name, affiliation, phone number, and e-mail address to: APP_US@state.gov.

Additional Information

Document Type: Grants Notice.

Funding Opportunity Number: S–OES–07–APS–0001.

Opportunity Category: Discretionary.

Posted Date: April 06, 2007.

Original Closing Date for Applications: April 27, 2007.

Annual Program Statement Key Dates: April 27, 2007—Prospective applicants must submit Concept Papers using www.grants.gov by 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

May 29, 2007—DOS will send a Request for Proposal to applicants whose Concept Papers have been selected.

June 29, 2007—Prospective applicants must submit Proposals using www.grants.gov by 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

Current Closing Date for Applications: April 27, 2007.

Annual Program Statement Key Dates: April 27, 2007—Prospective applicants must submit Concept Papers using www.grants.gov by 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

May 29, 2007—DOS will send a Request for Proposal to applicants whose Concept Papers have been selected.

June 29, 2007—Prospective applicants must submit Proposals using www.grants.gov by 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

Funding Instrument Type: Grant.

Category of Funding Activity: Environment, Energy and Climate Change.

Expected Number of Awards: 100.

Estimated Total Program Funding: \$26,000,000.

Award Ceiling: \$2,000,000.

Award Floor: \$200,000.

Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement: Yes.

Dated: April 10, 2007.

Trigg Talley,

Office Director, Acting, Office of Global Change, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5776]

U.S. National Commission for UNESCO Notice of Open Teleconference Meeting

SUMMARY: The U.S. National Commission for UNESCO will meet via telephone conference on Tuesday, April 24, 2007, from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Eastern Time. The purpose of the teleconference meeting is to consider the recommendations of the Commission's Review Committee on the UNITWIN/UNESCO Chairs Program. The UNESCO Secretariat in Paris has asked to receive recommendations from member states before the end of April, thus this telephone conference is being convened on shorter notice than ordinary meetings of the Commission. The Review Committee was asked to review U.S. applications for the Chairs program, which seeks to foster cooperation between universities in different countries and to promote academic solidarity and the transfer of knowledge. The Commission also plans to discuss activities related to the U.S. National Committee for the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, as well as, discuss applications submitted to join the Associated Schools Project Network—USA list. More information on the National Commission can be found at <http://www.state.gov/p/io/unesco>. The Commission will accept brief oral comments during a portion of this conference call. Members of the public who wish to present oral comments or to listen to the conference call must make arrangements with the Executive Secretariat of the National Commission by 12 p.m. on April 23, 2007. For more information or to arrange to participate in the teleconference meeting, contact Alex Zemek, Deputy Executive Director of the U.S. National Commission for UNESCO, Washington, DC 20037. Telephone: (202) 663–0026; Fax: (202)

663–0035; E-mail: DCUNESCO@state.gov.

Alex Zemek,

U.S. National Commission for UNESCO, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Submission Deadline for International Arrival Authorizations at Chicago O'Hare International Airport for the Winter 2007 Scheduling Season

AGENCY: Department of Transportation, FAA.

ACTION: Notice of submission deadline.

SUMMARY: The FAA announces May 3, 2007, as the deadline for submitting requests for the allocation of international Arrival Authorizations at Chicago O'Hare International Airport (ORD). The FAA deadline coincides with the submission deadline established by the International Air Transport Association (IATA) for the Winter 2007 Schedule Coordination Conference. The conference covers the period of October 28, 2007 through March 29, 2008. The FAA limits scheduled arrivals at ORD from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., Central Time, Monday through Friday, and 12 p.m. to 9 p.m., on Sunday, based on runway capacity.

DATES: Requests for international Arrival Authorizations must be submitted no later than May 3, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Requests may be submitted by mail to Slot Administration Office, AGC–200, Office of the Chief Counsel, 800 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20591; facsimile: 202–267–7277; ARINC: DCAYAXD; or by e-mail to: 7-AWA-slotadmin@faa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Komal Jain, Regulations Division, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone number: 202–267–3073.

Issued in Washington, DC on April 10, 2007.

Rebecca B. MacPherson,

Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulations.

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