

declaration for Private Non-Profit organizations in the State of U.S. Virgin Islands, dated 10/29/2008, is hereby amended to include the following areas as adversely affected by the disaster.

Primary Counties: Saint John.

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008)

Herbert L. Mitchell,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No. FAA-2006-25709, Notice No. 93-87; Docket No. FAA-2008-0517, Notice No. 08-05]

Congestion Management Rules for John F. Kennedy International Airport, Newark Liberty International Airport, and LaGuardia Airport

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration.

ACTION: Notice of Slot Auction Bidder Seminar.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a Bidder Seminar for the 2009 New York Slot Auctions, pursuant to the Federal Aviation Administration's congestion management rules for John F. Kennedy International Airport, Newark Liberty International Airport, and LaGuardia Airport (Final Congestion Rules).

[Docket No. FAA-2008-0517, Notice No. 08-05 and Docket No. FAA-2006-25709, Notice No. 93-87].

DATES: The Slot Auction Bidder Seminar is scheduled for Friday, December 5, 2008, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: The Slot Auction Bidder Seminar will be held at the Marriott Crystal Gateway, 1700 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202 (in Crystal City, 5-10 minutes from Washington Reagan National Airport).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, TO RSVP OR TO CONTACT THE AGENCY REGARDING THE MEETING: Jeffrey Wharff, Office of Aviation Policy & Plans, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20591; *Phone* 202-267-3274; *Fax:* (202) 267-3278; *E-mail:* Jeffrey.Wharff@faa.gov.

To Contact the Auction Manager Regarding the Seminar: Power Auctions LLC, 1000 Potomac Street, NW., Washington, DC 20007; *Phone* 202-342-0909; *Fax:* 202-379-9054; *E-mail:* slots@powerauctions.com. Additional information about the auction can be found at: <https://www.slotauction.com/bidder-seminar>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The purpose of the Slot Auction Bidder Seminar is to provide information to all interested parties concerning the congestion management rules for LaGuardia, Kennedy and Newark Airports, what is being auctioned, how an applicant can participate in the auctions, and the associated schedule of events. It will also give attendees the opportunity to

ask questions. Key individuals from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and from Power Auctions LLC and Market Design Inc. (PA/MDI), the auction manager, will speak at the seminar.

The Bidder Seminar is open to carriers that currently have slots at the three airports, other carriers that are interested in bidding, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, and other government agencies. Each organization should limit its participation to no more than five individuals.

A limited number of hotel rooms at the Marriott Crystal Gateway at \$189 per night (singles or doubles) have been reserved for the night of December 4 for Bidder Seminar participants. Individuals should call the hotel at (703) 920-3230 and indicate that they are part of the "FAA Bidder Seminar" group. The block of hotel rooms will be held only until November 28 (or until the rooms are all reserved) and participants are advised to book early to avoid disappointment.

RSVPs for the Bidder Seminar are requested by November 28, 2008. Space at the Bidder Seminar is limited so seats are only guaranteed to those persons who RSVP.

Persons with a disability requiring special accommodations, such as an interpreter for the hearing impaired, should contact the FAA contact noted above at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the meeting.

A preliminary agenda is provided below. Information is also available at <https://www.slotauction.com/bidder-seminar>.

Time	Item
8-8:30 a.m.	Registration
8:30-8:50 a.m.	Introduction —Opening comments. —Background to the FAA Slot Auctions and rationale.
8:50-9:15 a.m.	The Slots —Description of what is being offered in the Auctions (exact slot times will not be identified at this time). —Key parameters of the slots.
9:15-10:40 a.m.	The Auction and the Auction Manager —Background on PA/MDI and its role in the Auctions. —The auction methodology and rationale. —Determining the winners of slots. —Determining the prices paid for slots.
10:40-11 a.m.	Break
11-11:30 a.m.	The Auction Software System —How to bid in the Auction. —Overview of the Auction System. —System requirements to access the Auction System.
11:30 a.m.-12 noon	Process leading up to the Auctions and post-auction process —Key dates. —Submission of Expression of Interest. —Submission of bidder deposits. —Receipt of username and password. —Training: Mock auctions.

Time	Item
12 noon–12:45 p.m.	—Live auction.
12:45–1:00 p.m.	—Post-auction process.
	Q&A
	Closing comments, including:
	—Next steps.
	—Contact details for help-desk.

Robert Robeson,

Manager, Systems & Policy Analysis Division.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Aviation Administration**

**Eleventh Meeting, Special Committee
215 Aeronautical Mobile Satellite
(Route) Services, Next Generation
Satellite Services and Equipment**

AGENCY: Federal Aviation
Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of RTCA Special
Committee 215, Aeronautical Mobile
Satellite (Route) Services, Next
Generation Satellite Services and
Equipment.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a second meeting of RTCA Special Committee 215, Aeronautical Mobile Satellite (Route) Services, Next Generation Satellite Services and Equipment.

DATES: The meeting will be held
December 10, 2008, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
December 11, 2008, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

ADDRESSES: RTCA Headquarters, 1828 L
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Kelly@accesspartnership.com

Note: Dress is Business Casual

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for a Special Committee 215 meeting. The agenda will include:

December 10, 2008*Opening Plenary Session*

- Greetings, Introductions, Administrative Remarks

- Review and Approval of Agenda for 11th Plenary
- Terms of Reference and PMC Chairman’s Report—Status Review
- Review and Approval of 10th Meeting Summary

DO–262 Normative Appendix

- Status Update of Final Draft
- PMC Approval of Final Draft

DO–270 Normative Appendix

- Report from Drafting Group
- Approval of DO–270 Normative Appendix for Final Review and Comment (FRAC)

• Sub network Operational Approval—FAA Requirements for DO–270

December 11, 2008*Closing Plenary*

- Any Other Business
- Review of Next Plenary Meeting Dates

• Adjourn
Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairmen, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

Issued in Washington, DC on November 12, 2008.

Edward Harris,

RTCA Advisory Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Surface Transportation Board**

[STB Docket No. AB–55 (Sub-No. 691X)]

**CSX Transportation, Inc.—
Abandonment Exemption—in
Worcester County, MA**

CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT), has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments* to abandon a 4.2-mile line of railroad between milepost QBU

0.0 (Fitchburg) and milepost QBU 4.2 (Leominster), in Worcester County, MA (the line).¹ The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 01420 and 01453.

CSXT has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (2) any overhead traffic can be rerouted over other lines; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the line (or by a state or local government entity acting on behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service over the line either is pending with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) or with any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of a complainant within the 2-year period; and (4) the requirements at 49 CFR 1105.7 (environmental report), 49 CFR 1105.8 (historic report), 49 CFR 1105.11 (transmittal letter), 49 CFR 1105.12 (newspaper publication), and 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) (notice to governmental agencies) have been met.

As a condition to this exemption, any employee adversely affected by the abandonment shall be protected under *Oregon Short Line R. Co.—Abandonment—Goshen*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979). To address whether this condition adequately protects affected employees, a petition for partial revocation under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) must be filed.

Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) has been received, this exemption will be effective on December 20, 2008, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues,² formal expressions of intent to

¹ By notice served and published in the **Federal Register** on May 30, 2002 (67 FR 37911), CSXT and New York Central Lines, LLC (NYC), were previously granted abandonment authority for the line under STB Docket Nos. AB–565 (Sub-No. 10X) and AB–55 (Sub-No. 616X). CSXT states that it is re-filing pursuant to 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2) because the abandonment authority has lapsed. CSXT is NYC’s successor by merger. See *CSX Corporation and CSX Transportation, Inc., Norfolk Southern Corporation and Norfolk Southern Railway Company—Control and Operating Leases/Agreements—Conrail Inc. and Consolidated Rail Corporation*, STB Finance Docket No. 33388 (Sub-No. 94) (STB served Nov. 7, 2003).

² The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised

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