

- Adoption of proposed amendments to the Annex to the Convention;
- Electronic means for the clearance of ships;
- Prevention and suppression of unlawful acts in port and at sea;
- Formalities connected with the arrival, stay and departure of persons;
- Facilitation aspects of IMO forms and certificates;
- Securing and facilitating international trade;
- Ship/port interface;
- Technical co-operation and assistance for facilitation; and
- Application of the Committee's Guidelines.

Please note that printed copies of documents associated with FAL 35 will not be available at this meeting. Documents will be available in Adobe Acrobat format on CD-ROM. To request copies of documents, please contact Mr. David Du Pont via e-mail at David.A.DuPont@uscg.mil or write to the address provided below. Please note that due to security considerations, two valid, government issued photo identifications must be presented to gain entrance to the Coast Guard Headquarters building. To facilitate the building security process, those who plan to attend should call or send an e-mail message at least two days before the SHC meeting to David.A.DuPont@uscg.mil. Interested persons may seek additional information concerning the meeting by writing to Mr. David Du Pont, Commandant (CG-523), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 2nd Street SW., Room 1400, Washington, DC 20593-0001 or by calling (202) 372-1497.

II. Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping

The SHC's Subcommittee on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping will conduct an open meeting at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 22, 2009. The meeting will be held in Room 6103 of the United States Coast Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593. The purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the fortieth session of the IMO Sub-Committee on Standards of Training and Watchkeeping (STW 40) to be held 2-6 February 2009 at the IMO's London Headquarters. The primary matters to be considered include:

- Comprehensive review of the STCW Convention and the STCW Code;
- Unlawful practices associated with certificates of competency;
- Training for seafarer safety representatives; and

- Review of the principles for establishing the safe manning levels of ships.

Please note that printed copies of documents associated with STW 40 will not be available at this meeting. The documents will be available at the meeting in portable document format (.pdf) on CD-ROM. To request documents before the meeting, please write to the address provided below, and include your name, address, phone number, and electronic mail address. Copies of the papers will be sent via electronic mail to the address provided. Interested persons may seek additional information concerning the meeting by writing to Robert Kenney, U.S. Coast Guard (CG-5221), Room 1210, 2100 2nd St., SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001 or by e-mailing Robert.F.Kenney@uscg.mil or by calling (202) 372-1408.

III. Fire Protection

The SHC's Subcommittee on Fire Protection will conduct an open meeting at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, January 27, 2009, at the Radio Technical Commission for Maritime Services (RTCM), 1800 N. Kent Street, Suite 1060, Arlington, VA 22209. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the fifty-third session of the IMO Subcommittee on Fire Protection (FP 53) to be held 16-20 February 2009 at the IMO's London Headquarters. The primary matters to be considered include:

- Performance testing and approval standards for fire safety systems;
- Comprehensive review of the Fire Test Procedures Code;
- Measures to prevent explosions on oil and chemical tankers transporting low flash-point cargoes;
- Fire resistance of ventilation ducts;
- Guidelines for drainage systems in closed vehicle and ro-ro spaces and special category spaces;
- Clarification of SOLAS chapter II-2 requirements regarding interrelation between central control station and safety centre;
- Evacuation analysis for new and existing passenger ships;
- Measures to prevent fires in engine-rooms and cargo pump-rooms;
- Development of provisions for gas-fuelled ships;
- Consideration of IACS unified interpretations;
- Fixed hydrocarbon gas detection systems on double-hull oil tankers;
- Harmonization of the requirements for the location of entrances, air inlets and openings in the superstructures of tankers;

- Amendments to SOLAS chapter II-2 related to the releasing controls and means of escape for spaces protected by fixed carbon dioxide systems;
- Means of escape from machinery spaces;
- Explanatory notes for the application of the safe return to port requirements;
- Review of fire protection requirements for on-deck cargo areas; and
- Analysis of fire casualty records.

The Radio Technical Commission for Maritime Service is accessible by taxi and public transportation. Please refer any questions about this meeting to the meeting coordinator, Mr. Randy Eberly, by phone at (202) 372-1393 or via e-mail at randall.eberly@uscg.mil.

Dated: December 18, 2008.

Mark Skolnicki,

Executive Secretary, Shipping Coordinating Committee, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Notice of Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits Filed Under Subpart B (formerly Subpart Q) During the Week Ending November 8, 2008

The following Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits were filed under Subpart B (formerly Subpart Q) of the Department of Transportation's Procedural Regulations (*See* 14 CFR 301.201 *et seq.*). The due date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motions to Modify Scope are set forth below for each application. Following the Answer period DOT may process the application by expedited procedures. Such procedures may consist of the adoption of a show-cause order, a tentative order, or in appropriate cases a final order without further proceedings.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2008-0321.

Date Filed: November 3, 2008.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: November 24, 2008.

Description: Application of Comlux Malta Ltd. requesting an exemption and a foreign air carrier permit to conduct: (i) Foreign charter air transportation of persons, property and mail from any point or points behind any Member

State of the European Union, via any point or points in any EU Member State and via intermediate points, to any point or points in the United States and beyond; (ii) foreign charter air transportation of persons, property and mail between any point or points in the United States and any point or points in any member of the European Common Aviation Area; (iii) foreign charter air transportation of cargo between any point or points in the United States and any other point or points; (iv) other charters pursuant to prior approval requirements; and (v) charter transportation authorized by any additional route rights made available to European Community carriers in the future, to the extent permitted by Comlux Malta's homeland license on file with the Department.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2008-0339.

Date Filed: November 7, 2008.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: November 28, 2008.

Description: Application of Paragon Air Express, Inc. requesting authority to conduct scheduled passenger operations as a commuter air carrier.

Renee V. Wright,

Program Manager, Docket Operations, Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Aviation Proceedings, Agreements Filed the Week Ending November 8, 2008

The following Agreements were filed with the Department of Transportation under the Sections 412 and 414 of the Federal Aviation Act, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1383 and 1384) and procedures governing proceedings to enforce these provisions. Answers may be filed within 21 days after the filing of the application.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2008-0332.

Date Filed: November 4, 2008.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: TC2 Within Middle East, Resolutions and Specified Fares Tables, (Memo 0189)

Minutes: TC2 Within Middle East, (Memo 0190)

Intended Effective Date: 1 May 2009.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2008-0325.

Date Filed: November 4, 2008.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: TC2 Within Middle East, Special Passenger Amending Resolution, From Iran (IR) to (IQ), (Memo 0191)

Intended Effective Date: 12 November 2009.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2008-0326.

Date Filed: November 4, 2008.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: Technical Correction: Mail Vote 579—Resolution 010h, TC3 Special Passenger Amending Resolution, From Brunei Darussalam to Japan, (Memo 1245)

Intended effective date: 17 November 2008.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2008-0327.

Date Filed: November 4, 2008.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: TC23/123 Africa-South Asian Subcontinent, Resolutions and Specified Fares Tables, (Memo 0391)

Intended Effective Date: 1 April 2009.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2008-0331.

Date Filed: November 4, 2008.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: TC23/123 Africa-TC3 (except South West Pacific), Areawide Resolutions, (Memo 0393)

Intended Effective Date: 1 April 2009.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2008-0334.

Date Filed: November 4, 2008.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: TC23/123 Africa-Japan, Korea, Resolutions and Specified Fares Tables, (Memo 0394)

Minutes: TC23/123 Middle East, Africa-TC3 Minutes, (Memo 0395)

Technical Correction: TC23/123 Africa-Japan, Korea, Resolutions and Specified Fares Tables, (Memo 0396)

Intended Effective Date: 1 April 2009.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2008-0335.

Date Filed: November 4, 2008.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: TC23/123 Middle East-TC3 (except South West Pacific), Areawide Resolutions, (Memo 0393)

Minutes: TC23/123 Middle East, Africa-TC3 Minutes, (Memo 0397)

Intended Effective Date: 1 April 2009.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2008-0336.

Date Filed: November 4, 2008.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: TC23/123 Middle East-South Asian Subcontinent, Resolutions and Specified Fares Tables, (Memo 0394)

Minutes: TC23/123 Middle East, Africa-TC3 Minutes, (Memo 0397)

Intended Effective Date: 1 April 2009.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2008-0337.

Date Filed: November 4, 2008.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: TC23/123 Middle East-South East Asia, Resolutions and Specified Fares Tables, (Memo 0395)

Minutes: TC23/123 Middle East, Africa-TC3 Minutes, (Memo 0397)

Intended Effective Date: 1 April 2009.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2008-0338.

Date Filed: November 4, 2008.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: TC23/123 Middle East-Japan, Korea, Resolutions and Specified Fares Tables, (Memo 0396)

Minutes: TC23/123 Middle East, Africa-TC3 Minutes, (Memo 0397)

Intended Effective Date: 1 April 2009.

Renee V. Wright,

Program Manager, Docket Operations, Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of OMB Approvals.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.) and 5 CFR 1320.5(b), this notice announces that new information collections requirements (ICRs) listed below have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). These new ICRs pertain to 49 CFR Parts 214, 217, 218, 225, 232, 238, 260, and 262. Additionally, FRA hereby announces that other ICRs listed below have been re-approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). These ICRs pertain to Parts 214, 220, 224, 225, 229, 234, 236, 238, 240, and 244. The OMB approval numbers, titles, and expiration dates are included herein under supplementary information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS-21, Federal