

before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 35252, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Charles A. Spitulnik, 1001 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Suite 800, Washington, DC 20036.

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

Decided: September 3, 2009.

By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Jeffrey Herzig,

Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Ex Parte No. 670 (Sub-No. 3)]

Renewal of Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent to renew charter.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended 5 U.S.C., App. (FACA), notice is hereby given that the Surface Transportation Board (Board) intends to renew the charter of the Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee (RETAC).

ADDRESSES: A copy of the charter is available at the Library of the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001, and on the Board's Web site at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Scott Zimmerman, Designated Federal Official, at (202) 245-0202. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at: (800) 877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: RETAC was established by the Board on September 24, 2007, to provide advice and guidance to the Board, on a continuing basis, and to provide a forum for the discussion of emerging issues and concerns regarding the transportation by rail of energy resources, particularly but not necessarily limited to coal, ethanol and other biofuels. RETAC functions solely

as an advisory body, and will comply with the provisions of FACA, and its implementing regulations.

RETAC consists of approximately 25 voting members, excluding the governmental representatives. The membership comprises a balanced representation of individuals experienced in issues affecting the transportation of energy resources, including not less than: 5 representatives from the Class I railroads; 3 representatives from Class II and III railroads; 3 representatives from coal producers; 5 representatives from electric utilities (including at least one rural electric cooperative and one state- or municipally-owned utility); 4 representatives from biofuel feedstock growers or providers, and biofuel refiners, processors and distributors; and 2 representatives from private car owners, car lessors, or car manufacturers. These members are serving in a representative capacity for this Committee. The Committee may also include up to 3 members with relevant experience but not necessarily affiliated with one of the aforementioned industries or sectors. STB Board Members are ex officio (non-voting) members of RETAC.

RETAC meets approximately four times a year, and meetings are open to the public, consistent with the Government in the Sunshine Act, Public Law 94-409.

Further information about the RETAC is available on the Board's Web site at <http://www.stb.dot.gov> and at the GSA's FACA Database—<https://www.fido.gov/facadatabase/public.asp>.

This action will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources.

Dated: September 3, 2009.

Jeffrey Herzig,

Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY

Office of the General Counsel; Appointment of Members of the Legal Division to the Performance Review Board, Internal Revenue Service

Under the authority granted to me as Chief Counsel of the Internal Revenue Service by the General Counsel of the Department of the Treasury by General Counsel Order No. 21 (Rev. 4), pursuant to the Civil Service Reform Act, I have appointed the following persons to the Legal Division Performance Review Board, Internal Revenue Service Panel:

1. Chairperson, Bernard J. Knight, Acting General Counsel (Department of Treasury).

2. Paul D. DeNard, IRS, Deputy Commissioner (Operations) (Large and Mid Size Business).

3. Faris R. Fink, IRS, Deputy Commissioner (Small Business/Self Employed).

This publication is required by 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4).

Dated: August 8, 2009.

William J. Wilkins,

Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service.

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UNITED STATES SENTENCING COMMISSION

Sentencing Guidelines for United States Courts

AGENCY: United States Sentencing Commission.

ACTION: Notice of final priorities.

SUMMARY: In June 2009, the Commission published a notice of possible policy priorities for the amendment cycle ending May 1, 2010. *See* 74 FR 29737 (June 23, 2009). After reviewing public comment received pursuant to the notice of proposed priorities, the Commission has identified its policy priorities for the upcoming amendment cycle and hereby gives notice of these policy priorities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Courlander, Public Affairs Officer, Telephone: (202) 502-4590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The United States Sentencing Commission is an independent agency in the judicial branch of the United States Government. The Commission promulgates sentencing guidelines and policy statements for Federal sentencing courts pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 994(a). The Commission also periodically reviews and revises previously promulgated guidelines pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 994(o) and submits guideline amendments to the Congress not later than the first day of May each year pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 994(p).

As part of its statutory authority and responsibility to analyze sentencing issues, including operation of the Federal sentencing guidelines, the Commission has identified its policy priorities for the amendment cycle ending May 1, 2010. The Commission recognizes, however, that other factors, such as the enactment of any legislation requiring Commission action, may affect the Commission's ability to complete