

14506(b)(3). ATA's petitions seeking determinations, along with the applicable statutes, regulations and ordinances, are available in the docket established for this Notice for inspection.

#### Request for Comments

FMCSA invites the three affected jurisdictions, as well as any other interested party, to comment on the limited issue of whether New Jersey's, New York City's, and/or Cook County's credential display requirements are preempted in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 14506. Interested parties are requested to limit their comments to this issue. FMCSA has no authority to review the imposition, amounts, or collection of any taxes for which the credentials are issued. FMCSA encourages commenters to submit data or legal authorities supporting their position.

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**Rose A. McMurray,**

*Acting Deputy Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

#### International Standards on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is to advise interested persons that PHMSA will conduct a public meeting in preparation for the 36th session of the United Nations Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (UNSCOE TDG) to be held November 30–December 9, 2009 in Geneva, Switzerland. During this meeting, PHMSA is also soliciting comments relative to potential new work items which may be considered for inclusion in its international agenda.

#### Information Regarding The UNSCOE TDG Meeting

**DATES:** Tuesday, November 10, 2009; 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the DOT Headquarters, West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590.

*Conference Call Capability/Live Meeting Information:* Conference call-in

and “live meeting” capability will be provided for this meeting. Specific information on call-in and live meeting access will be posted when available at <http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/regs/international>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Duane Pfund, Director, Office of International Standards or Mr. Shane Kelley, International Transportation Specialist, Office of Hazardous Materials Safety, Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590; (202) 366–0656.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The primary purpose of this meeting will be to prepare for the 36th session of the UNSCOE TDG, which is the second meeting of the current 2009–2010 biennium. The UNSCOE will consider proposals for the 17th Revised Edition of the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods Model Regulations which will come into force in the international regulations beginning January 1, 2013. Topics on the agenda for the UNSCOE TDG meeting include:

- Explosives and related matters.
- Listing, classification and packing.
- Electric storage systems.
- Miscellaneous proposals of amendments to the Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods.
  - Electronic data interchange (EDI) for documentation purposes.
  - Cooperation with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).
  - Global harmonization of transport of dangerous goods regulations with the Model Regulations.
  - Guiding principles for the Model Regulations.
  - Issues relating to the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS).

In addition, PHMSA is soliciting comments on how to further enhance harmonization for international transport of hazardous materials. PHMSA has finalized a broad international strategic plan and welcomes input on items which stakeholders believe should be included as specific initiatives within this plan. PHMSA's Office of International Standards Strategic Plan can be accessed at: <http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/regs/international>.

The public is invited to attend without prior notification. Due to the heightened security measures participants are encouraged to arrive early to allow time for security checks necessary to obtain access to the building. Following the 36th session of the UNSCOE TDG, PHMSA will place a copy of the Sub-Committee's report and

a summary of the results on PHMSA's Hazardous Materials Safety Homepage at <http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/regs/international>.

#### Documents

Copies of documents for the UNSCOE TDG meeting and the meeting agenda may be obtained by downloading them from the United Nations Transport Division's Web site at: <http://www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/dgsubc/c32009.html>. PHMSA's site at <http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/regs/international> also provides additional information regarding the UNSCOE TDG and related matters such as summaries of decisions taken at previous sessions of the UNSCOE TDG.

**Dr. Magdy El-Sibaie,**

*Acting Deputy Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee—New Task

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of new task assignment for the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC)—Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee Process Improvement.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA assigned the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) a new task to provide advice and recommendations to the FAA about the current ARAC process. This notice informs the public of the new ARAC activity.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Pamela Hamilton, Office of Rulemaking, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone: 202–267–8742, facsimile: 202–267–5075; e-mail [pam.hamilton@faa.gov](mailto:pam.hamilton@faa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

The Secretary of Transportation determined the formation and use of an advisory committee to serve as a forum for the FAA to get input from outside the Federal Government on major regulatory issues facing the agency. As a result, the FAA established ARAC.

ARAC is a formal standing advisory committee made up of representatives from aviation associations, aviation industry, public interest groups,

advocacy groups, and interested members of the public. It is composed of a full committee, Executive Committee, issue areas, and working groups (which also include task groups). ARAC's objectives are to improve development of the FAA's regulations by providing information, advice, and recommendations related to aviation issues. The objective includes FAA working with industry and the public to obtain advice and recommendations on the Committee process.

Members of the Executive Committee have suggested there may be more effective means of achieving ARAC's objectives and requested a working group be established to develop possible process improvements. In December 2008, the FAA invited the Executive Committee (EXCOM) to provide input and ideas as part of its effort to reinvigorate the ARAC process.

The June 2009 EXCOM meeting included a presentation of solicited ideas, and proposed actions for the Executive Committee to consider. This notice advises the public that the FAA has assigned, and EXCOM has accepted, a task to recommend improvements to the ARAC process.

#### The Task

The FAA has tasked the ARAC working group to do the following:

1. Review the ARAC process;
2. Review working group and ARAC experiences with the process;
3. Develop recommendations for process improvements; and
4. Forward recommendations to the ARAC Executive Committee for review and approval.

*Schedule:* The task must be completed no later than 12 months after the first working group meeting.

#### ARAC Acceptance of Task

The ARAC Executive Committee has accepted the task and assigned it to the ARAC Process Improvement Working Group. The working group serves as staff to ARAC and assists in the analysis of the assigned task. ARAC must review and approve the working group's recommendations. If ARAC accepts the working group's recommendations, it will send them to the FAA.

#### Working Group Activity

The ARAC Process Improvement Working Group must comply with the procedures adopted by ARAC. As part of the procedures, the working group must:

1. Recommend a work plan for completion of the task, including the rationale supporting such a plan, for consideration at the next ARAC

Executive Committee meeting held following publication of this notice.

2. Give a detailed conceptual presentation of the proposed recommendations, prior to proceeding with the work stated in item 3 below.

3. Draft the appropriate documents and required analyses and/or any other related materials or documents.

4. Provide a status report at each meeting of the ARAC Executive Committee.

#### Participation in the Working Group

The ARAC Process Improvement Working Group has been established. However, if you wish to become a member of the working group, write to the person listed under the caption **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** expressing that desire. Describe your interest in the task and state the expertise you would bring to the working group. We must receive all requests by November 18, 2009. The Executive Committee and the FAA will review the requests and advise you whether or not your request is approved.

If you are chosen for membership on the working group, you must actively participate in the working group by attending all meetings and providing written comments when requested to do so. You must devote the resources necessary to support the working group in meeting any assigned deadlines. Members will not be added or substituted without the approval of the FAA and the working group chair once the working group has begun deliberations.

ARAC meetings are open to the public. However, ARAC Process Improvement Working Group meetings are not open to the public, except to the extent individuals with an interest and expertise are selected to participate. The FAA will make no public announcement of working group meetings.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 13, 2009.

**Pamela Hamilton-Powell,**

*Executive Director, Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE-2009-44]

#### Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of petition for exemption received.

**SUMMARY:** This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of 14 CFR. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA's regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

**DATES:** Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received on or before November 3, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** You may send comments identified by Docket Number FAA-2009-0891 using any of the following methods:

- *Government-wide rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.
- *Mail:* Send comments to the Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
- *Fax:* Fax comments to the Docket Management Facility at 202-493-2251.
- *Hand Delivery:* Bring comments to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

*Privacy:* We will post all comments we receive, without change, to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information you provide. Using the search function of our docket Web site, anyone can find and read the comments received into any of our dockets, including the name of the individual sending the comment (or signing the comment for an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-78).

*Docket:* To read background documents or comments received, go to