B. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Burden on Competition

OneChicago does not believe that the proposed rule change will have an impact on competition.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others

Comments on the OneChicago proposed rule change have not been solicited and none have been received.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

The proposed rule change will become effective on December 23, 2009. Within 60 days of the date of effectiveness of the proposed rule change, the Commission, after consultation with the CFTC, may summarily abrogate the proposed rule change and require that the proposed rule change be refiled in accordance with the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) of the Act. 15 CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change, as amended, is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic Comments
• Use the Commission’s Internet comment form (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or
• Send an e-mail to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR–OC–2009–04 on the subject line.

Paper Comments
• Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549–1090. All submissions should refer to File Number SR–OC–2009–04. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission’s Internet Web site (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission’s Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR–OC–2009–04 and should be submitted on or before February 11, 2010.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority. Florence E. Harmon, Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Invitation for Recommendations for U.S. Authors and Reviewers to the Fifth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)

ACTION: Invitation for recommendations for U.S. authors and reviewers to the Fifth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC).

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of State invites recommendations for qualified U.S. experts to serve as authors or reviewers of the Fifth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), which will be developed and finalized over the coming four years.

DATES: Qualified U.S. experts wishing to be considered for nomination should submit an electronic application and supporting material conforming to the information specified at http://www.globalchange.gov by February 15th, 2010.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The IPCC is an intergovernmental body that oversees the development of assessments on the state of knowledge on climate change by scientific and technical experts. In order to fulfill this role, the IPCC produces comprehensive assessment reports at regular intervals on major aspects of climate change and responses to it. These reports have been widely used as key references for the state of knowledge on climate change, including in international climate discussions under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). The United States has played a leading role in the IPCC since its inception, through official contributions and key leadership positions in IPCC report development, as well as through the contributions of many U.S. scientist and experts to the reports themselves. The Fourth Assessment Report was completed in November 2007.

Over 100 governments and organizations participate in the IPCC process that oversees the development of the comprehensive assessments. Governments develop and approve plans for reports, and nominate experts as lead authors and reviewers. Draft reports go through reviews by experts and governments, and IPCC member governments accept each final report, and approve their executive summaries (known as a “summary for policy makers”) in a formal session of the IPCC. Three volumes are prepared under the auspices of three working groups. Working Group I assesses the scientific aspects of the climate system and climate change; Working Group II assesses the vulnerability of socio-economic and natural systems to climate change, negative and positive consequences of climate change, and options for adapting to it; and Working Group III assesses options for limiting greenhouse gas emissions and otherwise mitigating climate change. A fourth, shorter volume synthesizes the material found in the three working group volumes. IPCC reports are prepared by author teams consisting of scientists and technical experts according to agreed principles and procedures, which specify the responsibilities of authors and reviewers in the development of IPCC reports. Copies of completed reports, as well as the IPCC’s principles and procedures and related information, can be found at http://www.ipcc.ch.

At the 31st session of the IPCC (Bali—26–29 October, 2009), delegates accepted the overall outline and the work program for the Fifth Assessment Report. Volumes of the report will be finalized in 2013 and 2014. The IPCC has formally requested that governments and participating organizations...
nominate experts to serve as lead authors and reviewers of the various chapters of the report. To respond to this request, the U.S. Government is soliciting recommendations from any interested Federal, academic, non-governmental, or private sector entity. The U.S. government will review proposed nominations and develop a slate of nominees for forwarding to IPCC. Given the large number of individuals that are typically nominated by different member countries of the IPCC, selection as a U.S. nomination does not guarantee selection as an IPCC author.

Further information, including the IPCC request for nominations, the approved outlines of the three IPCC working groups for the AR5, a description of the roles and responsibilities associated with them, and a nomination form that must be completed for each nominee, may be found at either the IPCC Secretariat Web site (http://www.ipcc.ch) or USGCRP Web site (http://www.globalchange.gov/)


Trigg Talley, Director, Office of Global Change, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Office of the Secretary

Notice of Funding Availability for the Small Business Transportation Resource Center Program

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Transportation (OST), Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of Funding Availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation (DOT), Office of the Secretary (OST), Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) announces the opportunity for: (1) Business centered community-based organizations; (2) transportation-related trade associations; (3) colleges and universities; (4) community colleges or; (5) chambers of commerce, registered with the Internal Revenue Service as 501C(6) or 501C(3) tax-exempt organizations, to compete for participation in OSDBU’s Small Business Transportation Resource Center (SBTRC) program in the Southwest Region, the South Atlantic Region, and the Mid-South Atlantic Region. The Central, Great Lakes, Gulf, Mid Atlantic, Northeast, Northwest, and Southeast Regions will be competed at a later date as their cooperative agreements expire. A new West Central Region will also be competed at that time.

OSDBU will enter into Cooperative Agreements with these organizations to outreach to the small business community in their designated region and provide financial and technical assistance, business training programs, such as, business assessment, management training, counseling, technical assistance, marketing and outreach, and the dissemination of information, to encourage and assist small businesses to become better prepared to compete for, obtain, and manage DOT funded transportation-related contracts and subcontracts at the federal, state and local levels.

Throughout this notice, the term “small business” will refer to: (a), Disadvantaged business enterprises (DBE), women owned small business (WOB), HubZone, service disabled veteran owned business (SDVOB), and veteran owned small business (VOSB).

Throughout this notice, “transportation-related” is defined as the maintenance, rehabilitation, restructuring, improvement, or revitalization of any of the nation’s modes of transportation.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 20.910 Assistance to small and disadvantaged businesses.

Type of Award: Cooperative Agreement Grant.

Award Ceiling: $138,000.
Award Floor: $128,000.

Program Authority: DOT is authorized under 49 U.S.C. 332(b)(4), (5) & (7) to design and carry out programs to assist small disadvantaged businesses in getting transportation-related contracts and subcontracts; develop support mechanisms, including management and technical services, that will enable small disadvantaged businesses to take advantage of those business opportunities; and to make arrangements to carry out the above purposes.

DATES: Complete Proposals must be electronically submitted to OSDBU via email on or before February 16, 2010, 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. Proposals received after the deadline will be considered non-responsive and will not be reviewed. The applicant is advised to turn on request delivery receipt notification for email submissions. DOT plans to give notice of awards for the competed regions on or before the following dates:

Southwest Region February 28, 2010
South Atlantic Region March 31, 2010
Mid-South Atlantic Region March 31, 2010

ADDRESSES: Applications must be electronically submitted to OSDBU via e-mail at SBTRC@dot.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: For further information concerning this notice, contact Mr. Arthur D. Jackson, U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., W56–462, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 1–800–532–1169. E-mail: art.jackson@dot.gov.

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1. Introduction
1.1 Background

The United States Department of Transportation (DOT) established the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) in accordance with Public Law 95–507, an amendment to the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958.

The mission of OSDBU at DOT is to ensure that the small and disadvantaged business policies and goals of the Secretary of Transportation are developed and implemented in a fair, efficient and effective manner to serve small and disadvantaged businesses throughout the country. The OSDBU also administers the provisions of Title 49, Section 332, the Minority Resource Center (MRC) which includes the duties of advocacy, outreach and financial services on behalf of small and disadvantaged business and those certified under CFR 49 parts 23 and or