6. Program evaluation: The proposal should include a plan to evaluate the activity’s success, both as the activities unfold and at the end of the program. The proposal should include a draft survey questionnaire or other technique plus description of a methodology to use to link outcomes to original project objectives. The grant recipient will be expected to submit intermediate reports after each project component is concluded.

7. Cost-effectiveness and cost sharing: The applicant should demonstrate efficient use of Bureau funds. The overhead and administrative components of the proposal, including salaries and honoraria, should be kept as low as possible. All other items should be necessary and appropriate. The proposal should maximize cost-sharing through other private sector support as well as institutional direct funding contributions, which demonstrates institutional and community commitment.

VI. Award Administration Information

VI.1a. Award Notices

Final awards cannot be made until funds have been appropriated by Congress, allocated and committed through internal Bureau procedures. Successful applicants will receive a Federal Assistance Award (FAA) from the Bureau’s Grants Office. The FAA and the original proposal with subsequent modifications (if applicable) shall be the only binding authorizing document between the recipient and the U.S. Government. The FAA will be signed by an authorized Grants Officer, and mailed to the recipient’s responsible officer identified in the application. Unsuccessful applicants will receive notification of the results of the application review from the ECA program office coordinating this competition.

VI.2. Administrative and National Policy Requirements

Terms and Conditions for the Administration of ECA agreements include the following:


Office of Management and Budget Circular A–21, “Cost Principles for Educational Institutions.”


OMB Circular No. A–102, Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants-in-Aid to State and Local Governments.

OMB Circular No. A–133, Audits of States, Local Government, and Nonprofit Organizations

Please reference the following Web sites for additional information:

http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants.

http://fa.state.gov.

VI.3. Reporting Requirements

You must provide ECA with a hard copy original plus one copy of the following reports:

1. Interim program and financial reports, as required in the grant agreement;

2. A final program and financial report no more than 90 days after the expiration of the award;

3. A concise, one-page final program report summarizing program outcomes no more than 90 days after the expiration of the award. This one-page report will be transmitted to OMB, and be made available to the public via OMB’s USAspending.gov Web site—as part of ECA’s Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) reporting requirements.


Award recipients will be required to provide reports analyzing their evaluation findings to the Bureau in their regular program reports. (Please refer to IV. Application and Submission Instructions (IV.3.d.3) above for Program Monitoring and Evaluation information.

All data collected, including survey responses and contact information, must be maintained for a minimum of three years and provided to the Bureau upon request.

All reports must be sent to the ECA Grants Officer and ECA Program Officer listed in the final assistance award document.

VI.4. Program Data Requirements

Award recipients will be required to maintain specific data on program participants and activities in an electronically accessible database format that can be shared with the Bureau as required. As a minimum, the data must include the following:

1. Name, address, contact information and biographic sketch of all persons who travel internationally on funds provided by the agreement or who benefit from the award funding but do not travel.

2. Itineraries of international and domestic travel, providing dates of travel and cities in which any exchange experiences take place. Draft schedules for in-country and U.S. activities must be received by the ECA Program Officer at least three weeks prior to the beginning of the activity.

VII. Agency Contacts

For questions about this announcement, contact: Carolyn Lantz, Youth Programs Division, ECA/PE/C/PY, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20522–0503, Tel (202) 632–6421, Fax (202) 632–9355, LantzCS@state.gov.

All correspondence with the Bureau concerning this RFGP should refer to the above title and number ECA/PE/C/PY–10–42.

Please read the complete announcement before sending inquiries or submitting proposals. Once the RFGP deadline has passed, Bureau staff may not discuss this competition with applicants until the proposal review process has been completed.

VIII. Other Information

Notice

The terms and conditions published in this RFGP are binding and may not be modified by any Bureau representative. Explanatory information provided by the Bureau that contradicts published language will not be binding. Issuance of the RFGP does not constitute an award commitment on the part of the Government. The Bureau reserves the right to reduce, revise, or increase proposal budgets in accordance with the needs of the program and the availability of funds. Awards made will be subject to periodic reporting and evaluation requirements per section VI.3 above.


Maura M. Pally,
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB–6 (Sub–No. 471X)]

BNSF Railway Company—
Discontinuance of Trackage Right
Exemption—In Alameda County, CA

BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F—Exempt
Abandonments and Discontinuances of Service to discontinue trackage rights over approximately 2.04 miles of rail line owned by the Alameda Beltline Railroad (ABL), running between milepost 0.00 and 2.04, in Alameda County, CA, (the Line). ¹ The Line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Code 94501.

BNSF has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (2) no overhead traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of BNSF 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 Board or with any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of complainant within the 2-year period; and (4) the requirements at 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 discontinuance of service 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 May 1, 2010, unless stayed pending reconsideration. ² Petitions to stay that intent to file an OFA for continued rail service under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2) must be filed by April 12, 2010. ³ Petitions to reopen must be filed by April 21, 2010, with: Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423–0001.

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to BNSF’s representative: Karl Morell, Ball Janik LLP, 1455 F St., NW., Suite 225, Washington, DC 20005.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio. Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at http://www.stb.dot.gov.


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

Kulnie L. Cannon,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Office of Commercial Space Transportation; Notice of Availability and Request for Comment on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (Draft SEA) to the September 2008 Environmental Assessment for Space Florida Launch Site Operator License, Brevard County, FL

AGENCY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), lead Federal agency and United States Air Force, cooperating agency

ACTION: Notice of availability, notice of public comment period, and request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with National Environmental Policy Act regulations of 1969, as amended (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), Council on Environmental Quality NEPA implementing regulations (40 CFR parts 1500–1508), and FAA Order 1050.1E, Change 1, the FAA is announcing the availability of and requesting comments on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) to the September 2008 Environmental Assessment for Space Florida Launch Site Operator License. The Draft SEA was prepared in response to an application for a Launch Site Operator License from Space Florida. Under the Proposed Action, the FAA would issue a Launch Site Operator License to Space Florida to operate a commercial space launch site at Launch Complex 36 (LC–36) and LC–46 at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station (CCAFS) in Brevard County, Florida. The license would allow Space Florida to support vertical launches of both solid and liquid propellant launch vehicles from LC–36 and LC–46. LC–46 is the easternmost launch complex at CCAFS, located at the tip of Cape Canaveral, and LC–36 is located in the east-central portion of CCAFS. The Draft SEA addresses the potential environmental impacts of issuing a Launch Site Operator License for the Proposed Action and the No Action Alternative.

The FAA has posted the Draft SEA on the FAA Office of Commercial Space Transportation Web site at http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/cst/. In addition, copies of the Draft SEA were sent to persons and agencies on the distribution list (found in Chapter 8 of the Draft SEA). A paper copy and a CD version of the Draft SEA may be reviewed for comment during regular business hours at the following locations:

Titusville Public Library, 2121 S. Hopkins Ave., Titusville, FL 32780.

Cocoa Beach Public Library, 550 North Vreard Ave, Cocoa Beach, FL 32931.

Cape Canaveral Public Library, 201 Polk Avenue, Cape Canaveral, FL 32920.

Merritt Island Public Library, 1195 North Courtenay Parkway, Merritt Island, FL 32953.

DATES: The public comment period for the Draft SEA begins with the issuance of this Notice of Availability. The FAA encourages all interested parties to provide comments concerning the scope and content of the Draft SEA. To ensure that all comments can be addressed in the Final SEA, comments on the draft must be received by the FAA no later than April 27, 2010. Comments should be as specific as possible and address the analysis of potential environmental impacts and the adequacy of the proposed action or merits of alternatives and the mitigation being considered. Reviewers should organize their comments to be meaningful and inform the FAA of their interests and concerns by quoting or providing specific references to the text of the Draft SEA. Matters that could have been raised with specificity during the comment period on the Draft SEA may not be considered if they are raised for the first time later in the clearance process. This commenting procedure is intended to ensure that substantive comments and

¹ One of BNSF’s predecessors, The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company acquired the trackage in 1982. See The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company—Trackage Rights Exemption—Over Southern Pacific Transportation Company and Alameda Belt Line, Finance Docket No. 30073 (ICC served Dec. 28, 1982). BNSF states that ABL is in the process of selling the Line, as well as the remainder of its rail lines to the City of Alameda. See City of Alameda—Acquisition Exemption—Alameda Beltline Railroad, STB Finance Docket No. 34798 (STB served Jan. 11, 2006).
² Pursuant to 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(2), the railroad must file a verified notice with the Board at least 50 days before the abandonment or discontinuance is to be consummated. BNSF has indicated a proposed consummation date of April 27, 2010, but, because the verified notice was filed on March 12, 2010, counsel for BNSF has been notified that the earliest this transaction may be consummated is May 1, 2010.
³ Each OFA must be accompanied by the filing fee, which currently is set at $1,500. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(2)(ii).