

- Amendments to the International Maritime Solid Bulk Cargoes Code (IMSBC Code) including evaluation of properties of solid bulk cargoes.
- Casualty and incident reports and analysis.
- Guidance on protective clothing.
- Revision of the Code of Safe Practice for Ships Carrying Timber Deck Cargoes.
- Stowage of water-reactive materials.
- Review of the Guidelines for packing of cargo transport units.
- Revision of the Recommendations for entering enclosed spaces aboard ships.
- Consideration for the efficacy of Container Inspection Programme.
- Installation of equipment for detection of radioactive sources or radioactive contaminated objects in ports.
- Amendments to the International Convention for Safe Containers, 1972 and associated circulars.

The primary purpose of the September 10 meeting is to prepare for the sixty-first Session of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Marine Environmental Protection Committee (MEPC) to be held at the IMO Headquarters, United Kingdom, from September 27 to October 1, 2010. This SHC meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and be held in room 2415.

The primary matters to be considered at the MEPC meeting include:

- Harmful aquatic organisms in ballast water
- Recycling of ships
- Prevention of air pollution from ships
- Reduction of Greenhouse Gas emissions from Ships
- Consideration and adoption of amendments to mandatory instruments
- Interpretations of and amendments to MARPOL and related instruments
- Implementation of the International Convention on Oil Pollution Preparedness, Response and Cooperation (OPRC) and the OPRC—Hazardous and Noxious Substances Protocol and relevant conference resolutions
- Identification and protection of Special Areas and Particularly Sensitive Sea Areas
- Inadequacy of reception facilities
- Reports of sub-committees
- Work of other bodies
- Status of conventions
- Harmful anti-fouling systems for ships
- Promotion of implementation and enforcement of MARPOL and related instruments
- Technical Cooperation Sub-program for the Protection of the Marine Environment

- Role of the human element
- Formal safety assessment
- Noise from commercial shipping and its adverse impacts on marine life
- Work program of the Committee and subsidiary bodies
- Application of the Committees' Guidelines
- Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2011
- Any other business
- Consideration of the report of the Committee

Members of the public may attend the two meetings up to the seating capacity of the rooms. To facilitate the building security process and request reasonable accommodations, those who plan to attend one or both of the two meetings should contact the following coordinators at least 7 days prior to the meetings:

- For the September 2nd DSC meeting, contact Mr. Richard Bornhorst, by e-mail at richard.c.bornhorst@uscg.mil, by phone at (202) 372-1426, by fax at (202) 372-1925, or in writing at Commandant (CG-5212), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 2nd Street, SW., Stop 7126, Washington, DC 20593-7126.
- For the September 10th MEPC meeting, contact LCDR Brian Moore, by e-mail at brian.e.moore@uscg.mil, by phone at (202) 372-1434, by fax at (202) 372-1925, or in writing at Commandant (CG-5224), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 2nd Street, SW., Stop 7126, Washington, DC 20593-7126.

Requests for reasonable accommodation not made at least 7 days prior to the SHC meeting might not be able to be accommodated. Please note that due to security considerations, two valid, government issued photo identifications must be presented to gain entrance to the Headquarters building. The Headquarters building is accessible by taxi and privately owned conveyance (public transportation is not generally available). However, parking in the vicinity of the building is extremely limited. Additional information regarding this and other IMO SHC public meetings may be found at: <http://www.uscg.mil/imo>.

Dated: August 2, 2010.

Jon Trent Warner,
Executive Secretary, Shipping Coordinating
Committee, Department of State.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Andean Trade Preference Act (ATPA); Notice Regarding the 2010 Annual Review

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice and request for petitions.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the 2010 Annual Review of the Andean Trade Preference Act (ATPA). Under this process, petitions may be filed calling for the limitation, withdrawal or suspension of ATPA or ATPDEA benefits by presenting evidence that the eligibility criteria of the program are not being met. USTR will publish a list of petitions filed in response to this announcement in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: The deadline for the submission of petitions for the 2010 Annual ATPA Review is September 15, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Petitions should be submitted electronically via the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>, docket number USTR-2010-0018. For alternatives to on-line submissions please contact Gloria Blue, Executive Secretary, Trade Policy Staff Committee, at (202) 395-3475.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bennett M. Harman, Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Latin America, Office of the Americas, Office of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th St., NW., Washington, DC 20508. The telephone number is (202) 395-9446 and the facsimile number is (202) 395-9675.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The ATPA (19 U.S.C. 3201-06), as renewed and amended by the Andean Trade Promotion and Drug Eradication Act (ATPDEA) in the Trade Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-210) and extended by the Andean Trade Preference Act (Pub. L. 110-436), provides for trade benefits for eligible Andean countries. The current beneficiaries of the ATPA are Colombia, Ecuador and Peru. Consistent with Section 3103(d) of the ATPDEA, USTR promulgated regulations (15 CFR part 2016) (68 FR 43922) regarding the review of eligibility of articles and countries for the benefits of the ATPA, as amended. The 2010 Annual ATPA Review is the seventh such review to be conducted pursuant to the ATPA review regulations. To qualify for the benefits of the ATPA and ATPDEA, each country must meet several eligibility criteria, as set forth in sections 203(c) and (d), and section 204(b)(6)(B) of the ATPA, as amended (19 U.S.C. 3202(c), (d); 19 U.S.C. 3203(b)(6)(B)), and as outlined in

the **Federal Register** notice USTR published to request public comments regarding the designation of eligible countries as ATPDEA beneficiary countries (67 FR 53379). Under section 203(e) of the ATPA, as amended (19 U.S.C. 3202(e)), the President may withdraw or suspend the designation of any country as an ATPA or ATPDEA beneficiary country, and may also withdraw, suspend, or limit preferential treatment for any product of any such beneficiary country, if the President determines that, as a result of changed circumstances, the country is not meeting the eligibility criteria.

The ATPA regulations provide the schedule of dates for conducting an annual review, unless otherwise specified by **Federal Register** notice. Notice is hereby given that, in order to be considered in the 2010 Annual ATPA Review, all petitions to withdraw or suspend the designation of a country as an ATPA or ATPDEA beneficiary country, or to withdraw, suspend, or limit application of preferential treatment to any article of any ATPA beneficiary country under the ATPA, or to any article of any ATPDEA beneficiary country under section 204(b)(1), (3), or (4) (19 U.S.C. 3202(b)(1), (3), (4)) of the ATPA, must be received by the Andean Subcommittee of the Trade Policy Staff Committee no later than 5 p.m. EDT on September 15, 2010. Petitioners should consult 15 CFR 2016.0 regarding the content of such petitions.

Public Comment: Requirements for Submissions: To ensure the most timely and expeditious receipt and consideration of comments, USTR has arranged to accept on-line submissions via <http://www.regulations.gov>. To submit comments via <http://www.regulations.gov>, enter docket number USTR-2010-0018 on the home page and click "search". The site will provide a search-results page listing all documents associated with this docket. Find a reference to this notice by selecting "Notices" under "Document Type" on the search-results page, and click on the link entitled "Submit a Comment." (For further information on using the <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site, please consult the resources provided on the Web site by clicking on "How to Use This Site" on the left side of the home page.)

The <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site provides the option of making submissions by filling in a "Type Comment & Upload File" field, or by attaching a document. We expect that most submissions will be provided in an attached document. If a document is attached, it is sufficient to type "See

attached" in the "Type Comment & Upload File" field.

Submissions in Microsoft Word (.doc) or Adobe Acrobat (.pdf) are preferred. If you use an application other than those two, please identify the application in your submission.

Persons wishing to file comments containing business confidential information must submit a business confidential version and a public version. The file name of the business confidential version should begin with the characters "BC". Any page containing business confidential information must be clearly marked "BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL" on the top of that page. Persons wishing to file comments containing business confidential information must also provide, in a separate submission, a public version of the comments. The file name of the public version should begin with the character "P". The "BC" and "P" should be followed by the name of the person or entity submitting the comments. If you submit comments that contain no business confidential information, the file name should begin with the character "P", followed by the name of the person or entity submitting the comments. Electronic submissions should not attach separate cover letters; rather, information that might appear in a cover letter should be included in the comments you submit. Similarly, to the extent possible, please include any exhibits, annexes, or other attachments to a submission in the same file as the submission itself and not as separate files.

We strongly urge submitters to use electronic filing. If an on-line submission is impossible, alternative arrangements must be made with Ms. Blue prior to delivery for the receipt of such submissions. Ms. Blue may be contacted at (202) 395-3475. General information concerning the Office of the United States Trade Representative may be obtained by accessing its Internet Web site (<http://www.ustr.gov>).

Carmen Suro-Bredie,

Chairman, Trade Policy Staff Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. AB 295 (Sub-No. 8X)]

The Indiana Rail Road Company— Abandonment Exemption—in Sullivan County, IN

The Indiana Rail Road Company (INRD) filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR pt. 1152 subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments* to abandon a 4.37-mile portion of its Kindill Lead extending from milepost 3.1 to milepost 7.47, in Sullivan County, Ind.¹ The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 47438 and 47882.

INRD has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the line for at least 2 years; (2) any overhead traffic on the line (there is none) can be rerouted over other lines; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of 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 Surface Transportation Board (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 1105.7(c) (environmental report), 49 CFR 1105.11 (transmittal letter), 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 abandonment shall be protected under *Oregon Short Line Railroad & The Union Pacific Railroad—Abandonment Portion Goshen Branch Between Firth & Ammon, in Bingham & Bonneville Counties, Idaho*, 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 September 8, 2010, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues,² formal expressions of intent to

¹ On July 23, 2010, INRD amended its notice of exemption.

² The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised by a party or by the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemption's effective date. See *Exemption of Out-of-Serv. Rail Lines*, 5 I.C.C.2d 377 (1989). Any request for a stay should be filed as soon as possible