**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Aviation Administration**

**Fifty-Fifth Meeting: RTCA Special Committee 186: Automatic Dependent Surveillance—Broadcast (ADS–B)**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of RTCA Special Committee 186: Automatic Dependent Surveillance Broadcast (ADS–B) meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of RTCA Special Committee 186: Automatic Dependent Surveillance—Broadcast (ADS–B).

**DATES:** The meeting will be held October 28, 2011 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the RTCA Conference Rooms, 1150 18th Street, NW., Suite 910, Washington, DC 20591.


**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for a Special Committee 186, Automatic Dependent Surveillance—Broadcast (ADS–B) meeting. The agenda will include:

**Specific Working Group Sessions**

**October 24th, 2011**

- All Day, WG-4 Application Technical Requirements, MacIntosh-NBAA Room & Colson Board Room.

**October 25th, 2011**

- All Day, WH-4, This day only at NBAA, 1200 18th Street, NW., 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20036.

**October 26th, 2011**

- All Day, WG-4, Application Technical Requirements, MacIntosh-NBAA Room and Colson Board Room.

**October 27th, 2011**

- All Day, WG-3 and EUROCAE WG-51, SG-1—DO-260B/ED-102A Corrigendum-1, MacIntosh-NBAA Room.

**October 27th, 2011**

- All Day, WG-4, Application Technical Requirements, Colson Board Room.

**October 27th, 2011**

- All Day, WG-5—DO-282B Corrigendum-1, Joint Meeting with WG-3/SG-1, MacIntosh-NBAA Room.
- MASPS:
- MASPS Development Status & Schedule.
- Date, Place and Time of Next Meeting.
- New Business.
- Other Business.
- Review Action Items/Work Programs.
- Adjourn Plenary Session.

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA–2011–0097]

Pilot Project on NAFTA Trucking Provisions; Pre-Authorization Safety Audits

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice; response to public comments.

SUMMARY: On September 12 and 14, 2011, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) announced and requested public comment on data and information concerning the Pre-Authorization Safety Audits (PASAs) for two motor carriers that applied to participate in the Agency’s long-haul pilot program to test and demonstrate the ability of Mexico-domiciled motor carriers to operate safely in the United States beyond the commercial zones on the United States-Mexico border. This action is required by the “U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans’ Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act, 2007” and all subsequent appropriations. The Agency received responses to the PASA notices from 11 commentators. The purpose of this notice is to respond to those comments that were in the scope of the PASA notice.

ADDRESSES: You may search background documents or comments to the docket for this notice, identified by Docket Number FMCSA–2011–0097, by visiting the:
- eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for reviewing documents and comments. Regulations.gov is available electronically 24 hours each day, 365 days a year; or
- DOT Docket Room: Room W12–140 on the ground floor of the DOT Headquarters Building at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Privacy Act: Anyone is able to search background data and information relating to those comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT’s Privacy Act System of Records Notice for the DOT Federal Docket Management System published in the Federal Register on January 17, 2008 (73 FR 3316), or you may visit http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2008/pdf/E8–785.pdf.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background


In accordance with section 6901(b)(2)(B)(i), FMCSA is required to publish in the Federal Register, and provide sufficient opportunity for public notice and comment, comprehensive data and information on the PASAs conducted of motor carriers domiciled in Mexico that applied for authority to operate beyond the United States municipalities and commercial zones on the United States-Mexico border.

On August 25 and 26, FMCSA conducted PASAs on two Mexican carriers: Grupo Behr and Transportes Olympic. In accordance with section 6901, on September 12 and September 14, FMCSA published notices in the Federal Register [76 FR 56272, 56868], in which FMCSA announced that the two companies had successfully completed their PASAs and provided an opportunity for public comment on the data and information relating to those PASAs.

In accordance with section 6901, FMCSA requested public comment from all interested persons on the PASA information presented in the notice. All comments received before the close of business on the comment closing date were considered and will be available for examination in the docket at the location listed under the ADDRESSES section of this notice. FMCSA notes that under its regulations, preliminary grants of authority, pending the carrier’s showing of compliance with insurance and process agent requirements and the resolution of any protests, are publically noticed through publication in the FMCSA Register. Any protests of such grants must be filed within 10 days of such publication. No protests for either Grupo Behr or Transportes Olympic were received.

Response to Comments

FMCSA received 11 timely comments on its Federal Register notice. Seven of the 11 commenters provided general letters in support of the PASA results. These included the National Potato Council, the California Table Grape Commission, the National Pork Producers Council, the California Grape and Tree Fruit League, the Northwest Horticultural Council, the American Apparel and Footwear Association, and the U.S.-Mexico Chamber of Commerce.

Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety (Advocates), the Owner Operator Independent Driver Association (OOIDA), the International Brotherhood of Teamsters (Teamsters), and Knight Transportation provided comments questioning the PASAs for Grupo Behr and Transportes Olympic. In addition, these four groups provided more general comments on the pilot program itself. Those comments are outside of the scope of the PASA notices and will not be addressed in this notice.

PASA Process Issues

OOIDA questioned how PASAs could be completed so soon after the Office of