

Express Corporation (NEC), both noncarriers, have filed an application under 49 U.S.C. 14303 for NEAC's acquisition of control of Petermann Partners, Inc. (PPI), a noncarrier, and the passenger motor carriers PPI controls: Beck Bus Transportation Corp. (MC-143528); Petermann Northeast, LLC (MC-723926); Petermann Northwest, LLC (MC-638608); Petermann Southwest, LLC (MC-644996); Petermann STSA, LLC (which has filed for registration in FMCSA Docket No. MC-749360); MV Student Transportation, Inc. (MC-148934); Carrier Management, Inc. (no MC number); and Petermann Ltd. (MC-364668) (collectively, Petermann Carriers). The Board has tentatively approved and authorized the transaction, and, if no opposing comments are timely filed, this notice will be the final Board action. Persons wishing to oppose the application must follow the rules under 49 CFR 1182.5 and 1182.8.

DATES: Comments must be filed by December 16, 2011. Applicants may file a reply by December 30, 2011. If no comments are filed by December 16, 2011, this notice is effective on that date.

ADDRESSES: Send an original and 10 copies of any comments referring to Docket No. MC-F 21041 to: Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, send one copy of comments to the Applicants' representative: Andrew K. Light, Scopelitis, Garvin, Light, Hanson & Feary, P.C., 10 W. Market Street, Suite 1500, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julia M. Farr, (202) 245-0359. Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) for the hearing impaired: 1-(800) 877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A British Corporation, National Express Group, PLC, controls NEC and NEAC, both of which are noncarrier holding companies incorporated in Delaware. NEC controls Vogel Bus Company, Inc. (MC-274520) (Vogel) and Durham School Services, L.P. (MC-163066) (Durham), both of which are motor carriers providing interstate charter passenger services to the public.¹ PPI is a noncarrier holding company incorporated in Delaware. All of the Petermann Carriers primarily provide school bus transportation. Their

interstate charter operations, which are subject to the Board's jurisdiction, are limited and often provided in school buses.

Under the proposed transaction, NEAC seeks permission to acquire, directly or indirectly, all of the shares of PPI. Applicants state that NEC's "operational infrastructure will be relied upon heavily for the actual operation of [the Petermann Carriers]." Accordingly, because of this and the fact that NEC controls 2 carriers, NEC has been included as an applicant in an abundance of caution.

Under 49 U.S.C. 14303, the Board must approve and authorize a transaction it finds consistent with the public interest, taking into consideration at least: (1) The effect of the transaction on the adequacy of transportation to the public; (2) the total fixed charges that result; and (3) the interest of affected carrier employees. Applicants have submitted information, as required by 49 CFR 1182.2, including the information to demonstrate that the proposed transaction is consistent with the public interest under 49 U.S.C. 14303(b), and a statement that the 12-month aggregate gross operating revenues of all motor carrier parties and all motor carriers controlling, controlled by, or under common control with any party exceeded \$2 million.

Applicants state that: (1) The proposed transaction will have no impact on the adequacy of transportation services available to the public, because the operations of the Petermann carriers will continue to be provided by the same companies under the same name, as part of the NEC corporate family, an organization with experience in passenger transportation; and (2) the proposed transaction will have no fixed charges. Applicants also state that the proposed transaction will not have substantial impacts on employees or labor conditions because NEC does not anticipate a measurable reduction in force or change in compensation levels and/or benefits, although NEC states that it is possible that a limited number of back-office and/or managerial personnel could be affected. Additional information, including a copy of the application, may be obtained from the applicants' representative.

On the basis of the application, the Board finds that the proposed acquisition of control is consistent with the public interest and should be tentatively approved and authorized. If any opposing comments are timely filed, this finding will be deemed vacated and, unless a final decision can be made on the record as developed, a

procedural schedule will be adopted to reconsider the application. See 49 CFR 1182.6(c). If no opposing comments are filed by the expiration of the comment period, this notice will take effect automatically and will be the final Board action.

The parties' application and Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at WWW.STB.DOT.GOV.

This decision will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources.

It is ordered:

1. The proposed finance transaction is approved and authorized, subject to the filing of opposing comments.

2. If timely opposing comments are filed, the findings made in this notice will be deemed as having been vacated.

3. This notice will be effective December 16, 2011, unless timely opposing comments are filed.

4. A copy of this decision will be served on: (1) U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590; (2) the U.S. Department of Justice, Antitrust Division, 10th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20530; and (3) the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of the General Counsel, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590.

Decided: October 28, 2011.

By the Board, Chairman Elliott, Vice Chairman Begeman, and Commissioner Mulvey.

Jeffrey Herzig,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of the Secretary

List of Countries Requiring Cooperation With an International Boycott

In accordance with section 999(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the Department of the Treasury is publishing a current list of countries which require or may require participation in, or cooperation with, an international boycott (within the meaning of section 999(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986).

On the basis of the best information currently available to the Department of the Treasury, the following countries require or may require participation in, or cooperation with, an international boycott (within the meaning of section

¹ The core business of Vogel and Durham is transporting students to and from school, a type of transportation that is not subject to Board jurisdiction. See 49 U.S.C. 13506(a)(1). Vogel and Durham also provide interstate charter services (using both school buses and motor coaches), which is subject to the Board's jurisdiction.

999(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986).

Kuwait
Lebanon
Libya
Qatar
Saudi Arabia
Syria
United Arab Emirates
Yemen

Iraq is not included in this list, but its status with respect to future lists remains under review by the Department of the Treasury.

Dated: October 25, 2011.

Michael J. Caballero,

International Tax Counsel (Tax Policy).

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Additional Designations, Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC") is publishing the names of 2 entities and 3 individuals whose property and interests in property have been blocked pursuant to the Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act ("Kingpin Act") (21 U.S.C. 1901-1908, 8 U.S.C. 1182).

DATES: The designation by the Director of OFAC of the 2 entities and 3 individuals identified in this notice pursuant to section 805(b) of the Kingpin Act is effective on October 27, 2011.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Assistant Director, Compliance Outreach & Implementation, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20220, tel.: (202) 622-2490.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic and Facsimile Availability

This document and additional information concerning OFAC are available on OFAC's Web site (<http://www.treas.gov/ofac>) or via facsimile through a 24-hour fax-on-demand service, tel.: (202) 622-0077.

Background

The Kingpin Act became law on December 3, 1999. The Kingpin Act establishes a program targeting the activities of significant foreign narcotics

traffickers and their organizations on a worldwide basis. It provides a statutory framework for the President to impose sanctions against significant foreign narcotics traffickers and their organizations on a worldwide basis, with the objective of denying their businesses and agents access to the U.S. financial system and the benefits of trade and transactions involving U.S. companies and individuals.

The Kingpin Act blocks all property and interests in property, subject to U.S. jurisdiction, owned or controlled by significant foreign narcotics traffickers as identified by the President. In addition, the Secretary of the Treasury consults with the Attorney General, the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, and the Secretary of Homeland Security when designating and blocking the property and interests in property, subject to U.S. jurisdiction, of persons who are found to be: (1) Materially assisting in, or providing financial or technological support for or to, or providing goods or services in support of, the international narcotics trafficking activities of a person designated pursuant to the Kingpin Act; (2) owned, controlled, or directed by, or acting for or on behalf of, a person designated pursuant to the Kingpin Act; or (3) playing a significant role in international narcotics trafficking.

On October 27, 2011, the Director of OFAC designated 2 entities and 3 individuals whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to section 805(b) of the Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act.

The list of designees is as follows:

Entities

1. AUTOS MINI, Avenida Delante, No. 1806, Colonia Costa Bella, Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico; (ENTITY) [SDNTK]
2. AUTODROMO CULIACAN RACE PARK, Blvd. Universitarios No. 196 Ote., Piso 4, Colonia Tierra Blanca, Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico; Carretera Libre, Culiacan-Mazatlan KM 8, Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico; Constitucion No. 1006 Pte., Esquina con Victoria, Colonia Jorge Almada, Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico; (ENTITY) [SDNTK]

Individuals

1. AVENDANO OJEDA, Martin Guadencio (a.k.a. OJEDA AVENDANO, Martin; a.k.a. AVENDANO LOPEZ, Martin; a.k.a.

AVENDANO, Mariano; a.k.a. NARANJO, Carlos); c/o AUTOS MINI, Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico; c/o AUTODROMO CULIACAN, Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico; San Bernardino, Colombia; Iguala, Guerrero, Mexico; Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico; Mexicali, Baja California, Mexico; La Paz, Baja California Sur, Mexico; Avenida Jose Lopez Portillo No. 2031, Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico; Calle Antonio Caso No. 500, Colonia Aurora, Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico; Calle Amapola No. 12, Colonia 10 de Mayo, Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico; Calle Venustiano Carranza No. 34, Colonia Centro, Comondu, Baja California Sur, Mexico; Avenida Delante No. 1806, Colonia Miguel Hidalgo, Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico; DOB 14 Nov 1968; Alt. DOB 14 Nov 1966; POB Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico; Citizen Mexico; Nationality Mexico; R.F.C. AEOM-681114-818 (Mexico); (INDIVIDUAL) [SDNTK]

2. AVENDANO OJEDA, Hector Manuel, c/o AUTODROMO CULIACAN, Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico; Calle Antonio Caso No. 500, Colonia Aurora, Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico; Calle Mision de Sab Gabriel Arcangel No 2335, Interior A, Colonia Real Nueva Galicia, Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico; DOB 02 Nov 1971; POB Sinaloa, Mexico; Citizen Mexico; Nationality Mexico; C.U.R.P. AEOH711102HSLVJC08 (Mexico); R.F.C. AEOH-711102-199 (Mexico); (INDIVIDUAL) [SDNTK]
3. AVENDANO OJEDA, Sergio, Calle Paseo Humaya No. 1466, Colonia Rincon de Guadalupe, Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico; Calle Delante No. 1806, Colonia Miguel Hidalgo, Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico; Calle Amapola No. 21, Colonia Diez de Mayo, Culiacan de Rosales, Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico; DOB 31 Mar 1980; POB Baja California Sur, Mexico; Citizen Mexico; Nationality Mexico; C.U.R.P. AEOS800331HBSVJR06 (Mexico); R.F.C. AEOS-800331-QH2 (Mexico); (INDIVIDUAL) [SDNTK]

Dated: October 27, 2011.

Adam J. Szubin,

Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control.

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