Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition

**Federal Aviation Administration**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of petition for exemption received.

**SUMMARY:** This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR). The purpose of this notice is to improve the public’s awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of the FAA’s regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

**DATES:** Comments on this petition must be received on or before February 2, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments open to public inspection.

**FAX:** Fax comments to the Docket Management Facility at (202) 493–2251.

**HANDBACK DELIVERY:** Bring comments to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12–140 of the West Building Ground Floor, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**MAIL:** Send comments to the Docket Management Facility at: 200 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20590.

**WEB:** Go to http://www.regulations.gov, and follow the instructions for sending your comments digitally.

**SUMMARY:** Federal Railroad Administration

**Environmental Impact Statement for New Orleans Rail Gateway (NORG), Jefferson and Orleans Parishes, LA**

**AGENCY:** Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

**SUMMARY:** FRA is issuing this notice to advise the public that it will prepare an EIS with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LA DOTD) to evaluate environmental and related impacts of upgrading the New Orleans Rail Gateway (NORG) and infrastructure in Jefferson and Orleans Parishes, Louisiana (proposed action). FRA is also issuing this notice to solicit public and agency input into the development of the scope of the EIS and to advise the public that outreach activities conducted by LA DOTD and its representatives will be considered in preparation of the EIS. FRA is issuing this Notice to alert interested parties, to provide information on the nature of the proposed action, including the purpose and need for the proposed action, possible alternatives to be considered in the preparation of the EIS, potentially significant impacts to the natural and built environment of those alternatives, and to invite public participation in the EIS process.

**DATES:** Two public scoping meetings will be advertised locally and will be held from 6 p.m.–7:30 p.m. at the following dates and locations.

- February 7, 2012 at the Xavier University of Louisiana, University Center, 3rd Floor, Mary and William McCaffrey Ballroom B, 4980 Dixon Street, New Orleans, LA 70125.