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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 7785]

Department of State FY11 Service Contract Inventory

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Notice of the release of the Department of State FY11 Service Contract Inventory.

SUMMARY: The Department of State has publically released its Service Contract Inventory for FY11 and its analysis of the FY10 inventory. They are available here: <http://csm.state.gov/>. Section 743 of Division C of the FY 2010 Consolidated Appropriations Act, Public Law 111-117, requires Department of State, and other civilian agencies, to submit an annual inventory of service contracts. A service contract inventory is a tool to assess an agency in its ability to contract services in support of its mission and operation and whether the contractors' skills are being utilized in an appropriate manner.

DATES: The FY11 inventory and FY10 analysis is available on the Department's Web site as of Jan. 31, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jason Passaro, Director, A/CSM, (703) 875-5114, passaroja@state.gov.

Dated: January 31, 2012.

Jason Passaro,

Director, A/CSM, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 7786]

In the Matter of the Keystone XL Pipeline

This notice is to inform the public that the Department of State has denied the Application of TransCanada Keystone Pipeline, L.P. for a Presidential Permit Authorizing the Construction, Operation, and Maintenance of Pipeline Facilities for the Importation of Crude Oil to be located at the United States-Canada Border, received by the Department of State on September 19, 2008, as directed

by the Presidential Memorandum for the Secretary of State Implementing Provisions of the Temporary Payroll Tax Cut Continuation Act of 2011 Relating to the Keystone XL Pipeline Permit, dated January 18, 2012. The full text of the Presidential Memorandum is as follows:

Presidential Memorandum—Implementing Provisions of the Temporary Payroll Tax Cut Continuation Act of 2011 Relating to the Keystone XL Pipeline Permit

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE

SUBJECT: Implementing Provisions of the Temporary Payroll Tax Cut Continuation Act of 2011 Relating to the Keystone XL Pipeline Permit

The Temporary Payroll Tax Cut Continuation Act of 2011 requires a determination, within 60 days of enactment, of whether the Keystone XL pipeline project as set forth in the permit application filed on September 19, 2008 (including amendments) (the "Keystone XL pipeline project") would serve the national interest. The State Department had previously explained, on November 10, 2011, that it was seeking additional information concerning whether that project served the national interest, as necessary to grant the permit. Based on its experience and in order to consider relevant environmental issues and the consequences of the project on energy security, the economy, and foreign policy, the State Department indicated that its review could be complete as early as the first quarter of 2013.

I have determined, based upon your recommendation, including the State Department's view that 60 days is an insufficient period to obtain and assess the necessary information, that the Keystone XL pipeline project, as presented and analyzed at this time, would not serve the national interest.

Accordingly, by the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States including section 301 of title 3, United States Code, and in furtherance of Executive Order 13337 of April 30, 2004 to the extent compatible with this memorandum, I direct you to submit the report to the Congress as specified in section 501(b)(2) of the Temporary Payroll Tax Cut Continuation Act of 2011 and to issue a denial of the Keystone XL pipeline permit application.

This memorandum is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

You are hereby authorized and directed to publish this memorandum in the **Federal Register**.

BARACK OBAMA

Issued in Washington DC on February 1, 2012.

Dated: February 1, 2012.

George Sibley,

Director, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs/Office of Environmental Policy, U.S. Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 7758]

Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Committee Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, March 14, 2012, in Room 5-1224 of the United States Coast Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the twentieth Session of the International Maritime Organization's (IMO) Subcommittee on Flag State Implementation to be held at the IMO Headquarters, United Kingdom, March 26-30, 2012.

The primary matters to be considered include:

- Adoption of the agenda;
- Decisions of other IMO bodies;
- Responsibilities of Governments and measures to encourage flag State compliance;

- Mandatory reports under International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 (MARPOL 73/78);

- Casualty statistics and investigations;
- Harmonization of port State control activities;

- Port State Control (PSC) Guidelines on seafarers' hours of rest and PSC guidelines in relation to the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006;

- Development of guidelines on port State control under the 2004 Ballast Water Management (BWM) Convention;
- Comprehensive analysis of difficulties encountered in the implementation of IMO instruments;

- Review of the Survey Guidelines under the Harmonized System of Survey and Certification (HSSC) and the annexes to the Code for the Implementation of Mandatory IMO Instruments;

- Consideration of International Association of Classification Societies (IACS) unified interpretations;

- Review of the IMO Instruments Implementation Code;

- Development of a Code for Recognized Organizations;

- Measures to protect the safety of persons rescued at sea;

Illegal unregulated and unreported (IUU) fishing and related matters; Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2013.

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. To facilitate the building security process, and to request reasonable accommodation, those who plan to attend should contact the meeting coordinator, Mr. E.J. Terminella, by email at emanuel.j.terminellajr@uscg.mil, by phone at (202) 372-1239, by fax at (202) 372-1918, or in writing at Commandant (CG-543), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 2nd Street SW., Stop 7581, Washington, DC 20593-7581 not later than March 7, 2012, 7 days prior to the meeting. Requests made after March 7, 2012 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: www.uscg.mil/imo.

Dated: January 23, 2012.

Brian Robinson,

Executive Secretary, Shipping Coordinating Committee, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. DOT-OST-2012-0014]

Information Collection Activity; Request for Comments

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Transportation (OST) DOT.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below will be forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comments. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. A **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following information collection

was published on Friday, November 4, 2011.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 5, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Leonardo San Roman, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Office of the Secretary, W56-312, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-1930.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: U.S. Department of Transportation Mentor-Protégé Pilot Program Evaluation Form; and U.S. Department of Transportation Mentor Protégé Pilot Program Annual Report.

Abstract: DOT will use the data captured in the Mentor-Protégé Pilot Program Evaluation Form to measure program achievement to determine whether the intention of the program to assist small businesses to compete and perform in DOT and federal procurement programs is achieved. DOT will use this data to determine whether program changes are required to increase participation of small businesses in DOT procurement programs.

Additionally, DOT will use the data captured in the Mentor Protégé Pilot Program Annual Report to measure protégé progress against the developmental plan contained in their Mentor Protégé agreement and to report the specific actions taken by the mentor to increase the participation of the protégé as a prime or subcontractor to DOT.

A **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the information collection was published on Friday, November 4, 2011. Only one (1) anonymous comment was received stating that more concrete language is needed to specify the protégé's ability to withdraw from the program voluntarily. Additionally, there does not appear to be any language stating whether a mentor can receive reimbursement for MP program costs; whether it is direct, or through credit against subcontracting goals. It appears that should be added as well.

Procedures for the Mentor or the Protégé to withdraw from the program voluntarily will be established by both parties in the Mentor-Protégé Agreement. The Mentor or the Protégé should provide written notice to OSDBU at least 30 days before withdrawing from the program.

As for the reimbursement part, the Program Office has determined there will be no incentives, such as reimbursements or credits toward subcontracting goals.

Type of Information Collection: Request for collection of a new information collection.

Affected Public: Prime contractors and small businesses participating in DOT's Mentor Protégé Pilot Program.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: Approximately 20.

Estimated Annual Number of Responses: 20.

Estimated Annual Total Burden Hours: 20.

Frequency of Collection: One time.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the burden estimate, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of the Secretary of Transportation, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503, email: oir_submission@omb.eop.gov, fax: (202) 395-5806.

Comments are invited on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

A comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 30, 2012.

Patricia Lawton,

Departmental PRA Program Manager, Office of the Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

First Meeting: RTCA Special Committee 227, Standards of Navigation Performance

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of RTCA Special Committee 227, Standards of Navigation Performance.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the first meeting of RTCA Special Committee 227, Standards of Navigation Performance