DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

[Public Notice 7814]

Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Committee Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 25, 2012, in Room 2501 of the United States Coast Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593–7126. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the 90th Session of the International Maritime Organization’s (IMO) Marine Safety Committee to be held at the IMO Headquarters, London, England, United Kingdom, May 16–25, 2012.

The primary matters to be considered include:

- Consideration and adoption of amendments to mandatory instruments;
- Measures to enhance maritime security;
- Goal-based new ship construction standards;
- LRIT-related matters;
- Flag State implementation;
- Radiocommunications and search and rescue;
- Ship design and equipment;
- Safety of navigation;
- Fire protection;
- Dangerous goods, solid cargoes and containers;
- Stability, load lines and fishing vessel safety;
- Bulk liquids and gases;
- Implementation of the STCW Convention;
- Technical assistance sub-programme in maritime safety and security;
- Capacity-building for the implementation of new measures;
- Role of the human element;
- Formal safety assessment;
- Piracy and armed robbery against ships;
- General cargo ship safety;
- Implementation of instruments and related matters;
- Relations with other organizations;
- Application of the Committee’s Guidelines; and
- Passenger ship safety.

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, LCDR Matthew Frazee, by email at imo@uscg.mil, by phone at (202) 372–1376, or in writing at Commandant (CG–52), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 2nd Street SW., Stop 7126, Washington, DC 20593–7126 not later than April 18, 2012, 7 days prior to the meeting. Requests made after April 18, 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.


Brian Robinson,
Executive Secretary, Shipping Coordinating Committee, Department of State.

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Office of the Secretary

Aviation Proceedings, Agreements Filed the Week Ending March 10, 2011

The following Agreements were filed with the Department of Transportation under the Sections 412 and 414 of the Federal Aviation Act, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1382 and 1384) and procedures governing proceedings to enforce these provisions. Answers may be filed within 21 days after the filing of the application.


Date Filed: March 7, 2012.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: Mail Vote 702—Resolution 100 Standard Condition Resolution for Special Fares (Memo 1665) Intended effective date: 1 April 2012.

Renee V. Wright,
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Federal Aviation Administration

Office of Commercial Space Transportation; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), Open a Public Scoping Period, and Conduct a Public Scoping Meeting

AGENCY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is the lead Federal agency.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to Prepare an EIS, Open a Public Scoping Period, and Conduct a Public Scoping Meeting.

SUMMARY: This Notice provides information to Federal, State, and local agencies, Native American tribes, and other interested persons regarding the FAA’s intent to prepare an EIS for Space Exploration Technologies’ (SpaceX’s) proposal to launch the Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy orbital vertical launch vehicles from a private site located in Cameron County, Texas. Under the Proposed Action, SpaceX proposes to construct a vertical launch area and a control center area to support up to 12 commercial launches per year. The vehicles to be launched include the Falcon 9, Falcon Heavy (up to two per year), and a variety of smaller reusable suborbital launch vehicles. SpaceX would be required to apply for the appropriate launch licenses and/or experimental permits to be issued by the FAA. The FAA will prepare the EIS in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA; 42 United States Code [U.S.C.] 4321 et seq.), the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA (40 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] parts 1500–1508), and FAA Order 1050.1E, Change 1, Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures, as part of its licensing and permitting process.

DATES: The FAA invites interested agencies, organizations, Native American tribes, and members of the public to submit comments or suggestions to assist in identifying significant environmental issues and in determining the appropriate scope of the EIS. The public scoping period starts with the publication of this notice in the Federal Register. To ensure sufficient time to consider issues identified during the public scoping period, comments should be submitted to Ms. Stacey M. Zee, FAA Environmental Protection Specialist, by one of the methods listed below no later than May 30, 2012. All comments will receive the same attention and consideration in the preparation of the EIS.

ADDRESSES: Comments, statements, or questions concerning scoping issues or the EIS process should be mailed to: Ms. Stacey M. Zee, FAA Environmental Protection Specialist, SpaceX EIS c/o Cardno TEC Inc., 275 West Street, Suite 110, Annapolis, MD 21409. Comments can also be sent by email to faaspacexeis@cardnotec.com or by fax to (410) 990–0455.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The FAA is preparing an EIS to analyze the potential environmental