BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE AND TIME: Friday, August 17, 2012, 12:00 p.m.


SUBJECT: Notice of Closed Meeting of the Broadcasting Board of Governors.

SUMMARY: The members of the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) will meet in a special session, to be conducted telephonically, to receive and consider staff recommendations regarding the Agency’s FY 2014 budget proposal. According to Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A–11, Section 22.1, all agency budgetary materials and data are considered confidential prior to the President submitting a budget to Congress. In accordance with section 22.5 of Circular A–11, the BBG has determined that its meeting should be closed to public observation pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B). In accordance with the Sunshine Act and BBG policies, the meeting will be recorded and a transcription of the proceedings, subject to the redaction of information protected by 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B), will be made available to the public. The publicly-releasable transcript will be available for download at www.bbg.gov within 21 days of the date of the meeting.

MEMBER VOTES TO CLOSE THE MEETING:

Victor Ashe—No
Michael Lynton—Yes
Susan McCue—Yes
Michael Meehan—Yes
Dennis Mulhaupt—Yes
Dana Perino—Yes
Tara Sonenshine—Yes

Statements from individual Board members explaining their votes can be found on the BBG Web site.

EXPECTED ATTENDEES:

Victor Ashe, BBG Member
Michael Lynton, BBG Member and Presiding Governor (via telephone)

Susan McCue, BBG Member (via telephone)
Michael Meehan, BBG Member (via telephone)
Dennis Mulhaupt, BBG Member and Alternate Presiding Governor (via telephone)
Dana Perino, BBG Member (via telephone)
Tara Sonenshine, Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs (via telephone)
Richard Lobo, Director of the International Broadcasting Bureau (IBB)
Jeffrey Trimble, IBB Deputy Director Marie Lennon, Chief of Staff Maryjean Buhler, Chief Financial Officer
Paul Kollmer-Dorsey, Deputy General Counsel and Board Secretary Lynne Weil, Director of Communications and External Affairs Oanh Tran, Director of Board Operations

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Persons interested in obtaining more information should contact Paul Kollmer-Dorsey at (202) 283–4545.

Paul Kollmer-Dorsey, Deputy General Counsel and Board Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Oil and Gas Trade Mission to Israel—Clarification and Amendment

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration, U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service (CS) is publishing this amendment to the Notice of the Oil and Gas Trade Mission to Israel, 77 FR 21748, April 11, 2012, to amend the Notice to reflect minor changes in the timeline and agenda. The revised notice will include the new dates of October 29–November 1, 2012 and the resulting agenda changes.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Amendments To Revise the Timeline and Notional Agenda To Reflect Minor Changes

Background

To accommodate schedules and traditions, the timeline of the Oil and Gas Trade Mission to Israel has been changed to October 28–November 1, 2012.
Amendments:

1. For the reasons stated above, the Mission Description and Notional Agenda sections of the Notice of the Oil and Gas Trade Mission to Israel, 77 FR 21746, April 11, 2012, is amended to read as follows:

Mission Description

The United States Department of Commerce (DOC), International Trade Administration (ITA), U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service (CS), is organizing an Executive-led Oil and Gas Trade Mission to Israel, October 28–November 1, 2012. This mission is designed to be led by a Senior Commerce Department official. The purpose of the mission is to introduce U.S. firms to Israel’s rapidly expanding oil and gas market and to assist U.S. companies pursuing export opportunities in this sector. The mission to Israel is intended to include representatives from leading U.S. companies that provide services to oil and gas facilities, from design and construction through to project implementation, maintenance of facilities, and environmental protection. The mission will visit Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, and will include a visit to a to-be-determined site (e.g., port or company office). Mission participants will attend the 2012 Israel Energy and Business Convention. Held for the 10th consecutive year, by Eco Energy and Tachlit Conferences, this is Israel’s major energy forum. The convention assembles representatives of companies and senior Israeli and foreign policy makers, bringing them together with the Israeli financial and business community.

The mission will help participating firms gain market insights, make industry contacts, solidify business strategies, and advance specific projects, with the goal of increasing U.S. exports to Israel. The mission will include one-on-one business appointments with pre-screened potential buyers, agents, distributors and joint venture partners; meetings with government officials; and high-level networking events. Participating in an official U.S. industry delegation, rather than traveling to Israel on their own, will enhance the companies’ ability to secure meetings in Israel.

NOTIONAL TIMETABLE

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<td>Sunday, October 28</td>
<td>• Tel Aviv&lt;br&gt;○ Participation in Israel Energy and Business Convention 2012.&lt;br&gt;○ Welcome dinner with Trade Mission Leader at Neve Zedek:&lt;br&gt;  ● Embassy briefing.</td>
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<td>Monday, October 29</td>
<td>• Tel Aviv&lt;br&gt;○ Participation in Israel Energy and Business Convention 2012 (optional).&lt;br&gt;○ B2B meetings.&lt;br&gt;○ Networking reception at Ambassador’s residence.</td>
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<td>Tuesday, October 30</td>
<td>• Tel Aviv&lt;br&gt;○ GOI meetings in Jerusalem.&lt;br&gt;○ Lunch in Jerusalem followed by sightseeing.&lt;br&gt;○ Return to Tel Aviv.</td>
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<td>Wednesday, October 31</td>
<td>• Ashdod&lt;br&gt;  ○ Ashdod Port (optional).&lt;br&gt;○ B2B meetings.&lt;br&gt;○ Lunch.&lt;br&gt;○ Depart hotel to GOI Roundtable with IDC Herzliya.&lt;br&gt;  ● Selected Trade Mission participants to present to GOI questions/concerns.&lt;br&gt;○ Dinner_Reception with relevant Government of Israel Sr. Officials and IDC Herzliya.</td>
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<td>Thursday, November 1</td>
<td>• Meetings with Noble Energy (Herzliya Pituah)&lt;br&gt;○ Visit Haifa port and Haifa shipyards.&lt;br&gt;○ B2B meetings.&lt;br&gt;○ Departure.</td>
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
Executive-Led Trade Mission to South Africa and Zambia

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Amendment to Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration, U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service is amending the Notice published at 77 FR 31574, May 29, 2012, regarding the Executive-Led Trade Mission to South Africa and Zambia scheduled for November 26–30, 2012, to add to the targeted sectors the water sector (i.e., water supply, sanitation, and drainage systems) and architecture, construction and technical assistance services related to development of water sector infrastructure and encourage applications from U.S. exporters in that sector. Because of this amendment, the Department will delay until August 24, 2012 beginning to make selection decisions on a rolling basis to allow time for U.S. exporters in this newly-targeted sector to submit applications before any selection decisions are made. Except as specified herein, all other information in the May 29, 2012 Notice, including the October 5, 2012 application deadline, remains unchanged.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

In May 2012, the Millennium Challenge Corporation awarded a five-year, $354.8 million Compact with the