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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8014]

Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Committee Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting for the International Maritime Organization's Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC).

The meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, September 21, 2012, in Room 2501 of the United States Coast Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the sixty-fourth session of the International Maritime Organization's Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC 64) to be held at the International Maritime Organization in London, United Kingdom from October 1st to 5th, 2012.

The primary matters to be considered include:

- Harmful aquatic organisms in ballast water;
- Recycling of ships;
- Air pollution and energy efficiency;
- Reduction of GHG emissions from ships;
- Consideration and adoption of amendments to mandatory instruments;
- Interpretation of, and amendments to, MARPOL and related instruments;
- Implementation of the OPRC Convention and the OPRC-HNS Protocol and relevant Conference resolutions;
- Identification and protection of Special Areas and Particularly Sensitive Sea Areas;
- Inadequacy of reception facilities;
- Reports of sub-committees;
- Work of other bodies;
- Status of conventions;
- Harmful anti-fouling systems for ships;
- Promotion of implementation and enforcement of MARPOL and related instruments;
- Technical co-operation activities for the protection of the marine environment;
- Role of the human element;
- Noise from commercial shipping and its adverse impacts on marine life;
- Work program of the Committee and subsidiary bodies;

—Application of the Committees' Guidelines;

—Election of the 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, Ms. Regina Bergner not later than September 11, 2012, 10 days prior to the meeting. Contact should be made by email at Regina.R.Bergner@uscg.mil; by phone at (202) 372-1431; or in writing to Ms. Regina Bergner, Commandant (CG-OES-3), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 2nd Street SW., STOP 7126, Washington, DC 20593-7126. Requests made after September 11, 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). Public parking is available in the vicinity of the Headquarters building. Additional information regarding this and other IMO SHC public meetings may be found at: www.uscg.mil/imo. Hard copies of documents associated with the 64th Session of MEPC will be available at this meeting. To request further copies of documents please contact Ms. Regina Bergner using the contact information above.

Dated: August 29, 2012.

Brian W. Robinson,

Executive Secretary, Shipping Coordinating Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Research, Engineering and Development Advisory Committee

Pursuant to section 10(A)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. App. 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the FAA Research, Engineering and Development (R, E&D) Advisory Committee.

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration.

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

NAME: Research, Engineering & Development Advisory Committee.

TIME AND DATE: September 26, 2012—9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

PLACE: JMA Solutions, 600 Maryland Avenue SW., Suite 400E, Washington, DC 20024.

PURPOSE: The meeting agenda will include receiving from the Committee guidance for FAA's research and development investments in the areas of air traffic services, airports, aircraft safety, human factors and environment and energy. Attendance is open to the interested public but seating is limited. Persons wishing to attend the meeting or obtain information should contact Gloria Dunderman at (202) 267-8937 or gloria.dunderman@faa.gov. Members of the public may present a written statement to the Committee at any time.

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Catherine A. Bigelow,

Manager, Research and Development Management Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Seventh Meeting: RTCA NextGen Advisory Committee (NAC)

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

ACTION: Meeting Notice of RTCA NextGen Advisory Committee (NAC).

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the seventh meeting of the RTCA NextGen Advisory Committee (NAC).

DATES: The meeting will be held October 4, 2012, from 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the secured facilities at the United States Air Force (USAF), Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, OH, 45433.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The RTCA Secretariat, Andy Cebula, 1150 18th Street NW., Suite 910, Washington, DC, 20036, or by telephone at (202) 330-0652/(202) 833-9339, fax at (202) 833-9434, or Web site at <http://www.rtca.org>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., App.), notice is hereby given for a meeting of the NextGen Advisory Committee Meeting. The agenda will include the following:

October, 4, 2012

Special Facility Access Instructions

The meeting is being held at the secured facilities of the United States Air Force (USAF),

Wright-Patterson AFB, OH. All members of the public are required to register in advance by contacting HQ Air Force Operations NextGen Lead Service Office via email at NextGen@pentagon.af.mil not later than September 28, 2012 and provide the following:

- U.S. Citizens without current/valid DoD-issued Identification in their possession must provide the following information:
 - Last name, First name (as it appears on your State Issued Drivers' License or ID)
 - State-issued drivers' license/State-issued ID Card Number and State of Issuance
 - Company
 - Phone number contact
- Non-U.S. Citizens must provide the following information:
 - Full Name as it appears on Passport
 - Country of Citizenship
 - Birthdate and Place of Birth (city and country)
 - Passport and Visa Numbers, I-94 Stamp and Expiration Date
 - Employer and Address—Identify whether U.S. or foreign owned
 - Phone number contact

Note: Attendees must arrive no later than 1 hour prior to the start of the meeting for identification and security screening at Wright-Patterson AFB, Gate 19B.

Agenda

- Opening of Meeting—Chairman Dave Barger, President and CEO JetBlue Airways
- Welcome and Facility Overview—Major General James Jones, NAC Meeting Host
- Official Statement of Designated Federal Official—The Honorable Michael Huerta, FAA Acting Administrator.
- Review and Approval of May 24, 2012 Meeting Summary
- Chairman's Report—Chairman Barger
- FAA Report—Mr. Huerta
- Review and Approve Recommendation for Submission to FAA NextGen Implementation Metrics—a recommendation for:
 - Executive-level set of metrics that capture an overall status of NextGen Implementation
 - Key City Pairs that can be used for NextGen Metrics
- Data Sources for Measuring NextGen Fuel Impact

- A discussion of a preliminary report on a critical data source to track and analyze the impact of NextGen
- Non-Technical Barriers to NextGen Implementation
 - Open discussion of issues that will affect the FAA Tasking on Implementing Metroplex capabilities
- Environmental Issues Impacting NextGen Implementation
 - A background briefing by FAA Environmental Office on the Environmental review process for NextGen capabilities and the impacts on this process by the "FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012," followed by an open discussion by the Committee.
- Anticipated Issues for NAC consideration and action at the next meeting, February 2013
- Other business
- Adjourn

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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David Sicard,

Manager, Business Operations Group, Federal Aviation Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE-2012-35]

Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received

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 14 CFR. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of 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.

DATE: Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number and must be received on or before September 25, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments identified by Docket Number FAA-2012-0606 using any of the following methods:

- *Government-wide rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.
- *Mail:* Send comments to the Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
- *Fax:* Fax comments to the Docket Management Facility at 202-493-2251.
- *Hand Delivery:* Bring comments to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Privacy: We will post all comments we receive, without change, to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information you provide. Using the search function of our docket Web site, anyone can find and read the comments received into any of our dockets, including the name of the individual sending the comment (or signing the comment for an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-78).

Docket: To read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time or to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Forseth, ANM-113, (252) 227-2796, Federal Aviation Administration, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, WA 98057-3356, or Frances Shaver, (202) 267-4059, Office of Rulemaking (ARM-200), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591.

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