

#### IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

##### Electronic Comments

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an email to [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-NYSEArca-2012-117 on the subject line.

##### Paper Comments

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NYSEArca-2012-117. This file number should be included on the subject line if email is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for Web site viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NYSEArca-2012-117 and should be submitted on or before November 21, 2012.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>31</sup>

**Kevin M. O'Neill,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 8078]

#### 60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Office of Language Services Contractor Application Form

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB.

**DATES:** The Department will accept comments from the public up to *December 31, 2012*.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *Web:* Persons with access to the Internet may use the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) to comment on this notice by going to [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov). You can search for the document by entering "Public Notice ####" in the Search bar. If necessary, use the Narrow by Agency filter option on the Results page.
- *Email:* [LSApplications@state.gov](mailto:LSApplications@state.gov).
- *Mail:* Department of State, Office of Language Services SA-1, Fourteenth Floor, 2401 E Street NW., Washington, DC 20522.

You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and the OMB control number in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to Martha Allen at 2401 E Street NW., Fourteenth Floor, Washington, DC 20522, who may be reached on 202-261-8800 or at [AllenML2@state.gov](mailto:AllenML2@state.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- *Title of Information Collection:* Office of Language Services Contractor Application Form.

- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0191.
- *Type of Request:* Extension of Currently Approved Collection.
- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Administration (A/OPR/LS).
- *Form Number:* DS-7651.
- *Respondents:* Individuals Applying for Translator and/or Interpreter Contract Positions.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,100.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 1,100.
- *Average Time per Response:* Thirty minutes.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 550 hours.
- *Frequency:* On Occasion.
- *Obligation to Respond:* Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

*Abstract of proposed collection:* The information collected is needed to ascertain whether respondents are valid interpreting and/or translating candidates, based on their work history and legal work status in the United States. If candidates successfully become contractors for the U.S. Department of State, Office of Language Services, the information collected is used to initiate security clearance background checks and for processing payment vouchers. Respondents are typically members of the general public with varying degrees of experience in the fields of interpreting and/or translating. The collection is authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109.

*Methodology:* OLS makes the "Office of Language Services Contractor Application Form" available via the OLS Internet site. Respondents can submit it via email.

<sup>31</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

Dated: October 12, 2012.

**Thomas F. Hufford,**  
Director, Office of Language Services,  
Department of State.

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8079]

### The Secretary of State's International Council on Women's Business Leadership; Notice of Open Meeting

The Secretary of State's International Council on Women's Business Leadership (ICWBL) will meet from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 27, 2012, in the Harry S. Truman Building at the U.S. Department of State, 2201 C Street NW., Washington, DC. The meeting will be hosted by U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton. The ICWBL serves the U.S. Government in a solely advisory capacity, and provides advice and assistance in the formulation of U.S. policy, positions, proposals and strategies for multilateral and bilateral negotiations, business outreach, and commercial diplomacy, particularly pertaining to the economic empowerment of women for global economic prosperity, where the State Department has the lead negotiating authority. The meeting will focus on Women and the Economy. Subcommittee discussions will be led by the Access to Markets Subcommittee, the Access to Capital Subcommittee, the Capacity Building and Skills Training Subcommittee, and the Leadership Subcommittee.

This meeting is open to public participation, via live webcast on the Internet at <http://www.state.gov/e/eb/adcom/icwbl/>. The public is invited to submit written statements to the Secretary of State's International Council on Women's Business Leadership by C.O.B. November 20, 2012, by either of the following methods:

Send electronic statements to the Secretary of State's International Council on Women's Business Leadership at [SGWI\\_ICWBL@state.gov](mailto:SGWI_ICWBL@state.gov); send paper statements via facsimile to 202-632-9232, attention: Secretary of State's International Council on Women's Business Leadership (ICWBL).

All statements will be posted on the Secretary of State's ICWBL Web site without change, including any business or personal information provided such as names, addresses, email addresses, or telephone numbers. All statements received, including attachments and

other supporting materials, are part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly.

Meeting summaries of the Council's discussion will be available within 90 days on the ICWBL Web site <http://www.state.gov/e/eb/adcom/icwbl/>.

For additional information, contact Senior Coordinator Nancy Smith-Nissley, Office of Economic Policy Analysis and Public Diplomacy, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, at (202) 647-1682 or [Smith-NissleyN@state.gov](mailto:Smith-NissleyN@state.gov).

Dated: October 17, 2012.

**Todd Schwartz,**

Special Representative, Acting Office of Commercial and Business Affairs, U.S. Department of State.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Buy America Waiver Notification

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice provides information regarding the FHWA's finding that a Buy America waiver is appropriate for the use of non-domestic Technologie Alpine De Securite (TAS) Gazex® Avalanche Exploder in the State of Utah and TAS O'Bell Avalanche Initiating Blaster for the State of Wyoming.

**DATES:** The effective date of the waiver is November 6, 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions about this notice, please contact Mr. Gerald Yakowenko, FHWA Office of Program Administration, (202) 366-1562, or via email at [gerald.yakowenko@dot.gov](mailto:gerald.yakowenko@dot.gov). For legal questions, please contact Mr. Michael Harkins, FHWA Office of the Chief Counsel, (202) 366-4928, or via email at [michael.harkins@dot.gov](mailto:michael.harkins@dot.gov). Office hours for the FHWA are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Electronic Access

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded from the **Federal Register's** home page at <http://www.archives.gov> and the Government Printing Office's database at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara>.

## Background

The FHWA's Buy America policy in 23 CFR 635.410 requires a domestic manufacturing process for any steel or iron products (including protective coatings) that are permanently incorporated in a Federal-aid construction project. The regulation also provides for a waiver of the Buy America requirements when the application would be inconsistent with the public interest or when satisfactory quality domestic steel and iron products are not sufficiently available. This notice provides information regarding the FHWA's finding that a Buy America waiver is appropriate to use non-domestic TAS Gazex® Avalanche Exploder for the State of Utah and TAS O'Bell Avalanche Initiating Blaster for the State of Wyoming.

In accordance with Title I, Division C, section 122 of the "Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2012" (Pub. L. 112-55), the FHWA published a notice of intent to issue a waiver on its Web site for TAS Gazex® Avalanche Exploder for the State of Utah (<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/construction/contracts/waivers.cfm?id=69>) on March 6, and TAS O'Bell Avalanche Initiating Blaster for State of Wyoming. (<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/construction/contracts/waivers.cfm?id=71>) on March 22. The FHWA received two comments in response to the Utah publication, and no comment in response to Wyoming publication. Both comments received in response to the Utah publication urged the use of domestic manufacturers, when possible, but did not provide any suggested manufacturers. During the 15-day comment periods, the FHWA conducted additional nationwide review to locate potential domestic manufacturers of TAS Gazex® Avalanche Exploder and TAS O'Bell Avalanche Initiating Blaster. The National Institute of Standards and Technology-Manufacturing Extension Partnership MEP also conducted supplier scouting on the Avalanche Initiating Blasters and reported that they could not find domestic matching items. Based on all the information available to the agency, the FHWA concludes that there are no domestic manufacturers of TAS Gazex® Avalanche Exploder for the State of Utah and TAS O'Bell Avalanche Initiating Blaster for the State of Wyoming.

In accordance with the provisions of section 117 of the SAFETEA-LU Technical Corrections Act of 2008 (Pub. L. 110-244, 122 Stat. 1572), the FHWA is providing this notice as its finding that a waiver of Buy America