

Meetings of the Council will be held approximately twice per year. As necessary, subcommittees composed of members of the parent Council may be established to perform specific functions within the Council's jurisdiction. Subcommittees of the Council may meet more frequently than the parent Council. The Designated Federal Officer or Alternate Designated Federal Officer shall call all meetings of the Council and of any subcommittees, approve the agenda for each meeting, and be present at all meetings. The first meeting of the Regional Energy Resource Council is anticipated to take place in September, 2013.

Each member shall be appointed for a term of two years. Whenever a vacancy occurs, TVA may appoint a replacement for the remainder of the applicable term. TVA shall designate one Council member as the Council Chair.

### III. Compensation

Each member of the Council shall serve without compensation. Members engaged in the performance of their Council duties away from their homes or regular places of business may be allowed reimbursement for travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5703.

### IV. Nominations

TVA is seeking nominations for membership on the Council to represent the following interests: (1) Non-governmental entity focused on environmental and/or energy issues, (2) chamber of commerce or economic and community development, and (3) academic or research center. TVA also is seeking nominations for membership on the Council to fill the three at-large membership positions designed to ensure balanced representation of views.

TVA will consider nominations of all qualified individuals to ensure that the Council includes members with professional or personal experience relevant to TVA's energy resource activities. Individuals may nominate themselves or other individuals, and associations and organizations may nominate one or more qualified persons for membership on the Council. Nominations shall state that the nominee is willing to serve as member of the Council. Potential candidates may be asked to provide detailed information concerning financial interests, consultancies, research grants, and/or contracts that might be affected by recommendations of the Council to permit evaluation of possible sources of conflicts of interest.

A nomination package should include the following information for each nominee: (1) A letter of nomination stating the name, affiliation, and contact information for the nominee, the basis for the nomination (i.e., what specific attributes recommend him/her for service in this capacity), and the nominee's field(s) of expertise; (2) a biographical sketch of the nominee and copy of his/her curriculum vitae; and (3) the name, return address, email address, and daytime telephone number of the nominator. TVA encourages nominations of appropriately qualified female, minority, or disabled candidates. TVA also seeks geographic diversity in the composition of the Council. All nomination information should be provided in a single, complete package by July 15, 2013. All nominations for membership should be sent to Joe Hoagland, TVA Designated Federal Officer, at the address provided above.

Dated: June 18, 2013.

**Joseph J. Hoagland,**

*Senior Vice President, Policy & Oversight,  
Tennessee Valley Authority.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Transit Administration

#### Request for Transit Rail Advisory Committee for Safety (TRACS) Nominations

**AGENCY:** Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice to solicit TRACS nominees.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is seeking nominations for individuals to serve on the Transit Rail Advisory Committee for Safety (TRACS). The Advisory Committee meets at least twice a year to advise FTA on transit safety issues. The recommendations of the TRACS will help FTA develop policies, practices, and regulations for enhancing safety across all modes of public transportation as FTA implements new statutory authority for public transportation safety oversight.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bridget Zamperini, Office of Transit Safety and Oversight (TSO), Federal Transit Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001 (telephone: 202-366-0306; or email: [Bridget.Zamperini@dot.gov](mailto:Bridget.Zamperini@dot.gov)).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

### I. Background

On December 8, 2012, TRACS was chartered by the Secretary of the Department of Transportation (the Secretary) for the purpose of providing a forum for the development, consideration, and communication of information from knowledgeable and independent perspectives regarding modes of public transit safety. Currently, the TRACS committee consists of members representing key constituencies affected by rail transit safety requirements, including rail safety experts, research institutions, industry associations, labor unions, transit agencies, and State Safety Oversight Agencies.

With passage of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), Public Law 112-141, (2012), FTA's safety oversight authority has been expanded to include all modes of public transportation. Therefore, TRACS membership will be reconfigured to reflect a broader range of safety constituents that is more representative of the public transit industry. To that end, the FTA Administrator invites nominations from members representing key constituencies affected by rail transit or bus transit safety requirements, including labor unions, rail and bus transit agencies, paratransit service providers (both general public and Americans with Disabilities Act complementary service), State Safety Oversight Agencies, State Departments of Transportation, transit safety research organizations and others from the rail transit safety or bus transit safety industry.

The TRACS meets approximately twice a year, usually in Washington, DC, but may meet more frequently or via conference call as needed. Members serve at their own expense and receive no salary from the Federal Government. FTA retains authority to review the participation of any TRACS member and to recommend changes at any time. TRACS meetings will be open to the public and one need not be a member of TRACS to attend. Interested parties may view the information about the committee at: <http://www.fta.dot.gov/about/13099.html>.

### II. Nominations

Qualified individuals interested in serving on this committee are invited to apply to FTA for appointment. The FTA Administrator will recommend nominees for appointment by the Secretary. Appointments are for two-year terms; however, the Secretary may reappoint a member to serve additional terms. Nominees should be

knowledgeable of trends or issues related to rail transit and bus transit safety. Along with their experience in the bus transit or rail transit industry, nominees will also be evaluated on factors including leadership and organizational skills, region of country represented, diversity characteristics, and balance of industry representation.

Each nomination should include the nominee's name and organizational affiliation, a cover letter describing the nominee's qualifications and interest in serving on the committee, a curriculum vitae or resume of the nominee's qualifications, and contact information including the nominee's name, address, phone number, fax number, and email address. Self-nominations are acceptable. FTA prefers electronic submissions for all applications to [TRACS@dot.gov](mailto:TRACS@dot.gov). Applications will also be accepted via U.S. mail at the address identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice.

In the near-term, FTA expects to nominate up to five (5) representatives from the transit bus safety community for immediate TRACS membership. In order to be considered for this round of appointments, applications should be submitted by August 30, 2013. Additionally, in order to fill any future vacancy that may arise, nominations from persons representing key constituencies affected by rail transit or bus transit safety requirements, as noted in section I above, will continue to be accepted after August 30, 2013.

The Secretary, in consultation with the FTA Administrator, will make the final decision regarding committee membership selections.

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**Peter Rogoff,**

*Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Maritime Administration

[Docket No. USCG-2013-0363]

#### Deepwater Port License Application: Liberty Natural Gas LLC, Port Ambrose Deepwater Port

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent; Notice of Public Meeting; Request for Comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Maritime Administration (MarAd), in coordination with the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), will prepare an

environmental impact statement (EIS) as part of the environmental review of the Port Ambrose Deepwater Port License Application. The application describes an offshore natural gas deepwater port facility that would be located approximately 17 nautical miles southeast of Jones Beach, New York, 24 nautical miles east of Long Branch, New Jersey, and about 27 nautical miles from the entrance to New York Harbor in a water depth of approximately 103 feet. Publication of this notice begins a 30 day scoping process that will help identify and determine the scope of environmental issues to be addressed in the EIS. This notice requests public participation in the scoping process, provides information on how to participate, and announces informational open houses and public meetings in New York and New Jersey. Pursuant to the criteria provided in the Deepwater Port Act of 1974, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1501 *et seq.* (the Act), both New Jersey and New York are the Adjacent Coastal States for this application.

**DATES:** There will be two public scoping meetings held in connection with the application. The first public meeting will be held in Long Beach, New York on July 9, 2013 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The second public meeting will be held in Edison, New Jersey on July 10, 2013 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Both public meetings will be preceded by an open house from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Each of the public meetings may end later than the stated time, depending on the number of persons wishing to speak. Additionally, materials submitted in response to the request for comments on the license application must reach the Docket Management Facility as detailed below, by July 14, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** The open house and public meeting in Long Beach, New York will be held at the Allegria Hotel, 80 West Broadway, Long Beach, New York 11561, phone 516-889-1300. Free street parking is available and the parking lot at the Long Island Railroad Long Beach Train Station near Park Place and Park Avenue approximately 1200 feet from the hotel is available from 5 p.m. to 5 a.m. In addition, there is free valet parking at the hotel for those that want and/or need to use this service. The open house and public meeting in Edison, New Jersey will be held at the New Jersey Convention and Exposition Center, 97 Sunfield Avenue, Edison, New Jersey 08837, phone 732-417-1400. Free parking is available at the center.

The license application, comments and associated documentation, and

Draft and Final EISs (when published) are available for viewing at the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Web site: <http://www.regulations.gov> under docket number USCG-2013-0363.

Docket submissions for USCG-2013-0363 should be addressed to: Department of Transportation, Docket Management Facility, West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

The Federal Docket Management Facility accepts hand-delivered submissions, and makes docket contents available for public inspection and copying at the above address between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Facility telephone number is 202-366-9329, the fax number is 202-493-2251, and the Web site for electronic submissions or for electronic access to docket contents is <http://www.regulations.gov>.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Roddy Bachman, U.S. Coast Guard, telephone: 202-372-1451, email: [Roddy.C.Bachman@uscg.mil](mailto:Roddy.C.Bachman@uscg.mil), or Tracey Ford, Maritime Administration, telephone: 202-366-0321, email: [Tracey.Ford@dot.gov](mailto:Tracey.Ford@dot.gov). For questions regarding viewing the Docket, call Barbara Hairston, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202-366-9826.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Public Meeting and Open House**

You are invited to learn about the proposed deepwater port at any of the above informational open houses, and to comment at any of the above public meetings on environmental issues related to the proposed deepwater port. Your comments will help us identify and refine the scope of the environmental issues to be addressed in the EIS.

Speaker registration will be available at the door. Speakers at the public scoping meeting will be recognized in the following order: Elected officials, public agencies, individuals or groups in the sign-up order, and anyone else who wishes to speak.

In order to allow everyone a chance to speak at a public meeting, speaker time may be limited, meeting hours may be extended, or both. You must identify yourself, and any organization you represent, by name. Your remarks will be recorded or transcribed for inclusion in the public docket.

You may submit written material at a public meeting, either in lieu of or in addition to speaking. Written material