

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Office of the Secretary****14 CFR Part 382**

[Docket No. DOT–OST–2015–0246]

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Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in Air Travel: Third Meeting of the Negotiated Rulemaking Committee**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Department of Transportation.**ACTION:** Notice of third public meeting of advisory committee.**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the third meeting of the Advisory Committee on Accessible Air Transportation (ACCESS Advisory Committee).**DATES:** The third meeting of the ACCESS Advisory Committee will be held on July 11 and 12, 2016, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time. Members of the public may submit written comments on the topics to be considered during the meeting by July 5, 2016. See Supplementary Information for details.**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Ritz Carlton, Pentagon City, 1250 Hayes Street, Arlington, VA 22202, in the Diplomat Room. Attendance is open to the public up to the room's capacity of 150 attendees. Since space is limited, any member of the general public who plans to attend this meeting must notify the registration contact identified below no later than July 5, 2016.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To register to attend the meeting, please contact Kyle Illgenfritz (kilgenfritz@linkvisum.com; 703–442–4575 extension 128). For other information, please contact Livaughn Chapman or Vinh Nguyen, Office of the Aviation Enforcement and Proceedings, U.S. Department of Transportation, by email at livaughn.chapman@dot.gov or vinh.nguyen@dot.gov or by telephone at 202–366–9342.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Third Public Meeting of the ACCESS Committee**

The third meeting of the ACCESS Advisory Committee will be held on July 11 and 12, 2016, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time. The meeting will be held at the Ritz Carlton, Pentagon City, 1250 Hayes Street, Arlington, VA 22202, in the Diplomat Room. At the meeting, the ACCESS Advisory Committee will continue to

address whether to require accessible inflight entertainment (IFE) and strengthen accessibility requirements for other in-flight communications, whether to require an accessible lavatory on new single-aisle aircraft over a certain size, and whether to amend the definition of “service animals” that may accompany passengers with a disability on a flight. This meeting will include reports from the three working groups on the status of their discussions of the issues identified in previous meetings and any strawman proposals that are being developed. Prior to the meeting, the agenda will be available on the ACCESS Advisory Committee's Web site, www.transportation.gov/access-advisory-committee.

The meeting will be open to the public. Attendance will be limited by the size of the meeting room (maximum 150 attendees). Because space is limited, we ask that any member of the public who plans to attend the meeting notify the registration contact, Kyle Illgenfritz (kilgenfritz@linkvisum.com; 703–442–4575 extension 128) at Linkvisum, no later than July 5, 2016. At the discretion of the facilitator and the Committee and time permitting, members of the public are invited to contribute to the discussion and provide oral comments.

II. Submitting Written Comments

Members of the public may submit written comments on the topics to be considered during the meeting by July 5, 2016, to FDMC, Docket Number DOT–OST–2015–0246. You may submit your comments and material online or by fax, mail, or hand delivery, but please use only one of these means. DOT recommends that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a phone number in the body of your document so that DOT can contact you if there are questions regarding your submission.

To submit your comment online, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, put the docket number, DOT–OST–2015–0246, in the keyword box, and click “Search.” When the new screen appears, click on the “Comment Now!” button and type your comment into the text box on the following screen. Choose whether you are submitting your comment as an individual or on behalf of a third party and then submit. If you submit your comments by mail or hand delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing.

III. Viewing Comments and Documents

To view comments and any documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to

www.regulations.gov. Enter the docket number, DOT–OST–2015–0246, in the keyword box, and click “Search.” Next, click the link to “Open Docket Folder” and choose the document to review. If you do not have access to the Internet, you may view the docket online by visiting the Docket Management Facility in Room W12–140 on the ground floor of the DOT West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

IV. ACCESS Advisory Committee Charter

The ACCESS Advisory Committee is established by charter in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App. 2. Secretary of Transportation Anthony Foxx approved the ACCESS Advisory Committee charter on April 6, 2016. The committee's charter sets forth policies for the operation of the advisory committee and is available on the Department's Web site at www.transportation.gov/office-general-counsel/negotiated-regulations/charter.

V. Privacy Act

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL–14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at www.dot.gov/privacy.

VI. Future Committee Meetings

DOT anticipates that the ACCESS Advisory Committee will have three additional two-day meetings in Washington DC. The meetings are tentatively scheduled for following dates: Fourth meeting, August 16–17; fifth meeting, September 22–23, and the sixth and final meeting, October 13–14. Notices of all future meetings will be published in the **Federal Register** at least 15 calendar days prior to each meeting.

Notice of this meeting is being provided in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act and the General Services Administration regulations covering management of Federal advisory committees. See 41 CFR part 102–3.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institutes of Standards and Technology

15 CFR Part 17

[Docket No.: 160311228-6228-01]

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Technology Innovation—Personnel Exchanges

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), United States Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: NIST is seeking comments on proposed regulations intended to foster the exchange of scientific and technical personnel among academia, industry, including particularly small businesses, and Federal laboratories. Such exchanges are an effective means for accelerating the transfer of Federal laboratory technology to benefit the United States economy. An objective of this rulemaking is to clarify the appropriate use of Cooperative Research and Development Agreement authority by a Federal laboratory for personnel exchanges where the Federal laboratory has an existing relationship with the potential partner through another legal mechanism, as well as in the context of joint research projects or the development of existing laboratory technology, and through use of the General Services Administration's Presidential Innovation Fellows program for Federal laboratory Entrepreneur-in-Residence programs. Another objective of this rulemaking is to remove outdated regulations addressing the licensing of inventions owned by the Department of Commerce. When the comment period is concluded, NIST will analyze the comments received, incorporate comments as appropriate, and publish a final regulation.

DATES: Comments must be received no later than July 27, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number: 160311228-6228-01, through the *Federal e-Rulemaking Portal*: <http://www.regulations.gov> (search using the docket number). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Identify the document by docket ID number and other identifying information (subject heading, **Federal Register** date and page number).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Courtney Silverthorn, via email: courtney.silverthorn@nist.gov, or by telephone: 301-975-4189.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

Does this action apply to me?

This proposed rule may be of interest to you if you are an educational institution, a company (including a small business firm), or a nonprofit institution, that collaborates or would like to collaborate with Federal Government employees on technology research and development of mutual interest.

II. Background

The Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980, Public Law 96-480, as amended (codified at title 15 of the United States Code (U.S.C.), Section 3701 *et seq.*) (the Stevenson-Wydler Act), sets forth a national policy to promote cooperation among academia, Federal laboratories, labor, and industry in order to facilitate the transfer of innovative federal technologies to United States and world markets. In furtherance of that policy, the Administration's *Lab to Market* initiative seeks to "significantly accelerate and improve technology transfer by streamlining administrative processes, facilitating partnerships with industry, evaluating impact, and opening federal research and development (R&D) assets as a platform for innovation and economic growth." (*Lab to Market: Cross Agency Priority Goal Quarterly Progress Update, Fiscal Year 2015 Quarter 4*). One proven method to ensure that federal innovations are made available to industry and the public is to encourage frequent interactions among Federal laboratories, academic institutions, and industry, including small businesses.

A. Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

Pursuant to authority delegated to it by the Secretary of Commerce, NIST is providing notice to the public of proposed rulemaking to remove outdated provisions in part 17 of title 15 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) regarding the licensing of inventions owned by the Department, and to revise part 17 to address the use of personnel exchange authorities and programs as authorized under 15 U.S.C. 3712, which authorizes the establishment of a program to foster the exchange of

scientific and technical personnel among academia, industry, and Federal laboratories.

Under the Stevenson-Wydler Act, several mechanisms have been developed which are being used by various Federal agencies for exchanging personnel with the public and private sectors. The proposed rules will facilitate agencies' use of existing mechanisms, as well as provide for more integrated programs intended to expand the exchange of personnel as authorized under section 3712, in order to accelerate the transfer of innovative technologies from Federal laboratories for the benefit of the United States and its economy. Some current authorities relevant to personnel exchange between Federal laboratories and non-federal partners are described below.

B. Current Personnel Exchange Mechanisms

1. *Cooperative Research and Development Agreement*—The Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) is one of the principal mechanisms used by Federal laboratories to engage in collaborative efforts with non-federal partners to achieve the goals of technology transfer. It affords discretion to Government Owned Government Operated (GOGO) and Government Owned Contractor Operated (GOCO) laboratories to enter into collaborative agreements with many types of organizations. CRADAs allow one or more Federal laboratories and one or more non-federal parties (*i.e.*, state or local government units; industrial organizations; public and private foundations; universities and other non-profit organizations; and other individuals who are licensees of Government-owned inventions) to collaborate to conduct specified research and development-related activities that are consistent with the laboratory's mission. Technical assistance can also be provided to small businesses. The legal authority for this personnel exchange mechanism via mutual collaboration on research and development projects is 15 U.S.C. 3710a. DOE has recently used the CRADA authority to enable a pilot program for public-private entrepreneurial partnerships between Federal laboratories and the private sector for the placement of personnel. The DOE's Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory provides a virtual home for entrepreneurial clean-energy researchers through "Cyclotron Road," a new public-private partnership to advance energy technologies until they can succeed beyond the laboratory. This new, competitive opportunity provides