

purpose of these reviews is to ensure that the Reports present a comprehensive, objective, and balanced view of the areas they cover.

All IPCC reports go through two broad reviews: a “first-order draft” reviewed by experts, and a “second-order draft” reviewed by both experts and governments. The IPCC Secretariat has informed the U.S. Department of State that the second-order draft of the Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5 °C is available for Expert and Government Review.

As part of the U.S. Government Review, starting on 8 January 2018, experts wishing to contribute to the U.S. Government review are encouraged to register via the USGCRP Review and Comment System (<https://review.globalchange.gov/>). Instructions and the report itself will be available for download. The USGCRP coordination office will compile U.S. expert comments and submit to the IPCC, on behalf of the Department of State, by the prescribed deadline. U.S. experts have the opportunity to submit properly formatted comments via the USGCRP Review and Comment System (<https://review.globalchange.gov/>) from 8 January to 8 February 2018. To be considered for inclusion in the U.S. Government submission, comments must be received by 8 February 2018.

Experts may choose to provide comments directly through the IPCC’s Expert Review process, which occurs in parallel with the U.S. Government Review. Registration opened on 15 December 2017, and runs through 18 February 2018: <https://www.ipcc.ch/apps/comments/sr15/sod/register.php>

The Government and Expert Review of the IPCC Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5 °C ends February 25, 2018.

This notice will be published in the **Federal Register**.

Holly Kirking-Loomis,

Acting Director, Office of Global Change, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 10257]

Notice of Determinations; Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition Determinations: “The Second Buddha: Master of Time” Exhibition

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: I hereby determine that certain objects to be

included in the exhibition “The Second Buddha: Master of Time,” imported from abroad for temporary exhibition within the United States, are of cultural significance. The objects are imported pursuant to loan agreements with the foreign owners or custodians. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at the Rubin Museum of Art, New York, New York, from on or about February 2, 2018, until on or about January 7, 2019, at the Frances Young Tang Teaching Museum and Art Gallery at Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, New York, from on or about February 9, 2019, until on or about May 19, 2019, and at possible additional exhibitions or venues yet to be determined, is in the national interest.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elliot Chiu in the Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (telephone: 202–632–6471; email: section2459@state.gov). The mailing address is U.S. Department of State, L/PD, SA–5, Suite 5H03, Washington, DC 20522–0505.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The foregoing determinations were made pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 (79 Stat. 985; 22 U.S.C. 2459), E.O. 12047 of March 27, 1978, the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (112 Stat. 2681, *et seq.*; 22 U.S.C. 6501 note, *et seq.*), Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999, Delegation of Authority No. 236–3 of August 28, 2000 (and, as appropriate, Delegation of Authority No. 257–1 of December 11, 2015). I have ordered that Public Notice of these determinations be published in the **Federal Register**.

Alyson Grunder,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA–2017–0130]

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

Under part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this provides the public notice that on December 20, 2017, the Association of American Railroads (AAR), on behalf of itself and its member railroads, petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from certain

provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR part 232, *Brake System Safety Standards for Freight and Other Non-Passenger Trains and Equipment; End-of-Train Devices*. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA–2017–0130.

In its petition, AAR requests a waiver of compliance from the requirement of 49 CFR 232.205(b)—*Class I brake test—initial terminal inspection*, 232.209(a)—*Class II brake tests—intermediate inspection*, 232.211(a)—*Class III brake tests—trainline continuity inspection*, and 232.217(c)—*Train brake tests conducted using yard air*; for the common element that the test or inspection must be performed if (among other requirements) the car or cars have been off-air for more than four hours. AAR requests that the four-hour off-air restrictions in these four regulations be replaced by a 24-hour off-air restriction, which would reflect substantial advancements in air brake technology since the rule was promulgated, and would harmonize United States and Canadian operations.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov and in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation’s (DOT) Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, W12–140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- **Website:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- **Fax:** 202–493–2251.
- **Mail:** Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, W12–140, Washington, DC 20590.
- **Hand Delivery:** 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m.