III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act 7 and paragraph (f) of Rule 19b-48 thereunder. At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission will institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be approved or disapproved.

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. Please include File Number SR–CBOE–2018–063 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-CBOE-2018-063. 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 website (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 website viewing and printing in the Commission's Public

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.⁹

Eduardo A. Aleman,

Assistant Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Interest Rates

The Small Business Administration publishes an interest rate called the optional "peg" rate (13 CFR 120.214) on a quarterly basis. This rate is a weighted average cost of money to the government for maturities similar to the average SBA direct loan. This rate may be used as a base rate for guaranteed fluctuating interest rate SBA loans. This rate will be 2.875 percent for the October—December quarter of FY 2019.

Pursuant to 13 CFR 120.921(b), the maximum legal interest rate for any third party lender's commercial loan which funds any portion of the cost of a 504 project (see 13 CFR 120.801) shall be 6% over the New York Prime rate or, if that exceeds the maximum interest rate permitted by the constitution or laws of a given State, the maximum interest rate will be the rate permitted by the constitution or laws of the given State.

Dianna L. Seaborn,

 $\label{eq:Director} Director, Office of Financial Assistance. \\ [FR Doc. 2018–21118 Filed 9–27–18; 8:45 am]$

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #15675; Florida Disaster Number FL-00138 Declaration of Economic Injury]

Administrative Declaration Amendment of an Economic Injury Disaster for the State of Florida

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business

Administration. **ACTION:** Amendment 1.

SUMMARY: This is an amendment of an Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) declaration for the State of Florida, dated 09/04/2018.

Incident: Red Tide Algal Bloom. Incident Period: 11/01/2017 and continuing.

DATES: Issued on 09/20/2018. Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date: 06/04/2019.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW, Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416, (202) 205–6734.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of an Economic Injury declaration for the State of FLORIDA dated 09/04/2018, is hereby amended to include the following areas as adversely affected by the disaster.

Primary Counties: Pinellas Contiguous Counties: Florida: Pasco

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 59008)

Dated: September 20, 2018.

Linda E. McMahon,

Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 10570]

Certification Pursuant to Section 7041(a)(1) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2018

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Secretary of State pursuant to section 7041(a)(1) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related

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. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that we do not redact or edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. All submissions should refer to File Number SR–CBOE–2018–063 and should be submitted on or before October 19, 2018.

^{7 15} U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

^{8 17} CFR 240.19b-4(f).

^{9 17} CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

Programs Appropriations Act, 2018 (Div. K, Pub. L. 115–141), I hereby certify that the Government of Egypt is sustaining the strategic relationship with the United States and meeting its obligations under the 1979 Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty.

This determination shall be published in the **Federal Register** and, along with the accompanying Memorandum of Justification, shall be reported to Congress.

Dated: August 20, 2018.

Michael R. Pompeo,

Secretary of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 10569]

Determination Pursuant to Section 7041(A)(3)(B) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2017

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Secretary of State pursuant to section 7041(a)(3)(B) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2017 (Div. J. Pub. L. 115–31) (the "Act"), I hereby determine that it is important to the national security interest of the United States to waive the certification requirement under section 7041(a)(3)(A) of the Act. I hereby waive that requirement.

This determination shall be published in the **Federal Register** and shall be reported to Congress, along with the accompanying Memorandum of Justification.

Dated: August 20, 2018.

Michael R. Pompeo,

Secretary of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 10564]

Notice of Public Meeting of the International Telecommunication Advisory Committee and Preparations for Upcoming International Telecommunications Meetings

This notice announces a meeting of the Department of State's International Telecommunication Advisory Committee (ITAC). The ITAC will meet on October 17, 2018, at AT&T, 1120, 20th Street NW, Washington DC at 2:00 p.m. to review the results of recent multilateral meetings', update on preparations for the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) 2018 Plenipotentiary Conference (PP–18), and discuss preparations for other upcoming multilateral meetings at the ITU. The meeting will focus on the following topics:

- 1. ITU Council
- 2. CITEL Meetings
- 3. Preparations for the ITU PP-18
- 4. Regional PP-18 Preparatory Groups
- 5. Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Telecommunications Working Group 58 (TEL 58)
- 6. Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Committee on Digital Economy Policy (CDEP)
- 7. G20 Digital Economy Task Force
- 8. G7 Innovation/ICT Track

PP-18 will take place in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, from October 29 to November 17, 2018. The Plenipotentiary Conference, which takes place every four years, is the highest policy-making body of the ITU. PP-18 is expected to determine the overall policy direction of the ITU; adopt the strategic and financial plans for the next four years; and elect the 48 members of Council, 12 members of the Radio Regulations Board, and five senior ITU elected officials.

The OECD is scoping possible principles to foster trust in and adoption of artificial intelligence. The Department of State would welcome any written comments on this work to the ITAC email address.

Attendance at the ITAC meeting is open to the public as seating capacity allows. The public will have an opportunity to provide comments at this meeting at the invitation of the chair. Persons wishing to request reasonable accommodation during the meeting should send their requests to ITAC@ state.gov no later than October 11, 2018. Requests made after that time will be considered, but might not be able to be accommodated.

Further details on this ITAC meeting will be announced through the Department of State's email list, ITAC@ Imlist.state.gov. Use of the ITAC list is limited to meeting announcements and confirmations, distribution of agendas and other relevant meeting documents. The Department welcomes any U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident to remain on or join the ITAC listserv by registering by email via ITAC@state.gov and providing his or her name, email address, telephone contact and the company, organization, or community that he or she is representing, if any.

Please send all inquiries to *ITAC*@ state.gov.

Adam W. Lusin,

Director, Multilateral Affairs, International Communications and Information Policy, U.S. Department of State.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. MCF 21083]

National Express LLC—Acquisition of Control—Wise Coaches, Inc.

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board. **ACTION:** Notice tentatively approving and authorizing finance transaction.

SUMMARY: On August 31, 2018, National Express LLC (National Express) and Alan Wise (collectively, Applicants), noncarriers, jointly filed an application under 49 U.S.C. 14303 for National Express to acquire control of Wise Coaches, Inc. d/b/a Wise Coach of Nashville (Wise). The Board is tentatively approving and authorizing the transaction, and, if no opposing comments are timely filed, this notice will be the final Board action. Persons wishing to oppose the application must follow the rules at 49 CFR 1182.5 & 1182.8.

DATES: Comments must be filed by November 13, 2018. Applicants may file a reply by November 27, 2018. If no opposing comments are filed by November 13, 2018, this notice shall be effective on November 14, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Send an original and 10 copies of any comments referring to Docket No. MCF 21083 to: Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423–0001. In addition, send one copy of comments to National Express' representative: Andrew K. Light, Scopelitis, Garvin, Light, Hanson & Feary, P.C., 10 W Market Street, Suite 1400, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sarah Fancher (202) 245–0355. Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) for the hearing impaired: 1–800–877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: According to the application, National Express is a non-carrier holding company organized under the laws of the state of Delaware that is indirectly controlled by a British corporation, National Express Group, PLC (Express Group). (Appl. 1–2.) Applicants state that Express Group indirectly controls the following passenger motor carriers (collectively, National Express Affiliated Carriers):