

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Notice of Application for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits Filed Under Subpart Q During the Week Ending August 1, 1997**

The following Applications for Certifications of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits were filed under Subpart Q of the Department of Transportation's Procedural Regulations (See 14 CFR 302.1701 et. seq.). The due date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motions to Modify Scope are set forth below for each application. Following the Answer period DOT may process the application by expedited procedures. Such procedures may consist of the adoption of a show-cause order, a tentative order, or in appropriate cases a final order without further proceedings.

Docket Number: OST-97-2768.

Date Filed: July 29, 1997.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: August 26, 1997.

Description: Application of Far Eastern Air Transport Corporation, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. Section 41302 and Subpart Q of the Regulations, applies for a Foreign Air Carrier Permit that would permit Far Eastern to engage in scheduled and charter foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail between any point or points in Taiwan, on the one hand, and Guam, on the other.

Paulette V. Twine,

Chief, Documentary Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Coast Guard**

[CGD 96-048]

National Boating Safety Activities: Funding for National Nonprofit Public Service Organizations

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of availability; reopening and extension of application period.

SUMMARY: In a notice published October 1, 1996, the Coast Guard announced the availability of funds for grants to enter into financial assistance agreements with national nonprofit public service organizations to promote boating safety on a national level. The notice sought applications for grant proposals for projects that might be eligible for this

assistance. This notice reopens and extends the period for submission of additional grant application proposals.

DATES: Proposals must be received before 4:30 p.m. eastern time August 20, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Application packages may be obtained by contacting Ms. Betty Alley, Office of Boating Safety, U.S. Coast Guard (G-OPB-1g/room 3100), 2100 Second Street, SW, Washington, DC 10593-0001; (202) 267-0954 and proposals submitted to Commandant (G-OPB-1g), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Room 3100, Washington, DC 20593-0001

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ms. Betty Alley, Office of Boating Safety, U.S. Coast Guard (G-OPB-1g/room 3100), 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001; (202) 267-0954. You may obtain a copy of this Notice by calling the Coast Guard Infoline at 1-800-368-5647, or on the Internet Office of Boating Safety Web Site at URL address <http://www.uscgboating.org/>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title 26, United States Code, section 9504, establishes the Boat Safety Account of the Aquatic Resources Trust Fund. The Coast Guard may award up to 5 percent of the available funds to national, nonprofit, public service organizations to promote national boating safety. For fiscal year 1997, \$2,250,000 is available for grant awards. The Coast Guard has not yet obligated all of these funds. Nothing in this announcement should be construed as committing the Coast Guard to dividing available funds among qualified applicants or awarding any specified amount.

It is anticipated that several awards will be made by the Director of Operations Policy, U.S. Coast Guard. Applicants must be non-governmental, nonprofit, public service organizations and must establish that their activities are, in fact, national in scope. An application package may be obtained by writing or calling the point of contact listed in **ADDRESSES**. The application package contains all necessary forms, an explanation of how the grant program is administered, and a checklist for submitting a grant application. Specific information on organization eligibility, proposal requirements, award procedures, and financial administration procedures may be obtained by contacting the person listed in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. The application submission period is limited to August 20, 1997, to allow for processing of applications received before the close of the fiscal year.

Proposals addressing the general areas of continuing and particular interest identified in the initial notice published on October 1, 1996 (61 FR 51312) or other boating safety concerns are welcome. A more detailed discussion of specific projects of interest to the Coast Guard may be obtained by contacting the Coast Guard Infoline at (800) 368-5647 and requesting a copy of a specific proposal. The Boating Safety Financial Assistance Program is listed in section 20.005 of the Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog.

Dated: August 1, 1997.

James D. Hull,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Director of Operations Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**National Highway Traffic Safety Administration****Research and Development Programs Meeting**

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a public meeting at which NHTSA will describe and discuss specific research and development projects. Further, the notice requests suggestions for topics to be presented by the agency.

DATES AND TIMES: The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration will hold a public meeting devoted primarily to presentations of specific research and development projects on September 17, 1997, beginning at 1:30 p.m. and ending at approximately 5:00 p.m. The deadline for interested parties to suggest agenda topics is 4:15 p.m. on August 21, 1997. Questions may be submitted in advance regarding the agency's research and development projects. They must be submitted in writing by September 3, 1997, to the address given below. If sufficient time is available, questions received after the September 3 date will be answered at the meeting in the discussion period. The individual, group, or company asking a question does not have to be present for the question to be answered. A consolidated list of the questions submitted by September 3 will be available at the meeting and will be mailed to requesters after the meeting.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Tysons Westpark Hotel, 8401 Westpark Drive, McLean, Virginia. Suggestions for specific R&D topics as

described below and questions for the September 17, 1997, meeting relating to the agency's research and development programs should be submitted to the Office of the Associate Administrator for Research and Development, NRD-01, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Room 6206, 400 Seventh St., S.W., Washington, DC 20590. The fax number is (202) 366-5930.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NHTSA intends to provide detailed presentations about its research and development programs in a series of public meetings. The series started in April 1993. The purpose is to make available more complete and timely information regarding the agency's research and development programs. This eighteenth meeting in the series will be held on September 17, 1997.

NHTSA requests suggestions from interested parties on the specific agenda topics to be presented. NHTSA will base its decisions about the agenda, in part, on the suggestions it receives by close of business at 4:15 p.m. on August 21, 1997. Before the meeting, it will publish a notice with an agenda listing the research and development topics to be discussed. The agenda can also be obtained by calling or faxing the information numbers listed elsewhere in this notice. NHTSA asks that the suggestions be limited to six, in priority order, so that the presentations at the September 17 R&D meeting can be most useful to the audience. Specific R&D topics are listed below. Many of these topics have been discussed at previous meetings. Suggestions for agenda topics are not restricted to this listing, and interested parties are invited to suggest other R&D topics of specific interest to their organizations.

Specific R&D topics are:

- On-line tracking system for NHTSA's research projects, and
- Crash Injury Research and Engineering Network (CIREN).

Specific Crashworthiness R&D topics are:

- Automatic lifesaving system—improved triage, transport, and treatment decisionmaking for automatic collision notification technologies,
- Status of advanced air bag research, Demonstration of CD ROM for child restraint/vehicle compatibility,
- Preparation of new dummies for assessment of advanced air bag technology,
- Status of research on restraint systems for rollover protection,
- Improved frontal crash protection (program status, problem

- identification, offset testing),
- Advanced glazing research,
- Vehicle aggressivity and fleet compatibility,
- Upgrade side crash protection,
- Upgrade seat and occupant restraint systems,
- Child safety research (ISOFIX),
- Child restraint/air bag interaction (CRABI) dummy testing,
- Truck crashworthiness/occupant protection,
- National Transportation Biomechanics Research Center (NTBRC),
- Head and neck injury research,
- Lower extremity injury research,
- Thorax injury research,
- Human injury simulation and analysis,
- Refinements to the Hybrid III dummy, and
- Advanced frontal test dummy.

Specific Crash Avoidance R&D topics are:

- Intelligent vehicle initiative,
- Status and plans for anti-lock brake system (ABS) research,
- Truck tire traction,
- Human factors guidelines for crash avoidance warning devices,
- Drowsy driver monitoring,
- Driver workload assessment,
- Preliminary rear-end collision avoidance system guidelines,
- Preliminary road departure collision avoidance system guidelines,
- Preliminary intersection collision avoidance system guidelines, and
- Preliminary lane change/merge collision avoidance system guidelines.

National Center for Statistics and Analysis (NCSA) topic is:

- Special crash investigation studies of air bag cases.

Separately, questions regarding research projects that have been submitted in writing not later than close of business on September 3, 1997, will be answered. A transcript of the meeting, copies of materials handed out at the meeting, and copies of the suggestions offered by commenters will be available for public inspection at NHTSA's Technical Information Services, Room 5108, 400 Seventh St., S.W., Washington, DC 20590. Copies of the transcript will then be available at 10 cents a page, upon request to NHTSA's Technical Information Services. The Technical Information Services section is open to the public from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

NHTSA will provide technical aids to participants as necessary, during the Research and Development Programs Meeting. Thus, any person desiring the

assistance of "auxiliary aids" (e.g., sign-language interpreter, telecommunication devices for deaf persons (TTDs), readers, taped texts, braille materials, or large print materials and/or a magnifying device), please contact Rita Gibbons on (202) 366-4862 or by telefax on (202) 366-5930 by close of business September 5, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rita Gibbons, Staff Assistant, Office of Research and Development, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: (202) 366-4862. Fax number: (202) 366-5930.

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Associate Administrator for Research and Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

July 30, 1997.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

Special Request

In order to begin the survey described below in mid-August 1997, the Department of the Treasury is requesting that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) review and approve this information collection by August 8, 1997. To obtain a copy of this study, please contact the Internal Revenue Service Clearance Officer at the address listed below.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-1432.

Project Number: M:SP:V 97-018-G.

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: 1997 IRS Customer Satisfaction Survey.

Description: The purpose of this survey is to collect information to determine taxpayer opinions about the quality of service provided by the IRS; to determine the relative importance of