

Committee on Private International Law to consider issues relating to domestic implementation of the Convention. This is not a meeting of the full Advisory Committee.

The United States signed the Convention on January 19, 2009. The State Department is considering submission of the Convention to the Senate for its advice and consent to ratification. It is expected that the Convention will be accompanied by federal implementing legislation. The Study Group will be invited to comment on the content of such legislation, on the question of whether federal implementing legislation might be supplemented by a uniform state law, and on the question of what declarations the United States might make in its instrument of ratification.

Time and Place: The public meeting of the Study Group will take place in Room 240, South Building, 2430 E St., NW., Washington, DC on July 27, 2009. Visitors should appear at the gate at the southwest corner of 23rd and C Streets by 8:45 a.m. EDT. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. and is scheduled to last until 5 p.m., with a lunch break from noon–2 p.m. If you are unable to attend the public meeting and would like to participate from a remote location, teleconferencing will be available.

Public Participation: Advisory Committee Study Group meetings are open to the public. Persons wishing to attend must, before July 20, contact Trisha Smeltzer at smeltzertk@state.gov or 202–776–8423 and provide their name, date of birth, and social security number for pre-clearance purposes, as well as e-mail address and affiliation. Please contact Ms. Smeltzer for additional meeting information, including teleconferencing dial-in details. Persons who cannot attend or participate by telephone but who wish to comment on the topics referred to above may do so by e-mail to Ms. Smeltzer.

Dated: June 9, 2009.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Notice of Effective Date

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice of effective date for goods of Canada for certain

modifications of the NAFTA Rules of Origin.

SUMMARY: In Proclamation 8323 of November 25, 2008, the President modified the rules of origin for certain goods of Canada under the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) incorporated in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (the “HTS”). The proclamation stated that the modifications would be effective on the date that the United States Trade Representative (USTR) announced in the **Federal Register** and are effective with respect to goods of Canada that are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after the date indicated in the notice. The purpose of this notice is to announce that the effective date for the modifications is July 1, 2009. The changes were printed in the **Federal Register** of November 28, 2008, Volume 73, Number 230, page 72,682.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, please contact Caroyl Miller, Deputy Textile Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20508, fax number (202) 395–5639.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Presidential Proclamation 6641 of December 15, 1993, implemented the NAFTA with respect to the United States and, pursuant to the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (Pub.L. 103–182) (the “NAFTA Implementation Act”), incorporated in the HTS the tariff modifications and rules of origin necessary or appropriate to carry out the NAFTA. Section 202 of the NAFTA Implementation Act (19 U.S.C. 3332) provides rules for determining whether goods imported into the United States originate in the territory of a NAFTA country and thus are eligible for the tariff and other treatment contemplated under the NAFTA. Section 202(q) of the NAFTA Implementation Act (19 U.S.C. 3332(q)) authorizes the President to proclaim, as a part of the HTS, the rules of origin set out in the NAFTA and to proclaim modifications to such previously proclaimed rules of origin, subject to the consultation and layover requirements of section 103(a) of the NAFTA Implementation Act (19 U.S.C. 3313(a)).

The President determined that the modifications to the HTS contained in Proclamation 8323 pursuant to sections 201 and 202 of the NAFTA Implementation Act were appropriate and proclaimed such changes with

respect to goods of Canada and modified general note 12 to the HTS. The proclamation further provides that the effective date of the modifications shall be on the date that the USTR announces in a notice published in the **Federal Register**. The modifications are effective with respect to goods of Canada entered or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption on the date indicated in this notice.

On May 27, 2008, the government of Canada notified the U.S. government that it had obtained the necessary authorization to implement the rule of origin changes with respect to goods of the United States. Subsequently, officials of the government of Canada and the Government of the United States agreed to implement these changes with respect to each other's eligible goods, effective July 1, 2009.

Ronald Kirk,

United States Trade Representative.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Notice of Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits Filed Under Subpart B (Formerly Subpart Q) During the Week Ending June 6, 2009

The following Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits were filed under Subpart B (formerly Subpart Q) of the Department of Transportation's Procedural Regulations (*See* 14 CFR 301.201 *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: DOT–OST–2004–17315.

Date Filed: June 1, 2009.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: June 22, 2009.

Description: Application of Cargojet Airways, Ltd. (“Cargojet”) requesting the Department amend and renew its exemption authority, and issue it a foreign air carrier permit, authorizing it to engage in: (1) Foreign scheduled and charter air transportation of persons,

property and mail from points behind Canada, via Canada and intermediate points, to a point or points in the United States and beyond; (2) foreign scheduled and charter air transportation of property and mail between any point or points in the United States and any other point or points; and (3) other charter operations. Cargojet also requests a statement of authorization to conduct intermodal cargo service between any U.S. point and any other U.S. point.

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Supervisory Dockets Officer, Docket Operations, Alternate Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA 2009-0001-N-14]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and its implementing regulations, the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) hereby announces that it is seeking re-approval of the following information collection activities that were previously approved by OMB under Emergency Clearance Procedures. Before submitting these information collection requirements for clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), FRA is soliciting public comment on specific aspects of the activities identified below.

DATES: Comments must be received no later than August 25, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on any or all of the following proposed activities by mail to either: Ms. Wynne Davis, Office of Railroad Development, RDV-3, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 17, Washington, DC 20590, or Ms. Nakia Jackson, Office of Information Technology, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590. Commenters requesting FRA to acknowledge receipt of their respective comments must include a self-addressed stamped postcard stating, "Comments on OMB control number 2130-0580." Alternatively, comments may be

transmitted via facsimile to (202) 493-6330 or (202) 493-6497, or via e-mail to Ms. Davis at wynne.davis@dot.gov, or to Ms. Jackson at nakia.jackson@dot.gov. Please refer to the assigned OMB control number and the title of the information collection in any correspondence submitted. FRA will summarize comments received in response to this notice in a subsequent notice and include them in its information collection submission to OMB for approval.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Wynne Davis, Office of Railroad Development, RDV-3, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 17, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6441) or Ms. Nakia Jackson, Office of Information Technology, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6073). (These telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Public Law 104-13, § 2, 109 Stat. 163 (1995) (codified as revised at 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR Part 1320, require Federal agencies to provide 60-days notice to the public for comment on information collection activities before seeking approval of such activities by OMB. 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), 1320.10(e)(1), 1320.12(a). Specifically, FRA invites interested respondents to comment on the following summary of proposed information collection activities regarding (i) whether the information collection activities are necessary for FRA to properly execute its functions, including whether the activities will have practical utility; (ii) the accuracy of FRA's estimates of the burden of the information collection activities, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine the estimates; (iii) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (iv) ways for FRA to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public by automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology (e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses). See 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)(i)-(iv); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1)(i)-(iv). FRA believes that soliciting public comment will promote its efforts to reduce the administrative and paperwork burdens associated with the collection of information mandated

by Federal regulations. In summary, FRA reasons that comments received will advance three objectives: (i) Reduce reporting burdens; (ii) ensure that it organizes information collection requirements in a "user friendly" format to improve the use of such information; and (iii) accurately assess the resources expended to retrieve and produce information requested. See 44 U.S.C. 3501.

Below is a brief summary of the information collection activities that FRA will submit for renewed clearance by OMB as required under the PRA:

Title: Notice of Funding Availability and Solicitation of Applications for Grants under the Railroad Rehabilitation and Repair Grant Program.

OMB Control Number: 2130-0580.

Abstract: On September 30, 2008, President Bush signed Public Law 110-329, The Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009. As part of this Act, Congress provided \$20 million in disaster relief funds to FRA to award to States in one or more grants for eligible projects related to repair and rehabilitation of Class II and Class III railroad infrastructure damaged by hurricanes, floods, and other natural disasters in counties for which the President declared a major disaster under title IV of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1974. These funds are available for rehabilitation and repairs of railroad right-of-way, bridges, signals, and other infrastructure which are part of the general railroad system of transportation and primarily used by railroads to move freight traffic. The Secretary may retain up to one-half of one (1) percent of these funds for the oversight of the design and implementation of projects funded by grants under this Program. Funds provided under this grant program may constitute no more than 80 percent of the total cost of a selected project, with the remaining cost funded from other sources. The funding provided under these grants will be made available to grantees on a reimbursement basis. FRA anticipates awarding grants to multiple eligible participants. FRA may choose to award a grant or grants within the available funds in any amount. Funding made available through grants provided under this program, together with funding from other sources that is committed by a grantee as part of a grant agreement, must be sufficient to complete the funded project and achieve the anticipated rehabilitation and repairs to Class II and Class III railroads. New applications will be accepted after publication of a future