

Methodology

Passport Services collects information from parents or legal guardians of U.S. citizens and non-citizen nationals minors when they complete and submit the Statement of Consent or Special Circumstances: Issuance of a Passport to a Minor under Age 16. Passport applicants can either download the DS-3053 from the internet or obtain one from an Acceptance Facility/Passport Agency. The form must be completed, signed, and submitted along with the applicant's DS-11, Application for a U.S. Passport.

Dated: March 18, 2016.

Brenda S. Sprague,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Passport Services, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 9504]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Electronic Diversity Visa Entry Form

ACTION: Notice of request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB.

DATES: The Department will accept comments from the public up to *May 31, 2016*.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- **Web:** Persons with access to the Internet may comment on this notice by going to www.Regulations.gov. You can search for the document by entering "Docket Number: DOS-2016-0014 in the Search field. Then click the "Comment Now" button and complete the comment form.

- **Email:** PRA_BurdenComments@state.gov. You must include the DS form number, information collection title, and the OMB control number in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection

listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to Taylor Mauck, who may be reached on 202-485-7635 or at PRA_BurdenComments@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- **Title of Information Collection:** Electronic Diversity Visa Entry Form.
- **OMB Control Number:** 1405-0153.
- **Type of Request:** Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.
- **Originating Office:** CA/VO/L/R.
- **Form Number:** DS-5501.
- **Respondents:** Immigrant Visa Applicants.
- **Estimated Number of Respondents:** 11,072,400.
- **Estimated Number of Responses:** 11,072,400.
- **Average Time per Response:** 30 Minutes.
- **Total Estimated Burden Time:** 5,536,200 hours.
- **Frequency:** Annually.
- **Obligation to Respond:** Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

Abstract of proposed collection: The Department of State utilizes the Electronic Diversity Visa Lottery (EDV) Entry Form to elicit information necessary to ascertain the applicability of the legal provisions of the diversity immigrant visa program. The 2 primary requirements are: The applicant is from a low admission country and is a high school graduate, or has two years of experience in a job that requires two years of training. The foreign nationals complete the electronic entry forms and then applications are randomly selected for further participation in the program. Department of State regulations

pertaining to diversity immigrant visas under the INA are published in 22 CFR 42.33.

Methodology: The EDV Entry Form is available online at www.dvlottery.state.gov and can only be submitted electronically during the annual registration period.

Dated: March 2, 2016.

Edward Ramotowski,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 9500]

Notice of Public Meeting

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs (OES), Office of Marine Conservation announces that the Advisory Panel to the U.S. Section of the North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission will meet on May 9th, 2016.

DATES: The meeting will take place via teleconference on May 9th, 2016 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Eastern time.

Meeting Details: The teleconference call-in number is toll-free 877-336-1831, passcode 6472335, and will have a limited number of lines for members of the public to access from anywhere in the United States. Callers will hear instructions for using the passcode and joining the call after dialing the toll-free number noted. Members of the public wishing to participate in the teleconference must contact the OES officer in charge as noted in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section below no later than close of business on Friday, May 6th, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elana Katz-Mink, Office of Marine Conservation, OES, Room 2758, U.S. Department of State, 2201 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20520. Telephone (202) 647-1073, fax (202) 736-7350, email address katz-minkeh@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is given that the Advisory Panel to the U.S. Section of the North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission (NPAFC) will meet on the date and time noted above. The panel consists of members from the states of Alaska and Washington who represent the broad range of fishing and conservation interests in anadromous and ecologically related species in the North Pacific. Certain members also represent

relevant state and regional authorities. The panel was established in 1992 to advise the U.S. Section of the NPAFC on research needs and priorities for anadromous species, such as salmon, and ecologically related species occurring in the high seas of the North Pacific Ocean. The upcoming Panel meeting will focus on a review of the agenda for the 2016 annual meeting of the NPAFC (May 16–20, 2016; Busan, Republic of Korea). Background material is available from the point of contact noted above and by visiting www.npafc.org.

Dated: March 22, 2016.

William Gibbons-Fly,

*Director, Office of Marine Conservation,
Department of State.*

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[STB Docket No. EP 670 (Sub-No. 1)]

Notice of Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.

ACTION: Notice of Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee (RETAC), pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. app. 2 10(a)(2).

DATES: The meeting will be held on Friday, April 15, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. C.D.T.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the BNSF Railway Corporate Headquarters at 2650 Lou Menk Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76131–2830. Members of the public who wish to attend are encouraged to contact Katherine Bourdon (see contact information below) in advance to avoid delays in security processing on the day of the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Katherine Bourdon (202) 245–0285; Katherine.Bourdon@stb.dot.gov.

[Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at: (800) 877–8339.]

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: RETAC was formed in 2007 to provide advice and guidance to the Board, and to serve as a forum for discussion of emerging issues related to the transportation of energy resources by rail, including coal, ethanol, and other biofuels,

Establishment of a Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee, Docket No. EP 670. The purpose of this meeting is to continue discussions regarding issues such as rail performance, capacity constraints, infrastructure planning and development, and effective coordination among suppliers, carriers, and users of energy resources. Potential agenda items for this meeting include a performance measures review, industry segment updates by RETAC members, and a roundtable discussion.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will be conducted in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2; Federal Advisory Committee Management regulations, 41 CFR pt. 102–3; RETAC's charter; and Board procedures. Further communications about this meeting may be announced through the Board's Web site at WWW.STB.DOT.GOV.

Written Comments: Members of the public may submit written comments to RETAC at any time. Comments should be addressed to RETAC, c/o Katherine Bourdon, Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423–0001 or Katherine.Bourdon@stb.dot.gov.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 1321, 49 U.S.C. 11101; 49 U.S.C. 11121.

Decided: March 24, 2016.

By the Board, Joseph H. Dettmar, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

Brendetta S. Jones,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No. FAA–2015–2836]

Guidance on the Procedures and Process To Petition the Secretary Under the Airport and Airway Improvement Act

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of final policy.

SUMMARY: This final policy establishes the procedures and processes to petition the Secretary under the Airport and Airway Improvement Act 49 U.S.C. 47106(c)(1)(A)(ii). The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) issued guidance on the procedures and process to petition the Secretary under 49 U.S.C. 47106(c)(1)(A)(ii) in the **Federal Register** on August 4, 2015. This guidance is intended to provide detail

and clarity about who may petition the Secretary, when such a petition may be filed, how the petition may be made, and the procedures and process to petition the Secretary under this Section of the Airport and Airway Improvement Act.

DATES: *Effective Date:* The Guidance becomes effective immediately upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By **Federal Register** Notice issued on August 4, 2015 (80 FR 46380), the FAA notified the public of the issuance for public comment of proposed Guidance on the Procedures and Process to Petition the Secretary under the Airports and Airway Improvement Act. FAA requested comments, suggestions and recommendations that would assist the agency in assessing and understanding the potential effects and implications of providing guidance on the procedures for and process of the right to petition the Secretary under 49 U.S.C. Section 47106(c)(1)(A)(ii). The Notice called for public comments to be received by FAA on or before October 5, 2015. No comments were received by that date. Other than editorial changes and one minor clarification, this final Guidance is identical to the proposed guidance.

I. Background

In 1982, Congress enacted the Airport and Airway Improvement Act (AAIA) (Pub. L. 97–248). Relevant portions of the AAIA are codified in 49 U.S.C. Chapter 471, Subchapter I, Airport Improvement. The AAIA, among other items, established the current-day Airport Improvement Program (AIP) that is administered by the FAA's Office of Airports. Through the AIP, the FAA provides grants to public agencies—and, in limited cases, to private airport owners and operators—for the planning and development of public-use airports that are included in the National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS). The current AIP program built on earlier grant programs that are funded through a variety of user fees and fuel taxes. For more information on the history of the AIP and predecessor grant programs, see <http://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/>.

The AAIA also provides certain prerequisites and conditions that an airport sponsor must meet in order to be eligible for consideration of AIP funding. In 1992, Congress amended various provisions of the AAIA with the Airport and Airway Safety, Capacity, Noise Improvement, and Intermodal Transportation Act, Public Law 102–581. Section 113(b), Public Access and Participation with Respect to Airport