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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

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National Boating Safety Advisory Council

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The National Boating Safety Advisory Council (NBSAC) and its subcommittees on boat occupant protection, prevention through people, and navigation lights will meet to discuss various issues relating to recreational boating safety. All meetings will be open to the public.

DATES: The meeting of NBSAC will be held on Monday and Tuesday, November 11 and 12, 1996, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Meetings of the Boat Occupant Protection and Prevention Through People Subcommittees will be held on Saturday, November 9, 1996, from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. A meeting of the Navigation Light Subcommittee will be held on Sunday, November 10, 1996, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before October 23, 1996.

ADDRESSES: The meeting of NBSAC will be held at the Pittsburgh Hilton Hotel, Gateway Center, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The meetings of the Subcommittees will be held at the same address. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should be sent to Mr. Albert J. Marmo, Commandant (G-OPB-1), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Albert J. Marmo, Executive Director of NBSAC, telephone (202) 267-0950, fax (202) 267-4285.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of these meetings is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

Agendas of Meetings

National Boating Safety Advisory Council (NBSAC). The agenda includes the following:

- (1) Executive Director's report.
- (2) Chairman's session.
- (3) Boat Occupant Protection Subcommittee report.
- (4) Navigation Light Subcommittee report.
- (5) Prevention Through People Subcommittee report.
- (6) Coast Guard Auxiliary report.
- (7) National Association of State Boating Law Administrators report.
- (8) Development overview of new research tools to evaluate personal flotation devices.
- (9) Discussion of the development of the Life-Saving Index.
- (10) Discussion of waterways management issues developed by NBSAC and the Navigation Safety Advisory Council (NAVSAAC).
- (11) Discussion of the penalty for alteration of marine safety equipment under Section 310 of the "Coast Guard Authorization Act of 1996."

(12) Presentation on boating safety outreach.

(13) Report on the Personal Watercraft Visibility Study.

Boat Occupant Protection Subcommittee. The agenda includes the following:

(1) Review and discuss comments on propeller injury avoidance in response to an advance notice of proposed rulemaking.

(2) Discuss boat occupant protection research, completed and planned.

(3) Discuss risk avoidance alternatives.

Prevention Through People Subcommittee. The agenda includes the following:

(1) Review Prevention Through People program status.

(2) Develop a Prevention Through People action plan.

Navigation Light Subcommittee. The agenda includes the following:

(1) Review and discuss the interchange between NBSAC and NAVSAAC concerning the proper display and installation of navigation lights and the resulting joint Council resolution.

(2) Determine if there are any aspects of display and installation of navigation lights that need to be addressed through safety program intervention and recommend courses of corrective actions.

Procedural

All meetings are open to the public. At the Chairpersons' discretion, members of the public may make oral

presentations during the meetings. Persons wishing to make oral presentations at the meetings should notify the Executive Director no later than October 18, 1996. Written material for distribution at a meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than October 23, 1996. If a person submitting material would like a copy distributed to each member of the committee or subcommittee in advance of a meeting, that person should submit 25 copies to the Executive Director no later than October 16, 1996.

Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meetings, contact the Executive Director as soon as possible.

Dated: October 3, 1996.

M.F. McCormack,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Acting Director,
Operations Policy.

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Omega Radionavigation System Termination

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard intends to terminate its involvement in the worldwide Omega Radionavigation System on September 30, 1997. This will include closure of the two stations located in the U.S. (Lamoure, ND and Haiku, HI) and termination of the existing bilateral agreements with the six partner nations (Argentina, Australia, France, Japan, Liberia, and Norway).

The Omega navigation system primarily serves aviation and weather users. The Department of Transportation recently completed its review of Omega navigation requirements and notified the U.S. Coast Guard that most users will complete their conversion to Global Positioning System technology by September 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Stewart Shoulta, Radio Aids Division (G-OPN-3), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second St., SW, Washington, DC 20593-0001, phone (202) 267-6052.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Omega navigation system was approved for full implementation in

1968 and promised a true worldwide coverage capability. With the Global Positioning System (GPS) being declared fully operational, the use of Omega has dwindled to a point that continued operation is not economically justified. The 1994 edition of the Federal Radionavigation Plan (FRP), which delineates policies and plans for federally provided radionavigation services, stated "the U.S. expects to continue Omega operations until September 30, 1997, to accommodate the transition of civil aviation users to GPS. Continued operation after that date will depend upon validating requirements for Omega that cannot be met by GPS or another system." The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) completed its review of Omega navigation requirements for the U.S. aviation industry and notified the U.S. Coast Guard that most users will complete their conversion to GPS technology by September 1997.

Determination

Based on the completed studies, the FAA concurred with the proposed FRP termination date of September 30, 1997, for the Omega system.

N.T. Saunders,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Chief, Operations.

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Federal Aviation Administration

Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee—Open Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C. App. 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee (COMSTAC). The meeting will take place on Thursday, October 31, 1996, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Room 6244 of the Department of Transportation's Headquarters building at 400 Seventh Street, SW, in Washington, D.C. This will be the twenty-fourth meeting of the COMSTAC.

The agenda for the meeting will include reports from the respective COMSTAC Working Groups; a legislative update on Congressional activities involving commercial space transportation; an activities report from

FAA's Associate Administrator for Commercial Space Transportation (formerly the Office of Commercial Space Transportation [60 FR 62762, December 7, 1995]); and other related topics.

The meeting is open to the public; however, space may be limited.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brenda Parker, (AST-200), Office of the Associate Administrator for Commercial Space Transportation, 400 7th Street SW, Room 5415, Washington, DC 20590, telephone (202) 366-2932.

Dated: September 27, 1996.

Patti Grace Smith,

Deputy Associate Administrator for Commercial Space Transportation.

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Notice of Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) Approvals and Disapprovals

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Monthly notice of PFC approvals and disapprovals. In September 1996, there were 13 applications approved.

SUMMARY: The FAA publishes a monthly notice, as appropriate, of PFC approvals and disapprovals under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 40117 (Pub. L. 103-272) and Part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 158). This notice is published pursuant to paragraph d of § 158.29.

PFC APPLICATIONS APPROVED

Public Agency: County of Humboldt, Arcata, California.

Application Number: 96-03-C-00-ACV.

Application Type: Impose and use PFC revenue.

PFC Level: \$3.00.

Total Approved Net PFC Revenue in This Decision: \$225,258.

Estimated Charge Effective Date: November 1, 1996.

Estimated Charge Expiration Date: November 1, 1997.

Class of Air Carriers Not Required To Collect PFC's: None.

Brief Description of Projects Approved for Collection at ARCATA Airport (ACV) and Use at ACV: Taxiway system rehabilitation, Emergency generator (fire hall), Emergency generator (terminal), Safety area improvements, Terminal apron drainage improvements, Emergency storm drain repair, Security gate, Clear zone land purchase.

Brief Description of Project Approved for Collection at ACV and Use at

Rohnerville Airport: Runway protection zone property purchase.

Brief Description of Disapproved Project: Future property purchase reserve account.

Determination: Disapproved. Even though the proposed parcels to be acquired are within the runway protection zones, the acquisition depends on the current property owners volunteering to sell their properties. The County of Humboldt did not provide information as to the likelihood of these current property owners deciding to sell their parcels within 5 years of the decision date for this application. Therefore the FAA does not have reasonable assurance that the County of Humboldt will be able to comply with the regulatory timeframes as outlined in § 158.33. Furthermore, the County of Humboldt did not provide sufficient detailed information regarding the project financing to provide reasonable assurance to the FAA that excess PFC revenues would not be collected if this project were approved.

Decision Date: September 10, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joseph Rodriguez, San Francisco Airports District Office, (415) 876-2805.

Public Agency: Wichita Airport Authority, Wichita, Kansas.

Application Number: 96-02-C-00-ICT.

Application Type: Impose and use a PFC.

PFC Level: \$3.00.

Total Approved Net PFC Revenue in This Decision: \$1,518,409.

Estimated Charge Effective Date: November 1, 1997.

Estimated Charge Expiration Date: October 1, 1999.

Class of Air Carriers Not Required to Collect PFC's: None.

Brief Description of Projects Approved for Collection and Use: Airfield pavement reconstruction, Airfield safety improvements—phase II.

Decision Date: September 10, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lorna Sandridge, Central Region Airports Division, (816) 426-4730.

Public Agency: Delta County, Escanaba, Michigan.

Application Number: 96-04-C-00-ESC.

Application Type: Impose and use PFC revenue.

PFC Level: \$3.00.

Total Approved Net PFC Revenue in This Decision: \$15,870.

Estimated Charge Effective Date: December 1, 1997.

Estimated Charge Expiration Date: April 1, 1998.

Class of Air Carriers Not Required To Collect PFC's: Air taxi/charter operators filing FAA Form 1800-31.