

and TVA regulations at 18 CFR 1301.24.)

William S. Moore,

*Senior Manager, Administrative Services.*

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## OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

### Notice of Meeting of the Industry Sector Advisory Committee for Building Products and Related Materials (ISAC 9)

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Industry Sector Advisory Committee for Building Products and Related Materials (ISAC 9) will hold a meeting on November 21, 1996 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The meeting will be open to the public from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and closed to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**DATES:** The meeting is scheduled for November 21, 1996, unless otherwise notified.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Department of Commerce in Room H-6029, located at 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, unless otherwise notified.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick MacAuley, Department of Commerce, 14th St. and Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20230, (202) 482-0134 or Suzanna Kang, Office of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th St. NW., Washington, DC 20508, (202) 395-6120.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The ISAC 9 will hold a meeting on November 21, 1996 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The meeting will include a review and discussion of current issues which influence U.S. trade policy. Pursuant to Section 2155(f)(2) of Title 19 of the United States Code and Executive Order 11846 of March 27, 1975, the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative has determined that part of this meeting will be concerned with matters the disclosure of which would seriously compromise the development by the United States Government of trade policy, priorities, negotiating objectives or bargaining positions with respect to the operation of any trade agreement and other matters arising in connection with the development, implementation and administration of the trade policy of the United States. During the discussion of such matters, the meeting will be closed to the public from 10:00 a.m. to

1:00 p.m. The meeting will be open to the public and press from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. when other trade policy issues will be discussed. Attendance during this part of the meeting is for observation only. Individuals who are not members of the committee will not be invited to comment.

Phyllis Shearer Jones,

*Assistant United States Trade Representative,  
Intergovernmental Affairs and Public Liaison.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Coast Guard

[CGD 96-061]

### Navigation Safety Advisory Council

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Navigation Safety Advisory Council (NAVSAC) will meet to discuss various issues relating to commercial and recreational boat safety. The meeting is open to the public.

**DATES:** The meeting of NAVSAC will be held on Saturday, December 14, 1996, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday, December 15, 1996, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Monday, December 16, 1996, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before December 2, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Adams Mark Hotel, 2900 Briarpark Drive, Houston, TX 77042. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should be sent to Margie G. Hegy, Commandant (G-MOV-3), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Margie G. Hegy, Executive Director, telephone (202) 267-0415 or Diane Appleby, Executive Secretary, telephone (202) 267-0352, fax (202) 267-4826.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice of this meeting is given pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

### Agenda of Meeting

The agenda includes the following:

- (1) Report on Port State Control and Implementation of PTP in the Port of Houston.
- (2) Update on the Coast Guard's Vessel Traffic Services program.
- (3) Meeting of Prevention Through People Committee and follow up report to Council.

(4) Meeting of Barge Lighting Committee to continue review of adequacy of barge lighting and follow up report to Council with recommendation for resolution.

(5) Meeting of Vessel Traffic Services Committee to discuss marine community information needs and follow up report to Council.

(6) Meeting of Aids to Navigation Committee to discuss the role of electronic navigational aids and their impact on traditional aids and follow up report to Council.

### Procedural

All sessions are open to the public. At the Chairperson's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meeting. Persons wishing to make oral presentations at the meeting should notify the Executive Director no later than December 2, 1996. Written material for distribution at the meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than December 2, 1996. If a person submitting material would like a copy distributed to each member of the Council or Committee in advance of the meeting, that person should submit 25 copies to the Executive Director no later than November 25, 1996.

### Information on Services for the Handicapped

For information on facilities or services for the handicapped or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact Diane Appleby as soon as possible.

Dated: November 5, 1996.

G.N. Naccara,

*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Director of Field Activities, Marine Safety and Environmental Protection.*

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## Federal Highway Administration

### Environmental Impact Statement; Montgomery County, Tennessee

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement will be prepared for a proposed project in Montgomery County, Tennessee.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. James Scapellato, Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, 249 Cumberland Bend

Drive, Nashville, TN 37228, Telephone (615)736-5394.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FHWA, in cooperation with the Tennessee Department of Transportation, will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) on a proposal to construct a partial access-controlled four-lane divided facility from State Route 13 at the existing Cumberland Heights Drive intersection to the State Route 76/North Parkway interchange west of Liberty Church Road in Montgomery County, Tennessee. The proposed State Route 374 would be primarily on new location and will be approximately 10.8-12.2 kilometers (6.7-7.6 miles) in length, depending upon the choice of proposed alternative. Improvements to the corridor are considered necessary to provide for both present and projected traffic needs.

Options under consideration include: (1) Taking no action and (2) constructing a partial access-controlled four-lane divided facility on primarily new location. There are two major build alternatives being proposed.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments were sent to appropriate federal, state, and local agencies on September 23, 1996. A public hearing will be held at a future date. Public notice will be given of the time and place of this hearing. The Draft EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment. These activities are providing input regarding the scope of the EIS.

To insure that the full range of issues to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments and suggestions concerning the proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address above.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research, Planning and Construction. The provisions of Executive Order 12372 regarding state and local clearinghouse review of federal and federally assisted programs and projects apply to this program.)

Issued On: October 30, 1996.

James E. Scapellato,  
Division Administrator Tennessee Division,  
Nashville, Tennessee.

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## Maritime Administration

[Docket No. M-025]

### Request for Public Comment on the Causes of Diversion of Cargo from U.S. East Coast Ports

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, United States Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notification of open docket for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** On July 24, 1996, as part of a plan to help sustain long-term growth of the Port of New York/New Jersey, the Department of Transportation announced its intention to study the causes of cargo diversion from U.S. East Coast ports (i.e., the transshipment of U.S. waterborne imports and exports through nearby foreign ports) and to recommend any additional measures that are needed to enhance the international competitiveness of our East Coast ports.

Information is requested on the impact of the following domestic and foreign factors affecting the diversion of cargo from U.S. East Coast ports: shipper and carrier routing preferences; shifting international trade patterns; constraints on the U.S. transportation infrastructure; federal, state and local laws and regulations; port charges and other transportation-related fees; "Global Alliances" of ocean carriers and their impact on port calls and port rotations; landside and waterside interface problems and intermodal factors; aggressive port marketing initiatives; direct and indirect subsidies for port and intermodal infrastructure; and any other factors that impact on the flow of cargo through U.S. East Coast ports. Data on the volume, value and composition of diverted cargo, as well as any other information related to the subject, are also being sought.

The Department is also soliciting comments on measures that are needed to enhance the international competitiveness of our East Coast ports through the 21st Century.

**DATES:** Comments should be received by December 27, 1996. Comments that are received after that date will be considered to the extent possible.

**ADDRESSES:** To facilitate review, four copies of comments should be sent to: Secretary, Maritime Administration, Room 7210 United States Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telefax number (202) 366-9206.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bruce J. Carlton, Associate

Administrator for Policy, International Trade and Marketing, (202) 366-5772.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Dated: November 6, 1996.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary.

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## National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

### Denial of Petition for a Defect Investigation

This notice sets forth the reason for the denial of a petition submitted to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) under 49 U.S.C. 30162(a)(2) (formerly section 124 of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966, as amended).

By letter dated June 26, 1996, Randall H. Mierzejewski of Manchester, New Hampshire, petitioned the Administrator of NHTSA for an investigation of seat belts in 1988 Subaru 4x4 DL Station Wagons.

NHTSA is the government agency authorized, under Chapter 301 of Title 49 of the United States Code, to order manufacturers to recall and repair vehicles or items of motor vehicle equipment when investigations indicate that they contain serious safety-related defects in design, construction or performance. Based upon the results of an investigation, the agency may seek a recall when such defects appear in a group of vehicles and are related to motor vehicle safety. The agency cannot act on isolated problems or disputes between individual owners and manufacturers.

NHTSA is also authorized under Chapter 301 to order manufacturers to recall and repair vehicles or items of motor vehicle equipment that do not comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards at the time of their manufacture. However, inasmuch as the petitioner is alleging a problem relating to a rollover accident that occurred in November 1995 on a 1988 model year vehicle, i.e., several years after the vehicle's manufacture and first purchase, NHTSA did not treat the petitioner's request as a petition for an investigation of a possible noncompliance with a Federal motor vehicle safety standard.

Rather, the agency treated the request as a petition to commence an investigation that could result in an order to recall 1988 Subaru DL Station Wagons to remedy an alleged safety-related defect. While the petitioner lists