

confidence in our ability to carry out our mission by protecting the privacy of sensitive information we maintain about individual workers and beneficiaries. That confidence was questioned following the start of our test of the interactive PEBES service. In response to those concerns, Social Security suspended the interactive PEBES test on April 9, 1997. When the online service was suspended, the Acting Commissioner stated that he wanted to conduct a series of forums with the public to discuss issues of privacy and security in providing electronic services directly to the public. Our desire is to provide customers with ready access to their personal information without compromising privacy and without excessive barriers and costs.

In soliciting public views in the forums (and in comments outside the forums), SSA welcomes expert and general public input on the following questions:

- In providing electronic services, what information should SSA require from a customer for authentication of identity?
- Beyond information obtained directly from the customer, what further safeguards should SSA employ to support customer authentication and privacy in electronic transactions? Which safeguards should be employed in the near term, and which in the longer term?
- Should we reinstate the PEBES online service with minor additions to the safeguards we had in place, should we reinstate it only with fundamental changes to our safeguards, or should we not reinstate it at all?
- If you believe electronic PEBES should be reinstated, what additional safeguards should we include?
- Because the question of maintaining privacy in electronic transactions has far-reaching implications in both the public and private sectors, what other matters should SSA consider in addressing this major public policy issue?

Ground Rules and Agenda

The following general procedure will be followed for each forum:

- Experts and members of the general public are invited to attend the forums, state their views on these issues to an SSA executive panel, and submit written statements.

• Statements may be submitted to SSA before, at, or after the forums, with all statements submitted no later than June 20, 1997. Each statement should include a one-page summary of the submitter's views, focusing primarily on answers to the questions posed above.

- Each panel member will have five to eight minutes, and each member of the public will have four minutes, to state his/her views, with added time given to respond to questions seeking clarification from the SSA executive panel.

Agenda (subject to change):

11:30 am

Registration of experts and members of the public

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Welcome and introduction by SSA panel; explanation of ground rules

12:30 pm

Panel of privacy experts and consumer advocates presents its views

1:30 pm

Panel of computer technology experts presents its views

2:45 pm

Panel of business experts (commerce, banking, financial planning) presents its views

3:45 pm

Members of public present their views

5:30 pm

Closing remarks by SSA executive panel

National Electronic Town Meeting

In addition to these public forums, SSA will conduct a National Electronic Town Meeting through its Internet web site. Dates and other details will be available later on Social Security Online, www.ssa.gov.

How to Notify SSA

Mail:

SSA Forums, Social Security Administration, Room 4-C-5 Annex, Baltimore MD 21235

Fax: 410-965-0695

Internet mail: publicforum@ssa.gov

We welcome your written statement even if you are unable to attend one of the forums or participate in the electronic town meeting.

Questions about forum procedures may be telephoned to: Linda Thibodeaux, Social Security Administration, 410-966-8222.

Dated: April 25, 1997.

Joan E. Wainwright,

Deputy Commissioner for Communications.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

[CGD 97-022]

Chemical Transportation Advisory Committee; Subcommittee on the Review/Update of Vapor Control System Regulations Meetings

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The Vapor Control System (VCS) Regulations Review/Update Subcommittee of the Chemical Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) will meet to continue work on developing a recommended revision of the marine vapor control regulations found in Title 33, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 154 and Title 46, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 39. The meetings are open to the public.

DATES: The meetings of the VCS Subcommittee will be held on May 19, 1997, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and May 20, 1997, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before May 12, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The meetings of the VCS Subcommittee will be held in the training academy conference room, ABS Plaza, 16855 Northchase Drive, Houston, TX 77060. For directions to the meetings, please contact Lieutenant J.J. Plunkett, Commandant (G-MSO-3), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Paul J. Book, American Commercial Barge Line Company; telephone (812) 288-0220, fax (812) 288-0478 or Lieutenant J.J. Plunkett, Commandant (G-MSO-3), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001; telephone (202) 267-0087, fax (202) 267-4570.

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

Agenda of Meetings

The agenda includes the following:

(1) Presentation of each subcommittee member's work thus far and plans for the future.

(2) Review and discussion of the work completed by each member.

(3) Discussion of joint facility/vessel opportunities for improvements to the VCS program.

After meeting together, the subcommittee members will form into two work groups to discuss in detail

their assigned tasks. The two groups are facility VCS work group and vessel VCS work group.

Procedural

These meetings are open to the public. At the Subcommittee Chairperson's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meetings. Persons wishing to make oral presentations at the meetings should notify Mr. Book no later than May 12, 1997. Written material for distribution at the meetings should reach the Coast Guard no later than May 12, 1997. If a person submitting material would like a copy distributed to each member of the subcommittee in advance of the meetings, that person should submit 25 copies to Mr. Book no later than May 12, 1997.

Information on Services for the Disabled

For information on facilities or services for the disabled or to request special assistance at the meetings, contact Lieutenant Plunkett as soon as possible.

Dated: April 18, 1997.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety and Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Availability and Public Hearing Capacity and Delay Study; Syracuse-Hancock International Airport, Syracuse, New York

SUMMARY: On November 26, 1996, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) issued a Record of Decision (ROD) setting out the FAA's consideration of environmental and other factors for Airport Layout Plan (ALP) approval and Federal financial participation in eligible projects associated with land acquisition; conditional approval for construction of a new east-west runway, related taxiways, and precision instrument approach capabilities for both ends of the new runway, pending capacity analysis using simulation modeling, as further described under the ROD's "Mitigation". The decision made by the ROD constitutes Federal environmental approval for the project, the requirements for which were imposed by applicable environmental statutes and regulations, and have been satisfied by an Environmental Impact

Statement (EIS), signed on April 12, 1996.

Section X of the ROD, "Mitigation", stated that runway construction shall not commence until several actions are accomplished. The first action, which is the subject of this Notice, stated: "A runway construction phasing plan shall be developed by the City of Syracuse, to be based on a comprehensive capacity and delay study using the FAA approved simulation model. Determining factors of runway need and timing shall include hours of delay and cost of delay relative to annual and daily aircraft operational levels. This study should consider all available technology and air traffic procedures in its evaluation of existing runway capacities. The study shall be reviewed and approved by the FAA and will be made available to all interested parties upon request." The Airport Capacity Study has been made available by the City of Syracuse for public review and comment on April 18, 1997. Notice by the City of Syracuse was made in both the Herald Journal and Post Standard Newspapers to run for ten (10) consecutive days.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This Notice is effective on the publication date of this Notice. The public comment period on the Airport Capacity Study will end on June 3, 1997, two weeks subsequent to the public hearing.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Interested persons are invited to comment on the Airport Capacity Study by submitting written comments to: Mr. Kenneth Kroll, Federal Aviation Administration Federal Building, Airports Division, AEA-610, JFK International Airport, Jamaica, New York 11430, (718) 553-3357.

All substantive comments will be considered by the FAA in its decision regarding the need and timing of the proposed new runway. The public is invited to review the Syracuse Airport Capacity Study, which will be available at the following locations during normal business hours:

Federal Aviation Administration,
Fitzgerald Federal Building 111, JFK
International Airport, Jamaica, New
York 11430

Department of Aviation, Office of the
Commissioner Aviation, Syracuse
Hancock International Airport
City of Syracuse, City Clerk, City Hall,
201 East Washington Street
Onondaga County Public Library,
Central Library, 447 South Salina
Street
Onondaga County, Office of the County
Clerk, Onondaga County Civic Center,
401 Montgomery Street

Town of Cicero, Office of the Town
Clerk, 8236 South Main Street, Cicero
Town of Clay, Office of the Town Clerk,
4483 Route 31, Clay
Town of Dewitt, Office of the Town
Clerk, 5400 Butternut Drive, Dewitt
Town of Salina, Office of the Town
Clerk, 201 School Road, Liverpool
Village of North Syracuse, Office of the
Village Clerk, 600 South Bay Road,
North Syracuse
C&S Engineers, 1099 Airport Blvd.,
North Syracuse

A formal public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, May 20, 1997 to obtain verbal and written comments on the subject study. The public hearing will be held at 7 pm at Gate 15 located in the South Concourse at Syracuse International Airport, Syracuse, New York.

Issued in Jamaica, New York on April 23, 1997.

Robert B. Mendez,

Manager, Airports Divisions, Federal Aviation Administration, Eastern Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Executive Committee of the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee; Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federal Aviation Administration Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee.

DATES: The meeting will be held on May 14, 1997, at 10 a.m. Arrange for oral presentations by May 4, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the General Aviation Manufacturers Association, 1400 K Street, NW., Suite 801, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Miss Jean Casciano, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, telephone (202) 267-9683; fax (202) 267-5075; e-mail Jean.Casciano@faa.dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. App. II), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Executive Committee to be held on May 14, 1997, at the General Aviation Manufacturers