

Program Manager, Federal Aviation Administration, Airports Division, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, Massachusetts 01803.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to Mr. Jeff Schultes, Airport Manager, Portland International Jetport at the following address: 1001 Westbrook Street, Portland, Maine 04102.

Air carriers and foreign air carriers may submit copies of written comments previously provided to the City of Portland under section 158.23 of part 158.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Priscilla Scott, PFC Program Manager, Federal Aviation Administration, Airports Division, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, Massachusetts 01803, (718) 238-7614. The application may be reviewed in person at 16 New England Executive Park, Burlington, Massachusetts.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application to impose and use the revenue from PFC at Portland International Jetport under the provisions of the 49 U.S.C. 40117 and part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 158).

On September 3, 2002, the FAA determined that the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC submitted by the City of Portland was substantially complete within the requirements of section 158.25 of part 158. The FAA will approve or disapprove the application, in whole or in part, no later than November 29, 2002.

The following is a brief overview of the application.

*Proposed charge effective date:* August 1, 2003.

*Proposed charge expiration date:* June 1, 2010.

*Level of the proposed PFC:* \$3.00.

*Total estimated PFC revenue:* \$14,214,483.

*Brief description of proposed project(s):*

*Impose only projects:*

*Baggage Claim Expansion and*

*Improvements Impose and use projects:*

Terminal Canopy Completion

Passenger Boarding Bridge Acquisition

Passenger Boarding Bridge—Regional Jet Modifications

Runway 11/29 Upgrade

Taxiway Improvements

Terminal Roadway System Expansion

Snow Removal Equipment Acquisition

PFC Program Administration Costs

Class or classes of air carriers which the public agency has requested not be

required to collect PFCs: air taxi/commercial operators (ATCO).

Any person may inspect the application in person at the FAA office listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the application, notice and other documents germane to the application in person at the Portland International Jetport.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts on September 25, 2002.

**Bradley A. Davis,**

*Acting Manager, Airports Division, New England Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Environmental Impact Statement; Olmsted County, MN

**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 (EIS) will be prepared for the proposed reconstruction of Trunk Highway (TH) 14 and bridge replacement over the Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern (DM&E) Railroad line, from the end of the four-lane roadway on the east side of Rochester through Eyota, approximately 8 miles, in Olmsted County, Minnesota.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cheryl Martin, Federal Highway Administration, Galtier Plaza, 380 Jackson Street, Suite 500, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101, Telephone (651) 291-6120; or Craig Lenz, Project Manager, Minnesota Department of Transportation—District 6, 2900 48th Street NW., Rochester, Minnesota 55901, Telephone (507) 285-7353; (651) 296-9930 TTY.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FHWA, in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT), will prepare an EIS on a proposal to reconstruct TH 14, including replacement of the bridge over the DM&E Railroad line, from the end of the four-lane roadway on the east side of the City of Rochester through the City of Eyota, approximately 8 miles, in Olmsted County, Minnesota. The project proposes to replace a seventy-three year old railroad bridge and improve the geometry of the bridge approaches and the roadway segment in order to address

identified safety, operational, structural, and geometric deficiencies.

TH 14 is a major east-west highway in southern Minnesota and plays a major role in the movement of people and goods. This roadway serves a variety of travel demands including mobility to serve commuter, commercial, and recreational traffic and access to homes, farms, and commercial retail businesses. The purpose of the project is to address present and future safety, operations, structural and geometric deficiencies along this segment of TH 14. Identified problems include high crash rates; lack of passing zones; several accesses to the roadway; geometric deficiencies in the roadway design including sharp curves, narrow shoulders and minimal vertical and horizontal clearance under the bridge; and a decrease to unacceptable levels of service in the future if no improvements are made.

The EIS will evaluate the social, economic, transportation and environmental impacts of alternatives, including: No-Build and Build Alternatives. Each of the three proposed Build Alternatives will include both a four-lane suburban and a four-lane rural roadway design and all of the Build Alternatives assume a roadway overpass of the DM&E Railroad. The Build alternatives include: *Alternative 1: Existing Alignment*—Central Bridge Location (over the railroad), *Alternative 2: North Alignment*—West Bridge Location (over the railroad), and *Alternative 3: South Alignment*—East Bridge Location (over the railroad). The “Trunk Highway 14 Scoping Document/ Draft Scoping Decision Document” will be published in October 2002. A press release will be published to inform the public of the document’s availability. Copies of the scoping document will be distributed to agencies, interested persons and libraries for review to aid in identifying issues and analyses to be contained in the EIS. A thirty-day comment period for review of the document will be provided to afford an opportunity for all interested persons, agencies and groups to comment on the proposed action. Interagency and public scoping meetings will also be held during the comment period. The Interagency and public scoping and information meetings have been scheduled for Wednesday, December 4, 2002 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at the Eyota City Hall, 38 West South Front Street, and 4:30 to 7 p.m. to the Dover-Eyota High School, 615 South Avenue, respectively. Public notice will be given for these meetings.

A Draft EIS will be prepared based on the outcome of the scoping process. The Draft EIS will be available for agency

and public review and comment. In addition, a public hearing will be held following completion of the Draft EIS. Public Notice will be given for the time and place of the public hearing on the Draft EIS.

Coordination has been initiated and will continue with appropriate Federal, State and local agencies and private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have an interest in the proposed action. To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

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*Project Development Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, St. Paul, Minnesota.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Intelligent Transportation Society of America; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Intelligent Transportation Society of America (ITS AMERICA) will hold a meeting of its Coordinating Council on Monday, October 14, 2002, in the McCormick Room at the Chicago Hilton. The meeting runs from 10 a.m.–2 p.m. A luncheon starts at 1 p.m.

The General Session includes the following items: (1) Welcome; (2) Introductions and Antitrust Statement; (3) Approval of Minutes (From the Last Meeting); (4) Approval of Program Plan Homeland Security Supplement and Advice Letter; (5) Approval of IVI Advice Letter; (6) Review Leadership Steering Committee Appointments; (7) Discussion of Areas of Responsibility (coverage)—Forums and Programs; (8) Review Two-Day Summit Agenda and Discussion of Logistics; (9) Discussion of Outcome Strategies: Special Interest Groups, Management of Projects, Member Communication, and Other

Items; (10) Other Business; (11) Luncheon; (12) Adjourn.

ITS AMERICA provides a forum for national discussion and recommendations on ITS activities including programs, research needs, strategic planning, standards, international liaison, and priorities.

The charter for the utilization of ITS AMERICA establishes this organization as an advisory committee under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) 5 U.S.C. app. 2, when it provides advice or recommendations to DOT officials on ITS policies and programs. (56 FR 9400, March 6, 1991).

**DATES:** The Coordinating Council of ITS AMERICA will meet on Monday, October 14, 2002 from 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The Hilton Chicago, 720 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60605. Phone: (312) 922-4400 and Fax (312) 922-5240.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Materials associated with this meeting may be examined at the offices of ITS AMERICA, 400 Virginia Avenue SW., Suite 800, Washington, DC 20024. Persons needing further information or who request to speak at this meeting should contact Debbie M. Busch at ITS AMERICA by telephone at (202) 484-2904 or by FAX at (202) 484-3483. The DOT contact is Kristy Frizzell, FHWA, HOIT, Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-9536. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except for legal holidays.

(23 U.S.C. 315; 49 CFR 1.48)

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**Jeffrey Paniati,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

#### Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) received a request for a waiver of compliance with certain requirements of its safety standards. The individual petition is described below, including the party seeking relief, the regulatory provisions involved, the nature of the relief being requested, and the petitioner's arguments in favor of relief.

### Port Authority Trans-Hudson Corporation

[Docket Number FRA-2002-12936]

The Port Authority Trans-Hudson Corporation (PATH) seeks a temporary waiver of compliance until December 31, 2003, for one locomotive from the requirements of the *Railroad Safety Appliance Safety Standards*, 49 CFR 231.30(a)(2), which requires all locomotives used in switching service built prior to April 1, 1977, be equipped with four switching steps. The locomotive for which the waiver is requested is a 42-ton General Electric diesel switcher style locomotive without switching steps. PATH is leasing the locomotive for use by a contractor. They also state that the locomotive was refurbished in April 2002, and that it is physically impossible to modify the locomotive to incorporate switching steps.

If the request is granted, PATH will utilize the locomotive during the reconstruction of their system damaged during the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. The locomotive would be utilized to transport materials and equipment to and from a construction site at a speed not to exceed 15 mph. PATH needs the waiver because the locomotive would travel for approximately one mile over PATH's main line, from PATH's "C" yard in Jersey City, New Jersey to Exchange Place Station. The construction site extends west of Exchange Place and is off limits to any passenger service.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (e.g., Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2002-12936) and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PL-401 (Plaza Level), 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. Communications received within 30 days of the date of this notice will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are