

encourage nominations to be submitted by March 1, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit nominations to: Oscar Carrillo, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Cooperative Environmental Management, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (1601-E), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Oscar Carrillo, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (1601-E), Washington, DC 20004; telephone (202) 233-0072; fax (202) 233-0070; e-mail [carrillo.oscar@epa.gov](mailto:carrillo.oscar@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National and Governmental Advisory Committees to the U.S. Government Representative to the North American Commission for Environmental Cooperation advise the Administrator of the EPA in the Administrator's capacity as the U.S. Representative to the Council of the North American Commission on Environmental Cooperation. The Committees are authorized under Articles 17 and 18 of the North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation (NAAEC), the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) Implementation Act, Public Law 103-182 and as directed by Executive Order 12915, entitled "Federal Implementation of the North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation." The Committees are responsible for providing advice to the United States Representative on a wide range of strategic, scientific, technological, regulatory and economic issues related to implementation and further elaboration of the (NAAEC). The National Advisory Committee consists of 12 representatives of environmental groups and non-profit entities, business and industry, and educational institutions. The Governmental Advisory Committee consists of 12 representatives from state, local, and tribal governments. Members are appointed by the EPA Administrator for a two-year term with the possibility of reappointment. The Committees usually meet 3 times annually and the average workload for Committee members is approximately 10 to 15 hours per month. Members serve on the Committees in a voluntary capacity. However, EPA provides reimbursement for travel expenses associated with official government business.

The following criteria will be used to evaluate nominees:

- Extensive professional knowledge of the subjects the Committees examine,

including trade and the environment, the NAFTA, the NAAEC and the CEC.

- Represent a sector or group that is involved in the issues the Committees evaluate.
- Senior-level experience that will fill a need on the Committees for their particular expertise.
- A demonstrated ability to work in consensus building process with a wide range of representatives from diverse constituencies.
- Nominees will also be considered with regard to the mandates of the Federal Advisory Committee Act that require the Committees to maintain diversity across a broad range of constituencies, sectors, and groups.

Nominations for membership must include a cover letter and a resume describing the professional and education qualifications of the nominee and the nominee's current business address and daytime telephone number.

Dated: January 10, 2005.

**Oscar Carrillo,**  
*Designated Federal Officer.*

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## EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES

### Notice of Open Special Meeting of the Sub-Saharan Africa Advisory Committee (SAAC) of the Export-Import Bank of the United States (Export-Import Bank)

**SUMMARY:** The Sub-Saharan Africa Advisory Committee was established by Public Law 105-121, November 26, 1997, to advise the Board of Directors on the development and implementation of policies and programs designed to support the expansion of the Bank's financial commitments in Sub-Saharan Africa under the loan, guarantee and insurance programs of the Bank. Further, the committee shall make recommendations on how the Bank can facilitate greater support by U.S. commercial banks for trade with Sub-Saharan Africa.

**Time and Place:** February 16, 2005, at 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Export-Import Bank in Room 1143, 811 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20571.

**Agenda:** Given the entire new membership on the advisory committee, the meeting will begin with an ethics briefing applicable to non-government appointees who serve on such a committee followed by a review of the 2004 Ex-Im Bank report to the U.S. Congress on the Bank's activities in sub-

Saharan Africa specifically including a report on the September 2004 "Increasing Capital Flows to Africa" conference in Johannesburg co-sponsored with the Corporate Council on Africa; a review of the current year's business development efforts in the region; a status report on the Millennium Challenge Corporation as it relates to the selected African countries; and planning for the Africa panel session at the April 14-15 annual Ex-Im Bank meeting.

**Public Participation:** The meeting will be open to public participation, and the last 10 minutes will be set aside for oral questions or comments. Members of the public may also file written statement(s) before or after the meeting. If any person wishes auxiliary aids (such as a sign language interpreter) or other special accommodations, please contact, prior to February 16, 2005, Barbara Ransom, Room 1241, 811 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20571, voice: (202) 565-3525 or TDD (202) 565-3377.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** for further information, contact Barbara Ransom, Room 1241, 811 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20571, (202) 565-3525.

**Peter Saba,**  
*General Counsel.*

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## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

[Notice 2005-1]

### Filing Dates for the California Special Election in the 5th Congressional District

**AGENCY:** Federal Election Commission.  
**ACTION:** Notice of filing dates for special election.

**SUMMARY:** California has scheduled a special general election on March 8, 2005, to fill the U.S. House of Representatives seat in the Fifth Congressional District held by the late Representative Robert Matsui. Under California law, a majority winner in a special election is declared elected. Should no candidate achieve a majority vote, a special runoff election will be held on May 3, 2005, among the top vote-getters of each qualified political party, including qualified independent candidates.

Committees participating in the California special elections are required to file pre- and post-election reports. Filing dates for these reports are affected by whether one or two elections are held.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Kevin R. Salley, Information Division, 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20463; telephone: (202) 694-1100; toll free (800) 424-9530.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Principal Campaign Committees**

All principal campaign committees of candidates who participate in the California Special General and Special Runoff Elections shall file a 12-day Pre-General Report on February 24, 2005; a Pre-Runoff Report on April 21, 2005; and a Post-Runoff Report on June 2, 2005. (See chart below for the closing date for each report).

All principal campaign committees of candidates in the Special General Election *only* shall file a 12-day Pre-General Report on February 24, 2005; and a Post-General Report on April 7, 2005. (See chart below for the closing date for each report).

**Unauthorized Committees (PACs and Party Committees)**

Political committees filing on a semiannual basis in 2005 are subject to special election reporting if they make previously undisclosed contributions or expenditures in connection with the California Special General or Special Runoff Elections by the close of books for the applicable report(s). (See chart below for the closing date for each report).

Committees filing monthly that support candidates in the California Special General or Special Runoff Election should continue to file according to the monthly reporting schedule.

**Disclosure of Electioneering Communications (Individuals and Other Unregistered Organizations)**

As required by the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act of 2002, the Federal Election Commission promulgated new electioneering

communications rules governing television and radio communications that refer to a clearly identified federal candidate and are distributed within 60 days prior to a special general election (including a special general runoff). 11 CFR 100.29. The statute and regulations require, among other things, that individuals and other groups not registered with the FEC who make electioneering communications costing more than \$10,000 in the aggregate in a calendar year disclose that activity to the Commission within 24 hours of the distribution of the communication. See 11 CFR 104.20.

The 60-day electioneering communications period in connection with the California Special General runs from January 7, 2005 through March 8, 2005. The 60-day electioneering communications period in connection with the California Special Runoff runs from March 4, 2005 through May 3, 2005.

**CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES FOR CALIFORNIA SPECIAL ELECTION**

Report	Close of books <sup>1</sup>	Reg./cert. & overnight mailing date	Filing date
<b>If only the Special General is held (03/08/05), committees involved must file:</b>			
Pre-General .....	02/16/05	02/21/05	02/24/05
Post-General .....	03/31/05	04/07/05	04/07/05
April Quarterly .....		—waived—	
<b>If two elections are held, committees involved only in the Special General (03/08/05) must file:</b>			
Pre-General .....	02/16/05	02/21/05	02/24/05
April Quarterly .....	03/31/05	04/15/05	04/15/05
<b>Committees involved in the Special General (03/08/05) and Special Runoff (05/03/05) must file:</b>			
Pre-General .....	02/16/05	02/21/05	02/24/05
April Quarterly .....		—waived—	
Pre-Runoff .....	04/13/05	04/18/05	04/21/05
Post-Runoff .....	05/23/05	06/02/05	06/02/05
July Quarterly .....	06/30/05	07/15/05	07/15/05
<b>Committees involved only in the Special Runoff (05/03/05) must file:</b>			
Pre-Runoff .....	04/13/05	04/18/05	04/21/05
Post-Runoff .....	05/23/05	06/02/05	06/02/05
July Quarterly .....	06/30/05	07/15/05	07/15/05

<sup>1</sup> The period begins with the close of books of the last report filed by the committee. If the committee has filed no previous reports, the period begins with the date of the committee's first activity.

Dated: January 21, 2005.

**Scott E. Thomas,**

Chairman, Federal Election Commission.  
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**FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM**

**Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies**

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 *et seq.*) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), and all other applicable statutes

and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate