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**Proposed Agenda:** Thursday, February 18, 2010, 9:30 a.m.\*

1. Announcements and Recent News.
  2. Approval of Transcript.—Meeting of October 15, 2009.
  3. Report from the North American Numbering Plan Billing and Collection (NANP B&C) Agent.
  4. Report of the Billing & Collection Working Group (B&C WG).
  5. Report of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA).
  6. Report of the National Thousands Block Pooling Administrator (PA).
  7. Report of the Local Number Portability Administration (LNPA) Working Group.
  8. Report of North American Portability Management LLC (NAPM LLC).
  9. Telcordia Dispute Resolution Team: Telcordia Appeal.
  10. Report of the Numbering Oversight Working Group.
  11. Status of the Industry Numbering Committee (INC) activities.
  12. Report of the Future of Numbering Working Group (FoN WG).
  13. Summary of Action Items.
  14. Public Comments and Participation (5 minutes per speaker).
  15. Other Business.
- Adjourn no later than 5 p.m.  
\*The Agenda may be modified at the discretion of the NANC Chairman with the approval of the DFO.

**Marilyn Jones,**

*Attorney, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission.*

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**FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION**

**Sunshine Act Notices**

**AGENCY:** Federal Election Commission.

**DATE & TIME:** Friday, January 29, 2010, at 10 a.m.

**PLACE:** 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC (Ninth Floor).

**STATUS:** This Meeting Will Be Open to the Public.

**ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:**

**Correction and Approval of Minutes**

Draft Advisory Opinion 2009-30: TechNet by its counsel, Marc E. Elias and Rebecca H. Gordon.

Draft Advisory Opinion 2009-31: MAXIMUS, Inc. by its counsel, Kirk L. Jowers and Matthew T. Sanderson.

Draft Advisory Opinion 2009-32: Dr. Richard L. Jorgensen.

**Management and Administrative Matters**

Individuals who plan to attend and require special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Darlene Harris, Deputy Commission Secretary, at (202) 694-1040, at least 72 hours prior to the hearing date.

**PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:** Judith Ingram, Press Officer, Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

**Darlene Harris,**

*Deputy Secretary of the 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 inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The applications also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested

persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 4 of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at [www.ffiec.gov/nic/](http://www.ffiec.gov/nic/).

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than February 22, 2010.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas** (E. Ann Worthy, Vice President) 2200 North Pearl Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-2272:

1. *Austin Bancshares, Inc.*, Austin, Texas, to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of La Grange Bancshares, Inc., and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Colorado Valley Bank, SSB, both of La Grange, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 25, 2010.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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**FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION**

**Notice of Inquiry Regarding Passenger Vessel Financial Responsibility**

December 3, 2009.

**AGENCY:** Federal Maritime Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of Inquiry.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Maritime Commission is issuing this Inquiry to solicit information and comments concerning the benefits and burdens of the current Commission requirements by which passenger vessel operators establish proof of financial responsibility in the event of nonperformance of a contracted cruise from a U.S. port. Comments received from the public and interested segments of the passenger cruise industry will assist in determining whether or not the Commission should amend its regulations at 46 CFR part 540, subpart A.

**DATES:** Comments are due on or before February 10, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Address all comments concerning this Inquiry to:

Karen V. Gregory, Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., Washington, DC 20573-0001, E-mail: [secretary@fmc.gov](mailto:secretary@fmc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Sandra L. Kusumoto, Director, Bureau of Certification & Licensing, Telephone: (202) 523-5787, E-mail: [skusumoto@fmc.gov](mailto:skusumoto@fmc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

The Commission administers Chapter 441 of Title 46 of the U.S. Code, entitled Evidence of Financial Responsibility for Passenger Transportation, 46 U.S.C. 44101-44106. As relevant, this Chapter requires operators of vessels having berth or stateroom accommodations for 50 or more passengers and embarking passengers at U.S. ports to evidence proof of financial responsibility to reimburse passengers for the water portion of their fare in the event of nonperformance (46 U.S.C. 44102), and provide coverage in the event of death or injury to passengers or other persons on voyages to or from United States ports (46 U.S.C. 44103).

In order to indemnify passengers for nonperformance of contracted cruises, passenger vessel operators (PVOs) must establish proof of financial responsibility (Nonperformance Coverage) in an amount determined by the Commission. Current Commission regulations require that Nonperformance Coverage be set at no less than 110 percent of the highest unearned passenger revenue<sup>1</sup> of the applicant within two fiscal years prior to filing an application with the Commission. 46 CFR 540.5-6. The amount of Nonperformance Coverage required is presently capped at \$15 million dollars. 46 CFR 540.9(j).

The \$15 million ceiling for Nonperformance Coverage has been in existence since 1991, when it was raised from \$10 million. The Commission is issuing this Notice of Inquiry (NOI) to gather information that will assist in assessing comprehensively the benefits or burdens that the Nonperformance Coverage requirement has on all sectors of the passenger vessel industry. Information derived through this Inquiry may determine whether changes to our program may be called for at this time. PVOs, ports, industry associations, credit and financial companies, sureties, guarantors, insurers, travel agents, cruise passengers and other interested

parties are encouraged to participate by providing responses to the questions herein and information pertaining to the impact of Nonperformance Coverage.

To promote maximum participation, the NOI questions will be made available on the Commission's Web site, <http://www.fmc.gov>. The NOI questions also may be obtained by contacting the Commission's Secretary, Karen V. Gregory, by telephone at (202) 523-5725, or by e-mail at [secretary@fmc.gov](mailto:secretary@fmc.gov). In addition, non-confidential comments may be submitted as an attachment to an e-mail submission. These attachments must be submitted in Microsoft Word (2007 or prior version), Rich Text format (.rtf), or plain text (.txt).

Some commenters may wish to include some commercially sensitive information as necessary or relevant, whether by way of explaining their experience or detailing in practical terms the impact of Nonperformance Coverage. Any such information should be identified as commercially sensitive by the filer and the document or relevant portions thereof must be marked as confidential. Confidential treatment must be specifically requested for those marked portions, and one additional copy of the comments with the confidential portions redacted must be provided along with the original and one copy of the complete comments. Confidential comments should not be submitted by e-mail. The Commission will provide confidential treatment to the extent allowable by law for submissions, or parts of submissions, for which the parties request confidentiality.

While the Commission intends that this review of Nonperformance Coverage be as thorough as possible, *there is no requirement that participants answer all NOI questions*. Commenters are free to answer only those questions for which they have direct experience or specific views.

The Commission accordingly invites written comments from interested parties responding to the following inquiries:

**Notice of Inquiry Questions**

*A. PVOs' Cost of Complying With Nonperformance Regulations*

1. Do you expect your company's unearned passenger revenue to increase, decrease or remain the same over the next twelve to twenty-four months? If you expect it to change, by what percent?

2. Set forth a detailed description of your actual costs for 2008, and actual or projected costs for 2009, directly related

to satisfying the FMC's PVO regulations for Nonperformance Coverage.

3. With respect to passenger bookings and payments:

(i) What is your company's policy with regard to passenger reimbursement in the event of nonperformance of a cruise?

(ii) What is your company's booking policy regarding the timing and amount of booking deposit and for payment of any fare balance?

*B. Adequacy of Nonperformance Coverage*

The Commission is interested in assessing whether Nonperformance Coverage remains adequate for the purpose of protecting cruise passengers. The following questions are addressed to all interested parties:

4. What is your position with regard to the adequacy of the current ceiling of \$15 million? Please provide a detailed explanation with your response.

5. Should the Commission consider adjusting the \$15 million cap periodically based on an inflation factor (i.e., Consumer Price Index)?

6. Should the Commission consider alternatives to the current \$15 million cap? Please provide a detailed explanation with your response.

7. If the \$15 million cap is modified, what would be the likely benefits or burdens upon PVOs, related companies and the shipping public?

8. What other methodologies could the Commission use to establish adequate coverage amounts as required by current regulations?

9. Should the Commission consider legislative alternatives to the current Nonperformance Coverage requirement? If so, set forth a detailed response.

*C. Practices of Sureties, Credit Card Companies and Others*

The Commission is interested in assessing whether and to what extent the practices of sureties, credit card issuers or other companies may affect the availability of Nonperformance Coverage. The following questions are addressed primarily to financial entities, but may be answered by PVOs or other interested parties:

10. Have credit card companies added specific requirements for servicing PVOs?

11. What are the factors credit card issuers use to assess a cruise line's creditworthiness or financial fitness? How does a credit card issuer determine whether to implement additional security (i.e., holdbacks, letters of credit, collateral)?

12. What are the factors that sureties or guarantors use to assess a cruise

<sup>1</sup> Unearned passenger revenue is defined as "that passenger revenue received for water transportation and all other accommodations, services, and facilities relating thereto not yet performed," 46 CFR 540.2(i).

line's creditworthiness or financial fitness? Please describe the factors that affect premiums for passenger vessel operators. What indicators will cause an increase or decrease in premiums for bonds or guarantees?

#### Further Proceedings and Scheduling

Following receipt of written comments, the Commission anticipates holding one or more hearings to receive public testimony from interested parties. The Commission will announce the dates and locations of such hearings by subsequent Order.

By the Commission.

**Karen V. Gregory,**  
Secretary.

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### FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

#### Ocean Transportation Intermediary License Applicants

Notice is hereby given that the following applicants have filed with the Federal Maritime Commission an application for license as a Non-Vessel-Operating Common Carrier and Ocean Freight Forwarder—Ocean Transportation Intermediary pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 as amended (46 U.S.C. Chapter 409 and 46 CFR 515).

Persons knowing of any reason why the following applicants should not receive a license are requested to contact the Office of Transportation Intermediaries, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573.

#### Non-Vessel-Operating Common Carrier—Ocean Transportation Intermediary Applicants:

Doma Consolidating Inc. dba Doma Shipping, 2520 S. State Street, Chicago, IL 60616, *Officers:* Asimoula Georgalas, President (Qualifying Individual), Dimitrios Kouklakis, Stockholder.

World Cargo Service, Inc., 6905 NW 73 Court, Miami, FL 31166, *Officers:* Gregorio Zambrano, President (Qualifying Individual), Diana Julieta Rodriguez, Vice President.

Logistics Unlimited, Inc., 30 Mauchly, Suite A, Irvine, CA 92618, *Officers:* Dennis B. Crosby, Vice President (Qualifying Individual), Ted G. Shown, President/CFO.

Cargo Flow, Inc., 309 Beebe Road, Mineola, NY 11501, *Officers:* Power Cheng, President (Qualifying Individual), Shu Ju Chi, Secretary.

Unius LLC, 27653 Echo Valley W., Farmington Hills, MI 48334,

*Officer:* Aram Grigoryan, President/Secretary/Treasurer (Qualifying Individual).

Fraiser Polanco dba Quisqueya Cargo Express, 421 W. Tilghman Street, Allentown, PA 18102, *Officer:* Fraiser Polanco, Sole Proprietor (Qualifying Individual).

America Pak Agency, Inc. dba Centrans Marine Shipping, Inc., 6161 Savoy Drive, Suite 300, Houston, TX 77036, *Officer:* Jun (James) Ping, President (Qualifying Individual).

Seagull Maritime Agencies Private Limited, E-40/3, Okhla Industrial Area, Phase II, New Delhi, 110 020, India, *Officers:* Ashutosh L. Korde, President/CEO/Director (Qualifying Individual), Nitin Agarwal, Director.

American Logistics USA, Inc., 320 Pine Avenue, Suite 511, Long Beach, CA 90802, *Officers:* Mian S. Waheed, Vice President/Secretary (Qualifying Individual), Rafia S. Waheed, President.

#### Non-Vessel-Operating Common Carrier and Ocean Freight Forwarder Ocean Transportation Intermediary Applicants:

Damco USA Inc. dba Damco, Damco Sea and Air, Damco Maritime, DSL Star Express, Maersk Logistics, Giralda Farms, Madison Avenue, P.O. Box 880, Madison, NJ 07940, *Officers:* Jens F. Wessel, Vice President (Qualifying Individual), Jeremy T. Haycock, Chairman/President.

USA Intercargo, LLC, 564 Industrial Drive, Carmel, IN 46032, *Officer:* Mindaugas Balcius, Sole Member (Qualifying Individual).

CDS Global Logistics, Inc. dba USNW Express, One Cross Island Plaza, Suite 118, Rosedale, NY 11422, *Officers:* Henry Wiseman, President (Qualifying Individual), Viu Hing Mok, Director.

Morrison Express Corporation (U.S.A.), 2000 Hughes Way, El Segundo, CA 90245, *Officers:* Vincent Chih-Yu Kao, Deputy General Manager (Qualifying Individual), Danny Chiu, President/Director.

IAL Container Line (USA) Inc., 50 Cragwood Road, Suite 115, South Plainfield, NJ 07080, *Officers:* Sridhar Rajagopalan, Secretary (Qualifying Individual), Nitin Bhagat, President/C.O.O.

Kenny Kyusup Kim dba K-Way Express, 2373 E. Pacifica Place, Rancho Dominguez, CA 90220, *Officer:* Kenney Kyusup Kim, Sole Proprietor (Qualifying Individual).

Quantum Group LLC, 346 Bennetts

Farm Road, Ridgefield, CT 06877, *Officer:* Kenneth P. Treschitta, President/CEO (Qualifying Individual).

Miami Warehouse Logistics, Inc., 9251 NW 100th Street, Miami, FL 33178, *Officer:* Alexis Roldos, President/Secretary (Qualifying Individual).

#### Ocean Freight Forwarder—Ocean Transportation Intermediary Applicants:

All American Worldwide, Inc., 610 Presidential Drive, Suite 110, Richardson, TX 75081, *Officers:* Judson H. Good, II, President (Qualifying Individual), Debera D. Good, Secretary.

Russell Burns, Inc. dba Interworld Services, 16003 Crooked Lake Way S., Cypress, TX 77433, *Officer:* Russell Burns, President (Qualifying Individual).

All Freight Transportation Services, Inc., 1138 N. Main Street, Algonquin, IL 60102, *Officer:* Richard A. Pena, Jr., President/Secretary (Qualifying Individual).

V. Alexander & Company, Inc., 22 Century Blvd., Suite 510, Nashville, TN 37214, *Officers:* Michael D. Swett, Vice President/CIO (Qualifying Individual), D.F. Brown, Jr., President/Chairman of the Board.

Cesar A. Benoit and Hadee Benoit dba Cesar Cargo Express 532 Chestnut Street, Lynn, MA 01904, *Officers:* Cesar Augusto Benoit, Partner (Qualifying Individual), Hadee Benoit, Partner.

Freight America Express Inc., 25 Western Industrial Drive, Cranston, RI 02921, *Officer:* Keith T. Brandow, President/Secretary/Treasurer (Qualifying Individual).

Dated: January 22, 2010.

**Karen V. Gregory,**  
Secretary.

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### FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

#### Notice of Public Hearing; Passenger Vessel Financial Responsibility

**AGENCY:** Federal Maritime Commission.

**ACTION:** Public hearing.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission has determined to hold a public hearing on March 3, 2010 to receive public testimony concerning the Commission's Passenger Vessel Financial Responsibility Program.