

called the Wascana Pipeline, which extends from the Murphy Oil terminal northeast of Poplar, Montana, to the international border near Raymond, Montana, and which was constructed pursuant to authorization in a 1972 Permit issued to Wascana Pipeline Corp. Plains Pipeline has acquired an approximately 6.4-mile segment of the Poplar Pipeline extending from Raymond Station to the international border, repaired and replaced portions of the pipeline in that area, and installed two block valves. Plains Pipeline has submitted an application for a new Presidential Permit in its name and requests that the new Permit cover approximately 85 feet of pipeline facilities extending from a new block valve to the international border. Plains Pipeline has reported that it has separately constructed the Bakken North pipeline that extends from Trenton, North Dakota to Raymond Station, and that it intends to interconnect the Bakken North with the Poplar Pipeline in order to use the Poplar Pipeline border crossing to transport the Bakken North crude into Canada.

Plains Pipeline has stated that, upon returning the upgraded pipeline facilities to service under the 2007 Presidential Permit, Plains Pipeline will continue to operate the acquired facilities for the same purpose of transporting crude oil between the United States and Canada. It has further stated that the acquired pipeline facilities and the operation and maintenance thereof authorized by the 2007 Permit will remain substantially the same as before the transfer of the facilities to Plains Pipeline. Plains Pipeline is not seeking authorization for new construction or a change in operations.

Under E.O. 13337, the Secretary of State is designated and empowered to receive all applications for Presidential Permits for the construction, connection, operation, or maintenance at the borders of the United States of facilities for the exportation or importation of liquid petroleum, petroleum products, or other fuels (except natural gas) to or from a foreign country. The Department of State is circulating this application to concerned federal agencies for comment. The Department of State has the responsibility to determine whether issuance of a new Presidential Permit in light of Plains' acquisition and continued operation of the pipeline facilities would serve the U.S. national interest.

Plains Pipeline's application is available at <http://www.state.gov/e/enr/applicant>.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8701]

Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Committee Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 13, 2014, in the Alexander Hamilton Room (AHR), 9th floor, of the U.S. Coast Guard Personnel Service Center (PSC), 4200 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1100, Arlington, VA 20598-7200. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the thirty-ninth session of the International Maritime Organization's (IMO) Facilitation Committee to be held at the IMO Headquarters, United Kingdom, September 22-26, 2014.

The agenda items to be considered include:

- Decisions of other IMO bodies
- Consideration and adoption of proposed amendments to the Convention
- General review of the Convention, including harmonization with other international instruments
- E-business possibilities for the facilitation of maritime traffic
- Formalities connected with the arrival, stay and departure of persons
- Ensuring security in and facilitating international trade
- Ship/port interface
- Guidelines on minimum training and education for mooring personnel
- Technical cooperation activities related to facilitation of maritime traffic
- Relations with other organizations
- Application of the Committee's Guidelines
- Work programme
- Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2015
- Any other business

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. To facilitate the building security process, and to request reasonable accommodation, those who plan to attend should contact the meeting coordinator, Mr. David Du Pont, by email at

David.A.DuPont@uscg.mil, by phone at (202) 372-1497, by fax at (202) 372-1928, or in writing at Commandant (CG-REG), U.S. Coast Guard Stop 7418, 2703

Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. SE., Washington, DC 20593-7418 not later than May 6, 2014, 7 days prior to the meeting. Requests made after May 6, 2014, might not be able to be accommodated. Please note that due to security considerations, two valid, government issued photo identifications must be presented to gain entrance to the building. The USCG PSC is in the Ballston Commons Plaza located above the Ballston Common Mall in Arlington, VA. It can be reached by driving and is conveniently located next to the Ballston Metro Station.

For members of the public that would like to participate, but are unable to attend this meeting the Coast Guard will provide a teleconference option. To participate by phone, contact the meeting coordinator (details above) to obtain teleconference information. Note the number of teleconference lines is limited and will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Additional information regarding this and other IMO SHC public meetings may be found at: www.uscg.mil/imo. Information specific to the Facilitation Committee may be found at www.uscg.mil/imo/fal and www.uscg.mil/hq/cg5/cg523/imo.asp.

Dated: April 14, 2014.

Marc Zlomek,

Executive Secretary, Shipping Coordinating Committee, Department of State.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Agreement on Government Procurement: Effective Date of Amendments for Japan

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: For the purpose of U.S. Government procurement that is covered by Title III of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979, the effective date of the Protocol Amending the Agreement on Government Procurement, done at Geneva on 30 March 2012, World Trade Organization (WTO), with respect to Japan is April 16, 2014.

DATES: *Effective Date:* April 16, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Office of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20508.

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