

scene reconstruction tool that assists in the determination of the cause of the crash and can support crash investigations. It is an electronic/optical instrument that specializes in surveying with tools to provide precise measurements for diagramming crash scenes, including a laser range finder and a computer to assist law enforcement to determine post-accident reconstruction. The total station system is designed to gather evidence of the events leading up to, during and following a crash. These tools are used to gather evidence to determine such facts as minimum speed at the time of a crash, the critical speed of a roadway curve, the distance a vehicle may have traveled when out of control and other factors that involve a crash investigation. In some instances, the facts collected through the use of a total station are used to form a basis of a criminal charge or evidence in a criminal prosecution.

Based upon our recent market analysis, we are unaware of any total station equipment that is manufactured domestically. *Ibid.* Since a total station is unavailable from a domestic manufacturer and the equipment would assist in post-accident reconstruction and enforcement to advance the purpose of 23 U.S.C. 402, a Buy America waiver is appropriate. NHTSA invites public comment on this conclusion.

In light of the above discussion, and pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 313(b)(2), NHTSA finds that it is appropriate to grant a waiver from the Buy America requirements to MBHS in order to purchase the Leica total station equipment. This waiver applies to Maine and all other states seeking to use section 402 funds to purchase Leica total stations for the purposes mentioned herein. This waiver is effective through fiscal year 2016 and expires at the conclusion of the fiscal year (September 30, 2016). In accordance with the provisions of section 117 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy of Users Technical Corrections Act of 2008 (Pub. L. 110–244, 122 Stat. 1572), NHTSA is providing this notice as its finding that a waiver of the Buy America requirements is appropriate for the Leica total station.

Written comments on this finding may be submitted through any of the methods discussed above. NHTSA may reconsider this finding if, through comment, it learns additional relevant information regarding its decision to grant MBHS's waiver request.

This finding should not be construed as an endorsement or approval of any

products by NHTSA or the U.S. Department of Transportation. The United States Government does not endorse products or manufacturers.

Authority: 23 U.S.C. 313; Pub. L. 110–161.

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Paul A. Hemmersbaugh,
Chief Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. DOT–OST–2015–0248]

Draft National Freight Strategic Plan: Notice of Deadline for Submitting Comments

ACTION: Notice of deadline for submitting comments.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a deadline for submitting comments on the draft National Freight Strategic Plan (NFSP) to the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) to satisfy requirements of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP–21) and the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act). On October 18, 2015, DOT released for public comment a draft NFSP (available at https://www.transportation.gov/sites/dot.gov/files/docs/DRAFT_NFSP_for_Public_Comment_508_10%2015%2015%20v1.pdf). The DOT intends to consider all comments received from the public when updating and finalizing the NFSP to be consistent with the FAST Act requirements.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 25, 2016 to receive full consideration by DOT with respect to the final NFSP.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the draft NFSP may be submitted and viewed at Docket Number DOT–OST–2015–0248. The web address is: <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=DOT-OST-2015-0248>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Vinn White, at (202) 366–9044 or email freight@dot.gov.

Additional Information

BACKGROUND: The MAP–21 (Pub. L. 112–141) required DOT to develop a NFSP that included (1) an assessment of the conditions and performance of the National Freight Network; (2) an identification of bottlenecks on the National Freight Network that create significant freight congestion; (3)

forecasts of freight volumes; (4) an identification of major trade gateways and national freight corridors; (5) an assessment of statutory, regulatory, technological, institutional, financial, and other barriers to improved freight transportation performance, including a description of opportunities for overcoming the barriers; (6) an identification of corridors providing access to energy exploration, development, installation, or production areas; (7) an identification of best practices for improving the performance of the National Freight Network; (8) an identification of best practices to mitigate the impacts of freight movement on communities; (9) a process for addressing multistate projects and encouraging jurisdictions to collaborate; and (10) strategies to improve freight intermodal connectivity.

On October 18, 2015, the DOT issued the draft NFSP for public comment, available at www.transportation.gov/freight and also at <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=DOT-OST-2015-0248>. At that time, the DOT requested comments on the draft NFSP but did not provide a specific date by which comments were due. To date, the DOT has received numerous comments from the public but understands that many in the public who plan to submit comments have been waiting for specific instructions about the end of the comment period.

On December 4, 2015, the President signed the FAST Act (Pub. L. 114–94) into law, before the draft NFSP could be finalized. Section 8001 of the FAST Act continues the requirement that the DOT develop an NFSP, generally requiring most of the same content for the NFSP as was required under MAP–21. The FAST Act specifically makes the NFSP multimodal in scope, links it to the National Multimodal Freight Network (NMFN) (created under the FAST Act) rather than the former National Freight Network created under MAP–21, and also requires the NFSP to include an identification of corridors providing access to major areas for manufacturing, agriculture, or natural resources and requires the DOT to provide notice and an opportunity for public comment.

The DOT is currently in the process of revising the October 18, 2015 draft NFSP to conform to the additional requirements of the FAST Act. Whereas the FAST Act allows the DOT to take up to two years from the date of the FAST Act's enactment to complete the NFSP, the DOT intends to make use of the work already completed on the October 18, 2015 draft NFSP, as modified by comments received from the public on

that draft and the new FAST Act provisions, to issue a fully compliant National Freight Strategic Plan in final format by the end of July 2016. To do so, the DOT is asking the public to submit comments on the October 18, 2015 draft NFSP on or before [45 days from posting of this notice] to receive full consideration by DOT with respect to the final NFSP. Commenters are encouraged to address any aspects of the draft NFSP or the FAST Act that they believe should be reflected in the final National Freight Strategic Plan. All comments on the draft NFSP that have already been submitted to DOT will be transferred to this docket and will receive full consideration by the DOT with respect to the NFSP to be issued by the end of July 2016. Commenters who have already responded prior to this notice are also free to update or replace their previous comments.

The DOT is also working to establish an Interim National Multimodal Freight Network (NMFN) that is due 180 days following the enactment date of the FAST Act, which would be on June 1, 2016. The NMFN will be similar in concept to the draft multimodal freight network that was issued as part of the October 18, 2015 draft NFSP, but will now be handled as a separate product from the NFSP. The DOT will publish a separate **Federal Register** notice on or about June 1, 2016 requesting public comment on the Interim NMFN. The NFSP will reference the NMFN but not include it. All comments on the draft NFSP that pertain to the multimodal freight network included in the draft NFSP will receive full consideration by the DOT with respect to the development of the Interim Final Multimodal Freight Network.

Public Comment: The DOT invites comments by all those interested in the draft National Freight Strategic Plan. Comments on the draft NFSP may be submitted and viewed at Docket Number DOT-OST-2015-0248. The web address is: <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=DOT-OST-2015-0248>. Comments must be received on or before [45 days from posting of this notice] to receive full consideration by DOT with respect to the final NFSP. After [45 days from posting of this notice], comments will continue to be available for viewing by the public.

Dated: March 3, 2016.

Vinn White,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

[Docket ID OCC-2016-0004]

Minority Depository Institutions Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) announces a meeting of the Minority Depository Institutions Advisory Committee (MDIAC).

DATES: The OCC MDIAC will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, April 5, 2016, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

ADDRESSES: The OCC will hold the April 5, 2016 meeting of the MDIAC at the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 400 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20219.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Cole, Designated Federal Officer and Senior Advisor to the Senior Deputy Comptroller for Midsize and Community Bank Supervision, (202) 649-5420, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Washington, DC, 20219.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By this notice, the OCC is announcing that the MDIAC will convene a meeting at 8:00 a.m. EDT on Tuesday, April 5, 2016, at the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 400 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20219. Agenda items will include current topics of interest to the industry. The purpose of the meeting is for the MDIAC to advise the OCC on steps the agency may be able to take to ensure the continued health and viability of minority depository institutions and other issues of concern to minority depository institutions. Members of the public may submit written statements to the MDIAC by any one of the following methods:

- Email to: MDIAC@OCC.treas.gov.
- Mail to: Beverly Cole, Designated Federal Officer, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 400 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20219.

The OCC must receive written statements no later than Tuesday, March 29, 2016. Members of the public who plan to attend the meeting should contact the OCC by 5:00 p.m. EDT on Tuesday, March 29, 2016 to inform the OCC of their desire to attend the meeting and to provide information that will be required to facilitate entry into the meeting. Members of the public may contact the OCC via email at MDIAC@

OCC.treas.gov or by telephone at (202) 649-5420. Attendees should provide their full name, email address, and organization, if any. For security reasons, attendees will be subject to security screening procedures and must present a valid government-issued identification to enter the building. Members of the public who are deaf or hard of hearing should call (202) 649-5597 (TTY) at least five days before the meeting to arrange auxiliary aids such as sign language interpretation for this meeting.

Dated: March 4, 2016.

Thomas J. Curry,

Comptroller of the Currency.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 14157 and Form 14157-A

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 14157, *Complaint: Tax Return Preparer* and Form 14157-A, *Tax Return Preparer Fraud or Misconduct Affidavit*.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before May 9, 2016 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Tuawana Pinkston, Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to R. Joseph Durbala, at (202) 317-5746, or at Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through the internet, at R/Joseph.Durbala@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Tax Return Preparer Complaint.
OMB Number: 1545-2168.