

details of current operations, phases for scale up and Web site; or

- If you are creating a new accelerator, provide basics of business plan and phases for implementation.
- Aside from the founding team members, what do you look for in staff?
- What are the largest risk factors you see?

Metrics

- What are your fundraising goals or metrics? (aside from the 4-to-1 match)
- Is there a plan in place to secure/work to secure funds (cash, in-kind donations, or sponsorships) in a 4-to-1 proportion to the prize dollars received?
- Aside from metrics required by SBA, what are 5 key metrics you will use to self-evaluate?
- What does success look like?

4. *Prizes for Winners:* In 2016, SBA is partnering with several U.S. agencies (NIH, NSF, DoED, USDA) to provide additional prizes to accelerators that assist entrepreneurs in submitting SBIR/STTR proposals. SBA is also partnering with the Inter-American Development Bank to provide prizes to accelerators that assist the African descendant start-up community in the Latin America and the Caribbean. Special consideration will be given to these accelerator models which support women-owned or minority-owned small businesses, with the highest-rated contestants that also represent the greatest degree of achieving national geographic distribution in both urban and rural areas. SBA's Office of Investment and Innovation (OII) will also be partnering with the Office of Native American Affairs (ONAA) and the Office of Veterans Business Development (OVBD) to award additional prizes to accelerators assisting the Native American and U.S. Veterans start-up community. Prizes will be paid in lump sum via the Automated Clearing House (ACH). Winners will be required to create an account in the System for Award Management (SAM) in order to receive an award.

5. *Selection of Winners:* Winners will be selected based upon how well they address the criteria identified in Items 2 and 3 of this Competition announcement. In addition, in order to achieve nationwide distribution of prizes for the purpose of stimulating the growth and development of startups across the entire United States, SBA may take into account applicants' geographic locations and areas of service when selecting winners, including support to geographic regions that traditionally have limited access to capital, the underserved, women, the maker community, and American

Indian, Alaska Native or Native Hawaiian populations.

6. *Applicable Law:* This Challenge is being conducted by SBA pursuant to the America Competes Act (15 U.S.C. 3719) and is subject to all applicable federal laws and regulations. By participating in this Challenge, each contestant gives its full and unconditional agreement to the Official Rules and the related administrative decisions described in this notice, which are final and binding in all matters related to the Challenge. A contestant's eligibility for a prize award is contingent upon their fulfilling all requirements identified in this notice. Publication of this notice is not an obligation of funds on the part of SBA. SBA reserves the right to modify or cancel this Challenge, in whole or in part, at any time prior to the award of prizes.

7. *Conflicts of Interest:* No individual acting as a judge at any stage of this Challenge may have personal or financial interests in, or be an employee, officer, director, or agent of any contestant or have a familial or financial relationship with a contestant.

8. *Intellectual Property Rights:* All entries submitted in response to this Challenge will remain the sole intellectual property of the individuals or organizations that developed them. By registering and entering a submission, each contestant represents and warrants that it is the sole author and copyright owner of the submission, and that the submission is an original work of the contestant, or if the submission is a work based on an existing application, that the contestant has acquired sufficient rights to use and to authorize others to use the submission, and that the submission does not infringe upon any copyright or upon any other third party rights of which the contestant is aware.

9. *Publicity Rights:* By registering and entering a submission, each contestant consents to SBA's and its agents' use, in perpetuity, of its name, likeness, photograph, voice, opinions, and/or hometown and state information for promotional or informational purposes through any form of media, worldwide, without further payment or consideration.

10. *Liability and Insurance Requirements:* By registering and entering a submission, each contestant agrees to assume any and all risks and waive claims against the Federal Government and its related entities, except in the case of willful misconduct, for any injury, death, damage, or loss of property, revenue, or profits, whether direct, indirect, or consequential, arising from their participation in this

Challenge, whether the injury, death, damage, or loss arises through negligence or otherwise. By registering and entering a submission, each contestant further represents and warrants that it possesses sufficient liability insurance or financial resources to cover claims by a third party for death, bodily injury, or property damage or loss resulting from any activity it carries out in connection with its participation in this Challenge, or claims by the Federal Government for damage or loss to Government property resulting from such an activity. Challenge winners should be prepared to demonstrate proof of insurance or financial responsibility in the event SBA deems it necessary.

11. *Record Retention and Disclosure:* All submissions and related materials provided to SBA in the course of this Competition automatically become SBA records and cannot be returned. Contestants should identify any confidential commercial information contained in their entries at the time of their submission.

Award Approving Official: Mark Walsh, Associate Administrator, Office of Investment and Innovation, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 Third Street SW., Washington, DC 20416.

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Mark Walsh,

Associate Administrator, Office of Investment and Innovation.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #14708 and #14709]

Texas Disaster #TX-00468

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a Notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Texas (FEMA-4269-DR), dated 04/25/2016.

Incident: Severe Storms and Flooding.
Incident Period: 04/17/2016 through 04/24/2016.

Effective Date: 04/25/2016.

Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 06/24/2016.

Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date: 01/25/2017.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and

Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that as a result of the President's major disaster declaration on 04/25/2016, applications for disaster loans may be filed at the address listed above or other locally announced locations.

The following areas have been determined to be adversely affected by the disaster:

Primary Counties (Physical Damage and Economic Injury Loans): Fayette Grimes Harris Parker

Contiguous Counties (Economic Injury Loans Only):

Texas: Austin, Bastrop, Brazoria, Brazos, Caldwell, Chambers, Colorado, Fort Bend, Galveston, Gonzales, Hood, Jack, Johnson, Lavaca, Lee, Liberty, Madison, Montgomery, Palo Pinto, Tarrant, Walker, Waller, Washington, Wise

The Interest Rates are:

	Percent
<i>For Physical Damage:</i>	
Homeowners With Credit Available Elsewhere	3.625
Homeowners Without Credit Available Elsewhere	1.813
Businesses With Credit Available Elsewhere	6.250
Businesses Without Credit Available Elsewhere	4.000
Non-Profit Organizations With Credit Available Elsewhere	2.625
Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere	2.625
<i>For Economic Injury:</i>	
Businesses & Small Agricultural Cooperatives Without Credit Available Elsewhere	4.000
Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere	2.625

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 147086 and for economic injury is 147090.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 59008)

James E. Rivera,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Main Street Mezzanine Fund, L.P., License No. 06/06-0326; Notice Seeking Exemption Under Section 312 of the Small Business Investment Act, Conflicts of Interest

Notice is hereby given that Main Street Mezzanine Fund, L.P., 1300 Post Oak Blvd., Suite 800, Houston, TX 77056, a Federal Licensee under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, as amended ("the Act"), in connection with the financing of a small concern, has sought an exemption under Section 312 of the Act and Section 107.730, Financings which constitute Conflicts of Interest of the Small Business Administration ("SBA") Rules and Regulations (13 CFR part 107). Main Street Mezzanine Fund, L.P. proposes to provide loan financing to PCI Holding Company, Inc., 1007 Church Street, Suite 420, Evanston, IL 60201.

The financing is brought within the purview of § 107.730(a) of the Regulations because Main Street Capital II, L.P., an Associate of Main Street Mezzanine Fund, L.P., holds a direct ownership interest in PCI Holding Company, Inc., of greater than 10 percent. Therefore, PCI Holding Company Inc. is an Associate of Main Street Mezzanine Fund, L.P. Therefore this transaction requires a prior SBA exemption.

Notice is hereby given that any interested person may submit written comments on the transaction, within fifteen days of the date of this publication, to the Associate Administrator for Investment and Innovation, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 Third Street SW., Washington, DC 20416.

Dated: April 28, 2016.

Mark L. Walsh,

Associate Administrator, Office of Investment and Innovation.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 9545]

30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Overseas Schools—Grant Status Report

ACTION: Notice of request for public comment and submission to OMB of proposed collection of information.

SUMMARY: The Department of State has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of

Management and Budget (OMB) for approval. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this Notice is to allow 30 days for public comment.

DATES: Submit comments directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) up to June 3, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Direct comments to the Department of State Desk Officer in the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). You may submit comments by the following methods:

- *Email:* oir_submission@omb.eop.gov. You must include the DS form number, information collection title, and the OMB control number in the subject line of your message.

- *Fax:* 202-395-5806. Attention: Desk Officer for Department of State.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to Keith D. Miller, Office of Overseas Schools, U.S. Department of State, 2201 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20520 and can be reached on 202-261-8200 or at millerkd2@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- *Title of Information Collection:* Overseas Schools—Grant Status Report.
- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0033.
- *Type of Request:* Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.
- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Administration, A/OPR/OS.
- *Form Number:* DS-2028.
- *Respondents:* Overseas schools grantees.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 195.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 195.
- *Average Time per Response:* 15 minutes.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 49 hours.

- *Frequency:* Annually.
- *Obligation to Respond:* Required to obtain or retain a benefit.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.