DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

Sunshine Act Meetings; Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors Meeting.

TIME AND DATE: The meeting will be held on October 26, 2017, from 12:00 Noon to 3:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

PLACE: This meeting will be open to the public via conference call. Any interested person may call 1–877–422–1931, passcode 285543940, to listen.

STATUS: Open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors (the Board) will continue its work in developing and implementing the Unified Carrier Registration Plan and Agreement, and, to that end, may consider matters properly before the Board.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Avelino Gutierrez, Chair, Unified Carrier Registration Board of Directors at (505) 827–4565.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Automated Driving Systems: Voluntary Safety Self-Assessments; Public Workshop


ACTION: Notice of public workshop.

SUMMARY: On September 12, 2017, NHTSA published Automated Driving Systems 2.0: A Vision for Safety. This voluntary guidance encourages entities involved in the testing and deployment of Automated Driving Systems on public roads to document for themselves how they are addressing safety. Further, the guidance recommends that these same entities summarize their assessments and make them available to the public via Voluntary Safety Self-Assessments. NHTSA is announcing a public workshop to support entities that wish to make their self-assessment publicly available. The Agency emphasizes that the workshop is not intended to be a tutorial for a prescriptive document. NHTSA hopes to hear from entities if there are any challenges that would make it difficult for an entity to publicly disclose any portion of a Voluntary Safety Self-Assessment in a summary document, and discuss how those challenges might be overcome or mitigated. To provide the most benefit, this workshop will encourage active, focused participation.

DATES: NHTSA will hold the public workshop on October 20, 2017, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Eastern Standard Time. Check-in will begin at 9 a.m. Attendees should arrive early enough to enable them to go through security by 9:50 a.m. The formal docket comment period will close on December 18, 2017, but the Agency will continue to accept comments to the docket.

ADDRESSES: The public workshop will be held at DOT Headquarters, located at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590 (Green Line Metro station at Navy Yard) in the [Oklahoma City Conference Room]. This facility is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about the public workshop, please contact NHTSA staff at av_info.nhtsa@dot.gov or Debbie Sweet at 202–366–7179.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Registration is necessary for all attendees. Attendees should register online at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeLeUn2Dw2fNW6o8f9zWh2Nkq8Gv59yVvP1Jw_yb6X8w/viewform?usp=sf_link by October 17, 2017. Please provide your name, email address, and affiliation. Also indicate whether you plan to participate actively in the workshop (speaking would be limited to 5 minutes per agenda topic), and whether you require accommodations such as a sign language interpreter. Space is limited, so advanced registration is highly encouraged.

Docket: Docket NHTSA–2017–0086 is available for members of the public to submit written comments regarding the Voluntary Safety Self-Assessment as laid out in Automated Driving Systems 2.0: A Vision for Safety. The formal docket comment period will close on December 18, 2017, but the Agency will continue to accept comments to the docket. For access to the docket, go to http://www.regulations.gov at any time or to 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.


Privacy Act: Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review the DOT’s complete Privacy Act Statement in the Federal Register published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477–78), by visiting http://www.dot.gov/privacy.html.

Background

On September 20, 2016, NHTSA released and published for comment the Federal Automated Vehicles Policy. The comment period officially closed on November 22, 2016, but comments were considered through February 16, 2017. NHTSA analyzed the docket comments, public meeting proceedings and other stakeholder discussions, Congressional hearings, and State activities and submitted its Voluntary Automated Driving Systems 2.0: A Vision for Safety.1 This notice focuses on Section I of that document.

Section 1: Voluntary Guidance for Automated Driving Systems (Voluntary Guidance) provides recommendations and suggestions for industry’s


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