

Commission believes that waiver of the 30-day operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. Accordingly, the Commission hereby waives the 30-day operative delay and designates the proposal operative upon filing.<sup>36</sup>

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be approved or disapproved.

#### IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

##### Electronic Comments

- Use the Commission's internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an email to [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-MIAX-2021-21 on the subject line.

##### Paper Comments

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.
- All submissions should refer to File Number SR-MIAX-2021-21. This file number should be included on the subject line if email is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's internet website (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the

<sup>36</sup> For purposes only of waiving the 30-day operative delay, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. See 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for website viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that we do not redact or edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-MIAX-2021-21, and should be submitted on or before June 28, 2021.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>37</sup>

**J. Matthew DeLesDernier,**

*Assistant Secretary.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

##### [Public Notice 11438]

#### Notice of the Program for the Study of Eastern Europe and Eurasia (Title VIII) Advisory Committee Open Virtual Meeting

**ACTION:** Notice of an advisory committee open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 10 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), notice is hereby given to announce a public virtual meeting of the Title VIII Advisory Committee on Thursday, July 1, 2021.

**DATES:** The meeting will begin at approximately 1:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) on Thursday, July 1, 2021 via Google Meets and adjourn at approximately 4:00 p.m. EDT.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Designated Federal Officer, Ms. Sidni Dechaine, Title VIII Program Officer, Department of State, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, [TitleVIII@state.gov](mailto:TitleVIII@state.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** All meeting participants are being asked to RSVP by Tuesday, June 29, 2021 via email to [TitleVIII@state.gov](mailto:TitleVIII@state.gov), subject line "Title VIII Advisory Committee Public Meeting 2021." Upon receipt of the RSVP, attendees will be registered, and

<sup>37</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12), (59).

will receive the meeting number and password. Members of the public who will participate are encouraged to dial into the meeting 10 minutes prior to the start of the meeting.

**Purpose of Meeting and Topics to be Discussed:** The Advisory Committee will announce grant recipients for the 2021 funding opportunity for the Program for the Study of Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union, in accordance with the Research and Training for Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union Act of 1983, Public Law 98-164, as amended. The agenda will include opening statements by the Committee chair and Committee members. The Committee will provide an overview and discussion of eligible grant proposals submitted from national organizations with an interest and expertise in conducting research and training concerning the countries of Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union," based on the guidelines set forth in the March 23, 2021 request for proposals published on [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) and SAMS Domestic ([mygrants.service-now.com](https://mygrants.service-now.com)). Following Committee deliberation, interested members of the public may make oral statements concerning the Title VIII program. This meeting will be open to the public; however, attendees must register in advance.

**Sidni J. Dechaine,**

*Designated Federal Officer, Advisory Committee for the Program for the Study Of Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union, Department of State.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

##### [Public Notice 11437]

#### Notice of Public Meeting in Preparation for International Maritime Organization III 7 Meeting

The Department of State will conduct a public meeting at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 30, 2021, by way of teleconference. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the seventh session of the International Maritime Organization's (IMO) Sub-Committee on Implementation of IMO Instruments (III 7) to be held virtually from Monday, July 12, 2021 to Friday, July 16, 2021.

The agenda items to be considered at the public meeting mirror those to be considered at III 7, and include:

—Decisions of other IMO bodies;

- Consideration and analysis of reports on alleged inadequacy of port reception facilities;
- Lessons learned and safety issues identified from the analysis of marine safety investigation reports;
- Measures to harmonize port state control (PSC) activities and procedures worldwide;
- Identified issues related to the implementation of IMO instruments from the analysis of PSC data;
- Analysis of consolidated audit summary reports;
- Updated survey guidelines under the Harmonized System of Survey and Certification (HSSC);
- Non-exhaustive list of obligations under the instruments relevant to the IMO Instruments Implementation Code (III Code); and
- Unified interpretation of provisions of IMO safety, security, and environment related conventions.
- Follow-up work emanating from the Action Plan to address plastic litter from ships.
- Review the model agreement for the authorization of recognized organizations acting on behalf of the Administration.

*Please note:* The IMO may, on short notice, adjust the III 7 agenda to accommodate the constraints associated with the virtual meeting format. Any changes to the agenda will be reported to those who RSVP and those in attendance at the meeting.

Those who plan to participate may contact the meeting coordinator, Mr. Christopher Gagnon, by email at [christopher.j.gagnon@uscg.mil](mailto:christopher.j.gagnon@uscg.mil), by phone at (202) 372-1231, or in writing at 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. SE, Stop 7501, Washington DC 20593-7509. Members of the public needing reasonable accommodation should advise Mr. Gagnon not later than June 23, 2021. Requests made after that date will be considered, but might not be possible to fulfill.

Additional information regarding this and other IMO public meetings may be found at: <https://www.dco.uscg.mil/IMO>.

**Jeremy M. Greenwood,**

*Coast Guard Liaison Officer, Office of Ocean and Polar Affairs, Department of State.*

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## **SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

**[Docket No. AB 1094X]**

### **City of Los Angeles—Abandonment Exemption—in Los Angeles County, Cal.**

The City of Los Angeles (the City) has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR part 1152 subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments* to abandon a 2.6-mile portion of a rail line known as the San Pedro Subdivision extending from milepost 4.00 (north of Front Street and east of the Gaffey Street Lead) to the end of the line at milepost 6.60 in Los Angeles County, Cal. (the Line). The Line traverses U.S. Postal Service Zip Code 90731.

The City has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the Line for at least two years; (2) no overhead traffic will need to be rerouted because the Line is stub-ended; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the Line (or by a state or local government entity acting on behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service over the Line either is pending with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) or with any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of a complainant within the two-year period; and (4) the requirements of 49 CFR 1105.7 and 1105.8 (notice of environmental and historic reports), 49 CFR 1105.9 (Coastal Zone Management Act), 49 CFR 1105.11 (transmittal letter), 49 CFR 1105.12 (newspaper publication), and 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) (notice of governmental agencies) have been met.

As a condition to this exemption, any employee adversely affected by the abandonment shall be protected under *Oregon Short Line Railroad—Abandonment Portion Goshen Branch Between Firth & Ammon, in Bingham & Bonneville Counties, Idaho*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979). To address whether this condition adequately protects affected employees, a petition for partial revocation under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) must be filed.

Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) has been received,<sup>1</sup> the exemption will be effective on July 7, 2021, unless stayed pending reconsideration. The City simultaneously has filed in this proceeding a petition for exemption from the OFA provisions at 49 U.S.C. 10904 and the public use provisions at

<sup>1</sup> Persons interested in submitting an OFA must first file a formal expression of intent to file an offer, indicating the type of financial assistance they wish to provide (*i.e.*, subsidy or purchase) and demonstrating that they are preliminarily financially responsible. See 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2)(i).

49 U.S.C. 10905.<sup>2</sup> That petition will be addressed in a subsequent decision.

Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues,<sup>3</sup> formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2), and interim trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by June 17, 2021.<sup>4</sup> Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by June 28, 2021.

All pleadings, referring to Docket No. AB 1094X, should be filed with the Surface Transportation Board via e-filing on the Board's website. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on the City's representative, Allison I. Fultz, Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell, 1001 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20036.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio.

The City has filed a combined environmental and historic report that addresses the potential effects, if any, of the abandonment on the environment and historic resources. OEA will issue a Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA) by June 11, 2021. The Draft EA will be available to interested persons on the Board's website, by writing to OEA, or by calling OEA at (202) 245-0305. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Comments on environmental and historic preservation matters must be filed within 15 days after the Draft EA becomes available to the public.

Environmental, historic preservation, public use, or interim trail use/rail banking conditions will be imposed, where appropriate, in a subsequent decision.

Pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), the City shall file a notice of consummation with the Board to

<sup>2</sup> While this is not the preferred procedural approach, it will be permitted here. See *Union Pac. R.R.—Aban. Exemption—in Adams, Weld & Boulder Cntys., Colo.*, AB 33 (Sub-No. 307X), slip op. at 1 n.2 (STB served Oct. 18, 2012) (“Even if the abandonment is eligible for a class exemption, if a petitioner also seeks exemptions that must be ruled upon by the entire Board, the better practice is to file one petition for exemption seeking both the abandonment and any other requested exemptions.”).

<sup>3</sup> The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised by a party or by the Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemption's effective date. See *Exemption of Out-of-Serv. Rail Lines*, 5 I.C.C.2d 377 (1989). Any request for a stay should be filed as soon as possible so that the Board may take appropriate action before the exemption's effective date.

<sup>4</sup> Filing fees for OFAs and trail use requests can be found at 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25) and (27), respectively.