

**PLACE:** 1050 First Street NE, Washington, DC and Virtual (This meeting will be a hybrid meeting).  
**STATUS:** This meeting will be closed to the public.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Compliance matters pursuant to 52 U.S.C. 30109. Information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to have a considerable adverse effect on the implementation of a proposed Commission action.

Matters concerning participation in civil actions or proceedings or arbitration.

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**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Judith Ingram, Press Officer, Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

(Authority: Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552b)

**Vicktoria J. Allen,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Commission.*

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## FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

[Docket No. 23-11]

### **Bal Container Line Co., Limited, Complainant v. SA Terminals (Pier A), LLC; and SSA Containers, Inc., Respondents; Notice of Filing of Amended Complaint and Assignment**

Served: December 27, 2023.

Notice is given that an amended complaint has been filed with the Federal Maritime Commission (the "Commission") by Bal Container Line Co., Limited (the "Complainant") against SSA Marine Terminal; SSA Terminals (Pier A), LLC; and SSA Containers, Inc. (the "Respondents"). Complainant states that the Commission has jurisdiction over the amended complaint under the Shipping Act of 1984, as amended, 46 U.S.C. 40101 *et seq.*, and jurisdiction over the Respondents as a "marine terminal operator" within the meaning of the Shipping Act at 46 U.S.C. 40102(15).

Complainant is an entity with a principal place of business in Hong Kong and a vessel-operating common carrier.

Complainant identifies Respondent SSA Marine Terminal as a Delaware limited liability company with a principal place of business in Seattle, Washington.

Complainant identifies Respondent SSA Terminals (Pier A), LLC as a Delaware limited liability company with a principal place of business in Seattle, Washington.

Complainant identifies Respondent SSA Containers, Inc. as a Washington corporation with a principal place of business in Seattle, Washington.

Complainant alleges that Respondents violated 46 U.S.C. 41102(c) and 46 CFR part 545 regarding a failure to establish, observe, and enforce just and reasonable regulations and practices relating to or connected with receiving, handling, storing, or delivering property. Complainant alleges these violations arose from an assessment of a flat rate congestion surcharge without stating the purpose of the surcharge, the triggering event, the ending date or an event that would end the surcharge, how the surcharge would help alleviate congestion, or any other relevant required information; a continued assessment of congestion surcharges while containers were placed in inaccessible terminal areas or the ability to pick up the containers was constrained due to circumstances outside the Complainant's control; and a seizure of eighteen containers, money owed to Complainant, and demurrage fees collected on Complainant's behalf until payment of the congestion surcharges.

An answer to the amended complaint must be filed with the Commission within 25 days after the date of service.

The full text of the amended complaint can be found in the Commission's electronic Reading Room at <https://www2.fmc.gov/readingroom/proceeding/23-11/>. This proceeding has been assigned to the Office of Administrative Law Judges. The initial decision of the presiding judge shall be issued by October 21, 2024, and the final decision of the Commission shall be issued by May 5, 2025.

**Alanna Beck,**

*Federal Register Alternate Liaison Officer, Federal Maritime Commission.*

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## FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

### **Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Extension**

**AGENCY:** Federal Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Trade Commission ("FTC" or "Commission") requests that the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") extend for an additional three years the current Paperwork Reduction Act ("PRA") clearance for information collection

requirements contained in the FTC's Use of Prenotification Negative Option Plans ("Negative Option Rule" or "Rule"). That clearance expires on January 31, 2024.

**DATES:** Comments must be filed by February 2, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties may file a comment online or on paper, by following the instructions in the Request for Comment part of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Katherine Johnson, Attorney, Division of Enforcement, Federal Trade Commission, Room CC-9528, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580, (202) 326-2185.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title of Collection:* Use of Prenotification Negative Option Plans (Negative Option Rule or Rule), 16 CFR part 425.<sup>1</sup>

*OMB Control Number:* 3084-0104.

*Type of Review:* Extension without change of currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* The Negative Option Rule governs the operation of prenotification subscription plans. Under these types of plans—which can include things such as a book of the month club, food of the month club, or clothing items of the month club—a seller provides a consumer with automatic shipments of merchandise unless the consumer affirmatively notifies the seller they do not want the shipment. The Rule requires that a seller notify a member that they will automatically ship merchandise to the member and bill the member for the merchandise if the subscriber fails to expressly reject the merchandise beforehand within a prescribed time. The Rule protects consumers by: (1) requiring that promotional materials disclose the terms of membership clearly and conspicuously; and (2) establishing procedures for the administration of such "negative option" plans.

<sup>1</sup> The Commission recently published a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeking comment on proposed amendments to the Commission's Negative Option Rule. 88 FR 24716 (Apr. 24, 2023). The present PRA Notice is not part of that proceeding and merely seeks comment on the existing burden estimates for the current Rule, which applies only to "prenotification" negative option plans.