

Revised Guidance on Appointment of Lobbyists to Fed. Advisory Comms., Bds., & Comm'ns, 79 FR 47,482 (Aug. 13, 2014). Members of RSTAC are appointed to serve in a representative capacity.

Each RSTAC member is appointed for a term of three years. No member will be eligible to serve in excess of two consecutive terms. However, a member may serve after the expiration of his or her term until a successor has taken office.

Due to the expiration of an RSTAC member's term, a vacancy exists for a small shipper representative. Nominations for candidates to fill the vacancy should be submitted in letter form, identifying the name of the candidate, providing a summary of why the candidate is qualified to serve on RSTAC, and containing representations that the candidate is willing to serve as an RSTAC member effective immediately upon appointment. Candidates may nominate themselves. The Board's Chair is committed to having a committee reflecting diverse communities and viewpoints and strongly encourages the nomination of candidates from diverse backgrounds. RSTAC candidate nominations should be filed with the Board by November 18, 2024. Members selected to serve on RSTAC are chosen at the discretion of the Board's Chair.

Please note that submissions will be posted on the Board's website under Docket No. EP 526 (Sub-No. 22) and can also be obtained by contacting the Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance at RCPA@stb.gov or (202) 245-0238.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 1325.

Decided: October 18, 2024.

By the Board, Scott M. Zimmerman, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

Jeffrey Herzig,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No: FAA-2024-2434]

Notice of Virtual Meeting With Industry

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of virtual meeting for Prospective Manufacturers of Airborne Position Reference Tools (APRT).

SUMMARY: The FAA is holding a virtual industry event to educate companies

interested in manufacturing supplemental surveillance tools to increase airborne situational awareness. These "Airborne Position Reference Tools" (APRTs) will be available for purchase and operation by non-federal entities (e.g., airport authorities). APRTs are intended for use in air traffic control towers that are staffed by non-federally employed controllers and not equipped with Standard Terminal Automation Replacement Systems (STARS).

DATES: Wednesday December 11, 2024; 1:30-4:30 p.m. Eastern Time.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Statutory authority

The FAA is authorized to regulate aviation technologies that are manufactured for operation by non-federal entities in the National Airspace System (NAS). (49 U.S.C. 44708; 40102(4)(c).) The Advanced Systems Design Service is tasked to assess the suitability of technologies that industry proposes for non-federal use in the NAS. (14 CFR part 171.75.)

II. Background

Please join the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for a virtual industry event to educate companies interested in manufacturing and selling supplemental surveillance tools to increase airborne situational awareness. These "Airborne Position Reference Tools" (APRTs) will be available for purchase and operation by non-federal entities (e.g., airport authorities). They are intended for use in air traffic control towers that are staffed by non-federally employed controllers and not equipped with Standard Terminal Automation Replacement Systems (STARS).

The FAA does not operate every Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) in the National Airspace System (NAS). Some towers are staffed by non-federally employed controllers, either via the FAA Contract Tower (FCT) program, or with non-federal funding. A number of these "non-FAA" towers do not have a Certified Tower Radar Display (i.e., STARS). Without radar data the controllers at those towers must rely on their own visual observations, and their radio communications with pilots. Many of these towers desire a tool that supplements situational awareness by providing controllers with a digital picture of their airspace.

APRTs may only be used to supplement controllers' visual observations, and their radio communications with pilots. APRTs may not be used as the basis for maintaining separation between aircraft and they may not connect to FAA networks and/or FAA equipment.

The FAA is not conducting an acquisition for APRTs. Sponsors who want to procure and operate an APRT must purchase FAA approved systems/services. The FAA has developed minimum requirements that prospective manufacturers must meet and an approval process they must follow. Multiple vendors' systems/services may be approved for non-federal use under the APRT umbrella.

On Wednesday December 11th from 1:30-4:30 p.m. the FAA will virtually brief that information to interested parties and entertain questions. We will also announce the date on which prospective manufacturers may submit their design approval requests.

III. How To Register for This Event

This event will be held via video conference. Please use the following link to register for an event invitation: <https://liveeventsfaa.wufoo.com/forms/industry-day-for-airborne-position-reference-tools/>.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[FAA-2024-2488]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: "Generic Clearance for Customer Interactions"

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. Customer Interactions provide the Federal Aviation Administration valuable information and connect the agency to the public.