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The agenda for the October 4 meeting includes discussion of the interagency process on international labor policy formulation.

Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting as seating capacity allows. As access to the Department of State is controlled, persons wishing to attend the meeting must be pre-cleared by calling or faxing the following information, by open of business October 3, to Eric Barboriak at (202) 647-3664 or fax (202) 647-0431 or e-mail barboriakem@state.gov; name; company or organization affiliation (if any); date of birth; and social security number. Pre-cleared persons should use the C Street entrance to the State Department and have a driver's license with photo, a passport, a U.S. Government ID or other valid photo identification.

Members of the public may, if they wish, submit a brief statement to the Committee in writing. Those wishing further information should contact Mr. Barboriak at the phone and fax numbers provided above.

Dated: September 6, 2001.

Lorne W. Craner,

Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Department of State
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Notice of Weekly Receipts

Aviation Proceedings, Agreements filed during week ending August 31, 2001. The following Agreements were filed with the Department of Transportation under provisions of 49

U.S.C. Sections 412 and 414. Answers may be filed within 21 days after the filing of the applications.

Docket Number: OST-2001-10522.

Date Filed: August 28, 2001.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: PTC COMP 0848 dated 28 August 2001, CTC COMP 0364 dated 28 August 2001, Resolutions 024f/033f—Local Currency, Fare/Rate Changes—Papua New Guinea, Intended effective date: 1 October 2001.

Docket Number: OST-2001-10541.

Date Filed: August 31, 2001.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: PAC/Reso/413 dated 23 July 2001, Finally Adopted Resolutions r1-r34, MINUTES—PAC/Meet/171 dated 23 July 2001, Intended effective date: 1 January 2002.

Docket Number: OST-2001-10546.

Date Filed: August 31, 2001.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: PTC23 ME-TC3 0127 dated 31 August 2001, Mail Vote 142—TC23/123 Africa-TC3, Special Passenger Amending Resolution from India r1-r7, Intended effective date: 14 September 2001.

Dorothy Y. Beard,

Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Notice of Weekly Applications

Notice of Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits Filed Under Subpart B (formerly Subpart Q) during the week ending August 31, 2001. The following Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits were filed under Subpart B (formerly Subpart Q) of the Department of Transportation's Procedural Regulations (See 14 CFR 301.201 *et seq.*). The due date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motions to Modify Scope are set forth below for each application. Following the Answer period, DOT may process the application by expedited procedures. Such procedures may consist of the adoption of a show-cause order, a tentative order, or in appropriate cases a final order without further proceedings.

Docket Number: OST-2001-10529.

Date Filed: August 29, 2001.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: September 20, 2001.

Description: Application of Arizona Express Airlines, Inc., pursuant to 49 U.S.C. Section 41738, requesting authority to engage in scheduled passenger service operations as a commuter and proposes to operate two scheduled, non-stop, round-trip flights daily between Show Low and Phoenix, Arizona.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

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Annual Certification of Prince William Sound Regional Citizen's Advisory Council

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of recertification.

SUMMARY: Under the Oil Terminal and Tanker Environmental Oversight Act of 1990, the Coast Guard may certify on an annual basis, an alternative voluntary advisory group in lieu of a regional citizens' advisory council for Prince William Sound, Alaska. This certification allows the advisory group to monitor the activities of terminal facilities and crude oil tankers under the Prince William Sound Program established by the statute. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public that the Coast Guard has recertified the alternative voluntary advisory group for Prince William Sound, Alaska.

DATES: This certification is effective from January 31, 2001 to January 31, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information regarding the PWS RCAC or viewing material submitted to the docket, contact LT Michael Patterson, Seventeenth Coast Guard District, Marine Safety Division, (907) 463-2807.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background and Purpose

As part of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, Congress passed the Oil Pollution Terminal and Oil Tanker Environmental Oversight and Monitoring Act of 1990, (the Act), section 5002, to foster the long-term partnership among industry, government, and local communities in overseeing compliance with the

environmental concerns in the operation of terminal facilities and crude-oil tankers. Subsection 5002(o) permits an alternative voluntary advisory group to represent the communities and interests in the vicinity of the terminal facilities in Prince William Sound (PWS), in lieu of a council of the type specified in subsection 5002(d), if certain conditions are met.

The Act requires that the group enter into a contract to ensure annual funding, and that it receive annual certification by the President to the effect that it fosters the general goals and purposes of the Act, and is broadly representative of the communities and interests in the vicinity of the terminal facilities and Prince William Sound. Accordingly, in 1991, the President granted certification to the Prince William Sound Regional Citizen's Advisory Council (PWS RCAC). The authority to certify alternative advisory groups was subsequently delegated to the Commandant of the Coast Guard and redelegated to the Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard District.

On June 26, 2001, the Coast Guard announced in the **Federal Register** the availability of the application for recertification that it received from the PWS RCAC and requested comments (66 FR 33989). Twenty comments were received.

Discussion of Comments

In conducting the review in the recertification process, all comments were considered. Of the comments received, 19 were supportive of recertification and noted the positive efforts, good communication, and broad representation of PWS communities as PWS RCAC carries out its responsibilities as intended by the Act. One commenter recommended the Coast Guard not certify the PWS RCAC because it is not broadly representative of all interests and communities in the area. The following summarizes the Coast Guard's analysis of the issues raised during the review process.

One commenter, representing a native village within Prince William Sound stated that because the village was not represented on the PWS RCAC Board of Directors, the PWS RCAC did not meet the requirements of being broadly representative of the interests and communities in the area. OPA 90 does not require that the PWS RCAC Board of Directors have a formal representative from each tribal village in order to be broadly representative of the PWS community. Upon investigation, it was noted that many members of the village live in a community that is represented

on the PWS RCAC Board of Directors and many are members of a Native Corporation that is represented on the board. The PWS RCAC Board of Directors advertises its meetings, moves the meetings to locations throughout PWS, and publicizes the work they perform through the press and a web site in their efforts to ensure all communities throughout PWS are familiar with and have an opportunity to comment on their activities. The Coast Guard does not agree that lack of specific, formal representation of this village on the PWS RCAC Board of Directors indicates that the PWS RCAC is not broadly representative of the communities and interests in the area. However, while there may be areas of commonality between a native village and the larger community and Native Corporations they belong to, the specific concerns of a native village are not always shared by these other entities. The Coast Guard recommends that PWS RCAC contact this village to learn their specific concerns about how the oil terminal and tanker operations affect their village. The Coast Guard also recommends that the village seek membership on the PWS RCAC Board of Directors, consistent with section 2732(d)(A)(2)(iii) of the Act.

Upon review of the information submitted by PWS RCAC as part of the certification package, it was noted that in a routine annual audit of the PWS RCAC's financial statements, the auditor performing the audit made several recommendations for improving the financial management of the organization. In particular, the auditor noted that allowing members to use RCAC funds to cover travel costs when combining official travel and personal travel and then repay the RCAC after the fact for the personal expenditures necessitates increased oversight to ensure RCAC is repaid and additional accounting is properly managed. The auditor recommended against continuing this practice. The Coast Guard agrees and recommends that this change be made prior to the next certification cycle.

During the review period, the Coast Guard was made aware of concerns from within the RCAC of whether PWS RCAC policies for travel and recordkeeping were consistent with best business practices. A review of travel policies identified some areas that could be improved to ensure that the PWS RCAC's administrative costs remain consistent with the goals of OPA 90. Based on this finding and the general concerns raised, the Coast Guard initiated an audit with the full cooperation of PWS RCAC to evaluate

PWS RCAC's policies and practices against commonly accepted principles of similarly situated organizations. This audit is currently ongoing. Based on the results, the Coast Guard may have recommendations for PWS RCAC that will need to be implemented before the next annual certification.

Notwithstanding the issues described above, the PWS RCAC continues to make great progress on projects that promise to significantly improve oil terminal and tanker operations in PWS, such as the ice radar project, the Valdez Marine Terminal's fire prevention and response system, and work on Geographic Response Strategies.

Upon review of the comments received regarding the PWS RCAC's performance during the past year and the information provided by the RCAC in their annual report and recertification package the Coast Guard finds the PWS RCAC meets the criteria established under the Oil Pollution Act, and that recertification in accordance with the Act is appropriate.

Recertification: By letter dated September 7, 2001, the Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard District, certified that the PWSRCAC qualifies as an alternative voluntary advisory group under 33 U.S.C. 2732(o). This recertification terminates on January 31, 2002.

Dated: September 7, 2001.

T. J. Barrett,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

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National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee (NOSAC) and its Subcommittees will meet to discuss various issues relating to offshore safety. All meetings will be open to the public.

DATES: NOSAC will meet on Thursday, November 8, 2001, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Subcommittee on Deepwater Activities will meet on Wednesday, November 7, 2001, from 8 am to 10 am, and the Subcommittee on Prevention Through People will meet on Wednesday, November 7, 2001 from 10 am to 12 midday. These meetings may