

held upon completion of the draft EIS. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the public meetings and public hearing. The draft EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearing.

Another public information meeting will be held to identify significant issues to be addressed in the tiered environmental impact statement. The date and location of the meeting have not yet been determined but will be advertised in various local media.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues are identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA or Iowa Department of Transportation at the address provided in the caption **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

(Authority: 23 U.S.C. 315; 49 CFR 1.48)

Dated: May 26, 2009.

Lubin M. Quinones,
Division Administrator, FHWA, Iowa
Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD 2009 0048]

Notice of Ship Disposal: SS Pioneer Commander

The Maritime Administration plans to dispose of the obsolete vessel SS *Pioneer Commander*, which is currently located at its Beaumont Reserve Fleet in Beaumont, Texas. The Maritime Administration, in consultation with the Texas Historical Commission, determined that the vessel is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places due to its role in a pivotal moment in U.S. history; the evacuation of more than 44,000 Americans, Vietnamese military and refugees from South Vietnam in 1975. This operation signaled the close of America's long involvement in Vietnam.

The National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2004, Section 3512 of Public Law 108-136, authorizes the

Maritime Administration to afford qualified public and non-profit organizations the opportunity to obtain, via donation, obsolete ships from the National Defense Reserve Fleet (NDRF) for use as memorials and/or in other non-commercial enterprises.

The Maritime Administration will accept completed donation applications for the SS *Pioneer Commander* from qualified organizations in accordance with the Ship Donation Program Requirements for a period of 45 days beginning June 1, 2009. For more information visit the Marad Ship Donation Program at <http://www.marad.dot.gov> or contact Mr. Kevin Smith at 202-366-3798 or via e-mail at kevin.r.smith@dot.gov.

Dated: May 18, 2009.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.
Christine Gurland,
Acting Secretary, Maritime Administration.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Community Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Matching Grant Program—Availability of Application Packages

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This document provides notice of the availability of application packages for the 2010 Community Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Matching Grant Program.

DATES: Application packages are available from the IRS at this time. The deadline for submitting an application to the IRS is July 17, 2009. Electronic copies of the application package can be obtained by visiting: <http://www.irs.gov> (key word search—"VITA Grant"). Application packages may also be requested by sending an e-mail to Grant.Program.Office@irs.gov. Applications must be submitted by mail. The mailing address is listed below. Applications will not be accepted via grants.gov due to the expected increase in system activity resulting from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

ADDRESSES: Application packages should be mailed to: Internal Revenue Service, Grant Program Office, 401 West Peachtree St., NW., Stop 420-D, Atlanta, GA 30308.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Grant Program Office (404) 338-7894 (not a toll free number). The e-mail address is Grant.Program.Office@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Authority for the 2010 Community Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Matching Grant Demonstration Program for tax return preparation is contained in H. R. 1105 Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009 (Division D—Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2009).

Dated: May 12, 2009.

Elizabeth Blair,
Chief, Grant Program Office.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Advisory Group to the Internal Revenue Service; Tax Exempt and Government Entities Division (TE/GE); Meeting

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Advisory Committee on Tax Exempt and Government Entities (ACT) will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, June 10, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Steven J. Pyrek, Director, TE/GE Communications and Liaison; 1111 Constitution Ave., NW.; SE:T:CL—Penn Bldg; Washington, DC 20224.
Telephone: 202-283-9966 (not a toll-free number). *E-mail address:* Steve.J.Pyrek@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By notice herein given, pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988), a public meeting of the ACT will be held on Wednesday, June 10, 2009, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Internal Revenue Service; 1111 Constitution Ave., NW.; Room 3313; Washington, DC. Issues to be discussed relate to Employee Plans, Exempt Organizations, and Government Entities. Due to an administrative error, less than 15 days notice is provided for this meeting.

Reports from four ACT subgroups cover the following topics:

- *Exempt Organizations:* Recommendations to Improve the Tax Rules Governing International Grantmaking.
- *Employee Plans:* International Pension Issues in a Global Economy: A Survey and Assessment of IRS' Role in Breaking Down the Barriers.

- **Tax Exempt Bonds:** Record Retention Requirements for Tax-Exempt Bonds and Tax Credit Bonds: A Specific Proposal for Published Guidance.

- **Federal, State and Local Governments:** Federal-State-Local Government Compliance Verification Checklist for Public Employers

Last minute agenda changes may preclude advance notice. Due to limited seating and security requirements, attendees must call Cynthia PhillipsGrady to confirm their attendance. Ms. PhillipsGrady can be reached at (202) 283-9954.

Attendees are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes before the meeting begins to allow sufficient time for security clearance. Picture identification must be presented. Please use the main entrance at 1111 Constitution Ave., NW., to enter the building. Should you wish the ACT to consider a written statement, please call (202) 283-9966, or write to: Internal Revenue Service; 1111 Constitution Ave., NW.; SE:T:CL—Penn Bldg; Washington, DC 20224, or e-mail Steve.J.Pyrek@irs.gov.

Dated: May 20, 2009.

Steven J. Pyrek,

Designated Federal Official, Tax Exempt and Government Entities Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) Program Availability of Application Packages

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This document provides notice of the availability of Application Packages for the 2010 Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) Program.

DATES: Application Packages are available from the IRS at this time. The deadline for submitting an application package to the IRS for the 2010 Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) Program is August 3, 2009. Applications must be submitted via hardcopy by the United States Postal Service, mail, or private delivery service by the deadline date.

Applications will not be accepted electronically through *Grants.gov*, due to the increased system activity expected resulting from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

ADDRESSES: Application Packages may be requested by contacting: Internal

Revenue Service, 401 W. Peachtree St., NW., Stop 420-D, Atlanta, GA 30308, Attention: Tax Counseling for the Elderly Grant Program Office.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The TCE Grant Program Office at the non-toll-free telephone number (404) 338-7894 or by e-mail at tce.grant.office@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Authority for the Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) Program is contained in Section 163 of the Revenue Act of 1978, Public Law 95-600, (92 Stat. 12810), November 6, 1978. Regulations were published in the **Federal Register** at 44 FR 72113 on December 13, 1979. Section 163 gives the IRS authority to enter into cooperative agreements with private or public non-profit agencies or organizations to establish a network of trained volunteers to provide free tax information and return preparation assistance to elderly individuals. Elderly individuals are defined as individuals age 60 and over at the close of their taxable year.

Cooperative agreements will be entered into based upon competition among eligible agencies and organizations. Because applications are being solicited before the FY 2010 budget has been approved, cooperative agreements will be entered into subject to appropriation of funds. Once funded, sponsoring agencies and organizations will receive a grant from the IRS for administrative expenses and to reimburse volunteers for expenses incurred in training and in providing tax return assistance. The Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) Program is referenced in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance in Section 21.006.

Dated: May 13, 2009.

Elizabeth Blair,

Chief, Grant Program Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-New (NSV)]

Agency Information Collection (National Survey of Veterans, Active Duty Service Members, Activated National Guard and Reserve Members, Family Members and Survivors) Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Office of Policy and Planning, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), this notice announces that the Office of Policy and Planning (OPP), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted the collection of information as abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before July 1, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through <http://www.Regulations.gov>; or to VA's OMB Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control 2900-New (NSV)" in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Denise McLamb, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 461-7485, FAX (202) 273-0443 or e-mail: denise.mclamb@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-New (NSV)".

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: National Survey of Veterans, Active Duty Service Members, Activated National Guard and Reserve Members, Family Members and Survivors (NSV).

OMB Control Number: 2900-New (NSV).

Type of Review: New collection.

Abstract: The NSV will be conducted to obtain needed information that is not available in VA administrative files. The survey will be used to help VA improve services for beneficiaries and their families. For the first time, the NSV will include active duty service members; activated National Guard and Reserves; and family members and survivors in addition to veterans. The scope of the survey will be expanded to address the requirements of Public Law 108-454, section 805, to assess awareness of veterans' benefits and services. The NSV provides VA, Congress, stakeholders, and the public more accurate descriptions and assessments of the characteristics of the veteran population to evaluate existing programs and policies, to establish baseline measures before planning and implementing new programs and policies, and to monitor progress of programs and policies and their impacts on the population. The NSV will provide information to support VA policy, planning, and quality improvement decisions.