facilities to PAOHT than those provided to SSAT. Specifically, Complainant alleges that Respondent has violated the Shipping Act by: (1) Imposing an undue or unreasonable prejudice or disadvantage with respect to SSAT; (2) giving an undue or unreasonable preference or advantage to PAOHT; (3) refusing to deal or negotiate with SSAT; and (4) failing to establish, observe and enforce just and reasonable regulations and practices relating to or connected with receiving, handling and storing or delivering property. 46 U.S.C. 41106(2) and (3) and 41102(c). Complainant maintains that, as a consequence of the Port's agreement with PAOHT, Complainant has sustained and continues to incur injuries and damages, including lost business and higher rents, and other payments and obligations to the Respondent, thereby suffering damages in the millions of dollars.

Complainant requests that the Commission require Respondent to answer the charges in this Complaint, cease and desist from engaging in violations of the Shipping Act, and put in force such practices as the Commission determines to be lawful and reasonable. Complainant also requests that an order be issued requiring Respondent to pay SSAT reparations for violations of the Shipping Act, including the amount of the actual injury, plus interest, costs and attorney fees, and any other damages to be determined; and that the Commission order any such other relief as it determines appropriate. Complainant requests that a hearing be held in Washington, DC.

This proceeding has been assigned to the Office of Administrative Law Judges. Hearing in this matter, if any is held, shall commence within the time limitations prescribed in 46 CFR 502.61, and only after consideration has been given by the parties and the presiding officer to the use of alternative forms of dispute resolution. The hearing shall include oral testimony and crossexamination in the discretion of the presiding officer only upon proper showing that there are genuine issues of material fact that cannot be resolved on the basis of sworn statements, affidavits, depositions, or other documents or that the nature of the matter in issue is such that an oral hearing and crossexamination are necessary for the development of an adequate record. Pursuant to the further terms of 46 CFR 502.61, the initial decision of the presiding officer in this proceeding shall be issued by December 28, 2010, and the final decision of the Commission shall be issued by April 27, 2011.

Karen V. Gregory,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Ocean Transportation Intermediary License Applicants

Notice is hereby given that the following applicants have filed with the Federal Maritime Commission an application for license as a Non-Vessel-Operating Common Carrier and Ocean Freight Forwarder—Ocean Transportation Intermediary pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 as amended (46 U.S.C. app. 1718 and 46 CFR 515).

Persons knowing of any reason why the following applicants should not receive a license are requested to contact the Office of Transportation Intermediaries, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573.

Non-Vessel-Operating Common Carrier Ocean Transportation Intermediary Applicants:

Braid Logistics (North America), Inc., 5642 Shirley Lane, Houston, TX 77032, Officer: Michael Ng, Treasurer, (Qualifying Individual).

PNX Global, Inc. dba Terramar Logistics Int'l, 2065 Venice Blvd., Ste. C, Los Angeles, CA 90006, Officers: Chul H. Choi, CEO, (Qualifying Individual). Kyu H. Whang, CFO.

SBB International Shipping LLC, 100 Plaza Drive, Ste. 102, Secaucus, NJ 07094, Officer: Ozgur Cebioglu, Manager, (Qualifying Individual).

Sky Express World Courier, Inc., 1740 S. Los Angeles Street, Ste. 201, Los Angeles, CA 90015, Officers: Gyou H. Ahn, Secretary, (Qualifying Individual). Hyoungtae Kim, CEO.

Pentagon Freight, Inc., 2113 Treeridge Circle, Brea, CA 92821, Officers: Jenny Jie Kang Yang, CEO, (Qualifying Individual). Bao Chen, Vice President.

Non-Vessel—Operating Common Carrier and Ocean Freight Forwarder Transportation Intermediary Applicants:

SBB International Shipping LLC, 100 Plaza Drive, Ste. 102, Secaucus, NJ 07094, Officer: Ozgur Cebioglu, Manager, (Qualifying Individual).

USKO Shipping, 4021 Hillswood Dr., Sacramento, CA 95821, Roman Z. Skots, Sole Proprietor. Group JDS, Inc., 790 NW. 107 Ave.,

- Ste. 306, Miami, FL 33172, Officer: Jorge L. Castano, President, (Qualifying Individual).
- Total Commerce Corp. dba Pentabox, 3410 NW. 73 Avenue, Miami, FL 33122, Officer: Carmen G. Mayer, President, (Qualifying Individual).
- ALO Enterprise Corporation, 225 Chambers Street, Trenton, NJ 08609, Officers: Amr M. Rihan, CEO, (Qualifying Individual). Fida Dahrouj, Vice President.
- Ace Relocation Systems, Inc., 5608 Eastgate Drive, San Diego, CA 92121, Officer: Daniel J. Lammers, Vice President, (Qualifying Individual).
- Omnitrans Corp., Ltd., 111 Broadway, Ste. 1705B, New York, NY 10006, Hermann V. AmsZ, Sole Proprietor.
- Assure Shipping, LLC, 9462 Stevens Ave., So., Bloomington, MN 55420, Officer: Jane Mahowald, CEO, (Qualifying Individual).
- Megatrans Logistics, Inc. dba Orion, International Mega-Logistics, 2129 NW. 86th Avenue, Doral, FL 33122, Officers: Lilian D. Cobo, Secretary, (Qualifying Individual). Lilian M. Cobo, President.
- Azap Motors Inc., 5433 Buffalo Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32208, Officer: Ali Y. Hussein, President, (Qualifying Individual).
- Commodity Forwarders, Inc., 11101 S. La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90045, Officers: Chris A. Connell, President, (Qualifying Individual). Alfred Kuehlewind, CEO.
- Barthco International, Inc., dba OHL— International, 5101 S. Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19112, Officers: Ed M. Piza, Vice President, (Qualifying Individual). Scott McWilliams, CEO.
- Ocean Freight Forwarder—Ocean Transportation Intermediary Applicants:
 - D. Hauser, Inc., 1555 Fording Island Rd., Ste. E, Hilton Head, SC 29926, Officer: Michael J. Bonvissuto, Jr., Exec. V. President. (Qualifying Individual).
 - SBB Shipping USA Inc., 100 Plaza Drive, 1st Floor, Secaucus, NJ 07094, Officer: Ozgur Cebioglu, Treasurer, (Qualifying Individual).
 - Daniel L. Vesque LCHB, 100 Plaza Drive, Ste. 102, Secaucus, NJ 07094, Daniel L. Vesque, Sole Proprietor.
 - Total Global Solutions, Inc., 4290 Bells Ferry Road, Ste. #224, Kennesaw, GA 30144, Officer: Tomomi Hamamura, CFO, (Qualifying Individual).

Dated: December 24, 2009.

Karen V. Gregory,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Charges For Certain Disclosures

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission. **ACTION:** Notice Regarding Charges for Certain Disclosures.

SUMMARY: The Federal Trade Commission announces that the ceiling on allowable charges under Section 612(f) of the Fair Credit Reporting Act ("FCRA") will decrease from \$11.00 to \$10.50 effective January 1, 2010. Under 1996 amendments to the FCRA, the Federal Trade Commission is required to increase the \$8.00 amount referred to in paragraph (1)(A)(i) of Section 612(f) on January 1 of each year, based proportionally on changes in the Consumer Price Index ("CPI"), with fractional changes rounded to the nearest fifty cents. The CPI increased 33.98 percent between September 1997, the date the FCRA amendments took effect, and September 2009. This increase in the CPI, and the requirement that any increase be rounded to the nearest fifty cents, results in a maximum allowable charge of \$10.50 effective January 1, 2010.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2010. **ADDRESSES:** Federal Trade Commission, Washington, DC 20580.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Clarke W. Brinckerhoff, Bureau of Consumer Protection, 202-326-3208, or Keith B. Anderson, Bureau of Economics, Federal Trade Commission, Washington, DC 20580, 202–326–3428.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 612(f)(1)(A) of the Fair Credit Reporting Act, which became effective in 1997, provides that a consumer reporting agency may charge a consumer a reasonable amount for making a disclosure to the consumer pursuant to Section 609 of the Act.¹ The law states that, where a consumer reporting agency is permitted to impose a reasonable charge on a consumer for making a disclosure to the consumer pursuant to Section 609, the charge shall not exceed \$8.00 and shall be indicated to the

consumer before making the disclosure. Section 612(f)(2) states that the Federal Trade Commission ("the Commission") shall increase the \$8.00 maximum amount on January 1 of each year, based proportionally on changes in the Consumer Price Index, with fractional changes rounded to the nearest fifty cents.

Section 211(a)(2) of the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act of 2003 ("FACT Act") added a new Section 612(a) to the FCRA that gives consumers the right to request free annual disclosures once every 12 months. The maximum allowable charge established by this Notice does not apply to requests made under that provision. The charge does apply when a consumer who orders a file disclosure has already received a free annual disclosure and does not otherwise qualify for an additional free disclosure.

The Commission considers the \$8.00 amount referred to in paragraph (1)(A)(i) of Section 612(f) to be the baseline for the effective ceiling on reasonable charges dating from the effective date of the amended FCRA, i.e., September 30, 1997. Each year the Commission calculates the proportional increase in the Consumer Price Index (using the most general CPI, which is for all urban consumers, all items) from September 1997 to September of the current year. The Commission then determines what modification, if any, from the original base of \$8.00 should be made effective on January 1 of the subsequent year. given the requirement that fractional changes be rounded to the nearest fifty

Between September 1997 and September 2009, the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers and all items increased by 33.98 percent – from an index value of 161.2 in September 1997 to a value of 215.969 in September 2009. An increase of 33.98 percent in the \$8.00 base figure would lead to a new figure of \$10.72. However, because the statute directs that the resulting figure be rounded to the nearest \$0.50, the maximum allowable charge should be \$10.50.

The Commission therefore determines that the maximum allowable charge for the year 2010 will be \$10.50.

By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark

Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Decision To Evaluate a Petition To Designate a Class of Employees for the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, CA, To Be Included in the Special Exposure Cohort

AGENCY: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HHS gives notice as required by 42 CFR 83.12(e) of a decision to evaluate a petition to designate a class of employees for the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, California, to be included in the Special Exposure Cohort under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000. The initial proposed definition for the class being evaluated, subject to revision as warranted by the evaluation, is as follows:

Facility: Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory.

Location: Berkeley, California. Job Titles and/or Job Duties: All employees of the Department of Energy, its predecessor agencies, and their contractors and subcontractors.

Period of Employment: August 13, 1942 through December 31, 1961.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stuart L. Hinnefeld, Interim Director, Office of Compensation Analysis and Support, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), 4676 Columbia Parkway, MS C–46, Cincinnati, OH 45226, Telephone 513–533–6800 (this is not a toll-free number). Information requests can also be submitted by e-mail to OCAS@CDC.GOV.

John Howard,

Director, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Decision To Evaluate a Petition To Designate a Class of Employees for the Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Bloomfield, NJ, To Be Included in the Special Exposure Cohort

AGENCY: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

¹This provision, originally Section 612(a), was added to the FCRA in September 1996 and became effective in September 1997. It was relabeled Section 612(f) by Section 211(a)(1) of the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act of 2003 ("FACT Act"), Public Law 108-159, which was signed into law on December 4, 2003.