

environmentally preferable over Alternative C.

### Decision

TVA has decided to implement the preferred alternative identified in the Final EIS, Alternative B—Permanent Modifications of Dam Structures: Combination of Concrete Floodwalls and Earthen Embankments. This alternative was selected over Alternative C—Permanent Modification of Dam Structures: All Concrete Floodwalls because of the reduced long-term impacts and slightly lower construction costs. Alternative B also eliminates the need for gap closure barriers between floodwall segments.

### Mitigation Measures

TVA would use appropriate best management practices during all phases of construction and maintenance associated with the proposed action. TVA would also establish the necessary traffic controls such as use of warning signs, flagmen, and lane closures during construction and maintenance activities in order to minimize traffic and safety impacts. In order to minimize impacts to potential habitat for the endangered Indiana bat, TVA would comply with the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. These terms include delaying the removal of suitable roost trees where feasible until after July 31, surveying for the presence of the bats before removing suitable roost trees prior to July 31, and the mitigation payment of \$13,986 to the Indiana Bat Conservation Fund.

Dated: July 2, 2013.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee; Public Teleconference

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee Teleconference.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C. App. 2), notice is hereby given of a teleconference of

the Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee (COMSTAC).

**DATES:** The teleconference will take place on Tuesday, September 24, 2013. The teleconference will begin at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time and will last approximately one hour. The presentation and call-in number will be posted at least one week in advance at <http://www.ast.faa.gov/>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul Eckert (AST-3), Office of Commercial Space Transportation (AST), 800 Independence Avenue SW., Room 331, Washington, DC 20591, telephone (202) 267-8655; Email [paul.eckert@faa.gov](mailto:paul.eckert@faa.gov). Complete information regarding COMSTAC is available on the FAA Web site at: [http://www.faa.gov/about/office\\_org/headquarters\\_offices/ast/advisory\\_committee/](http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/ast/advisory_committee/).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this teleconference is to assist the FAA in its development of guidelines for the safety of occupants of commercial suborbital and orbital spacecraft. On July 31, 2013, the FAA submitted to COMSTAC a draft document on Established Practices for Human Space Flight Occupant Safety for its review and comment. The document is intended to continue the conversation that we have had with COMSTAC on commercial human space flight occupant safety. The document provides what we believe are occupant safety measures that have historically proven to be worth doing for most human space flight system concepts. We plan to submit to COMSTAC a companion document in mid-September that will provide rationale for each established practice in the draft. In this teleconference the FAA will introduce these two documents, entertain early feedback from COMSTAC members, and discuss a way ahead.

Interested members of the public may submit relevant written statements for COMSTAC members to consider under the advisory process. Statements may concern the issues and agenda items mentioned above or additional issues that may be relevant for the U.S. commercial space transportation industry. Interested parties wishing to submit written statements should contact Paul Eckert, Designated Federal Officer (the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section), in writing (mail or email) by September 17, 2013. This way the information can be made available to COMSTAC members for their review and consideration before the teleconference. Written statements should be supplied in the following formats: one hard copy

with original signature or one electronic copy via email.

Individuals who plan to participate and need special assistance should inform the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section in advance of the meeting.

Issued in Washington, DC, on August 16, 2013.

**George C. Nield,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee; Open Meeting

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee Open Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C. App. 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee (COMSTAC). The meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 9, 2013, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Thursday, October 10, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the National Housing Center, 1201 15th Street NW., Washington, DC 20005. This will be the 58th meeting of the COMSTAC.

The proposed schedule for the COMSTAC working group meetings on October 9 is below:

- Operations (8:00 a.m.–10:00 a.m.)
- Business/Legal (10:00 a.m.–12:00 a.m.)
- Systems (1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.)
- International Policy (3:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.)

The full Committee will meet on October 10. The meeting will address general issues relevant to the commercial space transportation industry, as well as reports and recommendations from the working groups.

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