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Background

The FHWA's Buy America policy in 23 CFR 635.410 requires a domestic manufacturing process for any steel or iron products (including protective coatings) that are permanently incorporated in a Federal-aid construction project. The regulation also provides for a waiver of the Buy America requirements when the application would be inconsistent with the public interest or when satisfactory quality domestic steel and iron products are not sufficiently available. This notice provides information regarding the FHWA's findings that a Buy America waiver is appropriate for a span lock linear electric actuator in the State of New York.

In accordance with section 130 of Division K of the "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008" (Pub. L. 110-161), the FHWA published on its Web site a notice of intent to issue a Buy America waiver for the span lock linear electric actuator in New York <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/construction/contracts/waivers.cfm?id=28> on February 4. The FHWA received one comment in response to the span lock linear electric actuator. The comment was "Buy America needs to be maintained in every instance possible." During the 15-day comment period, the FHWA conducted an additional nationwide review to locate potential domestic manufacturers for the product. Based on all the information available to the agency, including the response received to the notice as well as the Agency's nationwide review, the FHWA concludes that there are no domestic manufacturers for the span lock linear electric actuator.

In accordance with the provisions of section 117 of the "SAFETEA-LU Technical Corrections Act of 2008" (Pub. L. 110-244, 122 Stat. 1572), the FHWA is providing this notice as its finding that a waiver of the Buy America requirements is appropriate pursuant to 23 CFR 635.410(c)(1). The FHWA invites public comment on this finding for an additional 15 days following the effective date of the finding. Comments may be submitted to the FHWA's Web site via the link provided to the New York waiver page noted above.

(Authority: 23 U.S.C. 313; Pub. L. 110-161, 23 CFR 635.410.)

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA-2000-7257; Notice No. 51]

Railroad Safety Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Announcement of Railroad Safety Advisory Committee (RSAC) Meeting.

SUMMARY: FRA announces the thirty-eighth meeting of the RSAC, a Federal Advisory Committee that develops railroad safety regulations through a consensus process. The RSAC meeting topics will include opening remarks from the FRA Acting Deputy Administrator, and status reports will be provided by the following Working Groups: Positive Train Control, Hours of Service, Passenger Safety, Locomotive Safety Standards, Railroad Bridge Safety, Medical Standards, Railroad Operating Rules, and Track Safety Standards. The Committee may be asked to approve recommendations concerning a final rule on revision of recordkeeping and reporting requirements for hours of service of safety-critical railroad employees. The Committee may be asked to approve a proposed rule on Railroad Bridge Safety and to consent to a mail ballot on recommendations for a proposed rule on Positive Train Control. The Committee may also be asked to accept a Task concerning hours of service for train, engine and yard employees of intercity and commuter passenger railroads. This agenda is subject to change, including the possible addition of further proposed tasks under the Rail Safety and Improvement Act of 2008.

DATES: The meeting of the RSAC is scheduled to commence at 9:30 a.m. and will adjourn by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 2, 2009.

ADDRESSES: The RSAC meeting will be held at the Washington Marriott Hotel, located at 1221 22nd Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005. The meeting is open to the public on a first-come, first-serve basis, and is accessible to individuals with disabilities. Sign and oral interpretation can be made

available if requested 10 calendar days before the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), FRA is giving notice of a meeting of the RSAC. The RSAC was established to provide advice and recommendations to the FRA on railroad safety matters. The RSAC is composed of 54 voting representatives from 31 member organizations, representing various rail industry perspectives. In addition, there are non-voting advisory representatives from the agencies with railroad safety regulatory responsibility in Canada and Mexico, the National Transportation Safety Board, and the Federal Transit Administration. The diversity of the Committee ensures the requisite range of views and expertise necessary to discharge its responsibilities. See the RSAC Web site for details on pending tasks at: <http://rsac.fra.dot.gov/>. Please refer to the notice published in the **Federal Register** on March 11, 1996, 61 FR 9740) for additional information about the RSAC.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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[Docket No. FRA-2000-7257; Notice No. 52]

Railroad Safety Advisory Committee; Working Group Activity Update

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Announcement of Railroad Safety Advisory Committee (RSAC) Working Group Activities.

SUMMARY: The FRA is updating its announcement of RSAC's Working Group activities to reflect its current status.

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