

reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues,<sup>2</sup> formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2),<sup>3</sup> and trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by August 6, 2007. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by August 16, 2007, with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001.

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to CSXT's representative: Steven C. Armbrust, Esq., CSX Transportation, Inc., 500 Water Street, J-150, Jacksonville, FL 32202.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*.

CSXT has filed environmental and historic reports addressing the effects, if any, of the abandonment on the environment and historic resources. SEA will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by August 3, 2007. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA by writing to SEA (Room 1100, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423-0001) or by calling SEA, at (202) 245-0305. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.] Comments on environmental and historic preservation matters must be filed within 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public.

Environmental, historic preservation, public use, or trail use/rail banking conditions will be imposed, where appropriate, in a subsequent decision.

Pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), CSXT shall file a notice of consummation with the Board to signify that it has exercised the authority granted and fully abandoned the line. If consummation has not been effected by CSXT's filing of a notice of consummation by July 27, 2008, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

<sup>2</sup> The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised by a party or by the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemption's effective date. See *Exemption of Out-of-Service Rail Lines*, 5 I.C.C.2d 377 (1989). Any request for a stay should be filed as soon as possible so that the Board may take appropriate action before the exemption's effective date.

<sup>3</sup> Each OFA must be accompanied by the filing fee, which currently is set at \$1,300. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at: <http://www.stb.dot.gov>.

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By the Board, David M. Konschnik, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission; Notice of Meetings

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission will hold meetings on August 8-10, 2007 and August 22-24, 2007, at the Hotel Washington, 15th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. On August 8 and August 22, the sessions will begin at 10 a.m. and end at 4:30-5:30 p.m. On August 9 and August 23, the sessions will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 4:30-5:30 p.m. On August 10 and August 24, the sessions will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 12 noon-3 p.m. depending on the final agenda for each session. Each meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Commission is to carry out a study of the benefits under the laws of the United States that are provided to compensate and assist veterans and their survivors for disabilities and deaths attributable to military service.

The agenda for the first August meeting will feature the final report of the Center of Naval Analyses (CNA) and a report of the Institute of Medicine (IOM) Committee on Presumptions. The Commission will review technical comments from VA and make final decisions on three Issues Papers related to specific Research Questions approved by the Commission on October 14, 2005. The topics will be: Transition Issues (addressing Research Questions 26-31), Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Research Question 17), and Ancillary and Special Purpose Benefits (Research Question 20). VA and the Department of Defense (DoD) will respond to the report of the IOM Committee on Medical Evaluation of Veterans for Disability, and the Commission will decide its position on the two IOM studies and recommendations made to VA on the topic of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). Additional discussions and

potential decisions will be reached on options to achieve equity in lifetime benefits, integrating the findings of various studies and research projects conducted for the Commission, and drafting the Commission's final report.

The agenda for the second August meeting will be devoted to drafting the Commission's final report and may include a limited number of clarifying presentations on topics the Commission requires to complete its final report.

There will be time set aside at each meeting for public comments. Interested persons may attend and present oral statements to the Commission on August 8 or August 22. Oral presentations will be limited to five minutes or less. Interested parties may also provide written comments for review by the Commission prior to the meeting or at any time, by e-mail to [veterans@vetscommission.com](mailto:veterans@vetscommission.com) or by mail to Mr. Ray Wilburn, Executive Director, Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission, 1101 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., 5th Floor, Washington, DC 20004.

Dated: July 23, 2007.

By direction of the Secretary:

E. Philip Riggins,

Committee Management Officer.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### Clinical Laboratory Improvement Advisory Committee (CLIAC)

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following meeting for the aforementioned committee:

#### Times and Dates:

8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., September 5, 2007.

8:30 a.m.-3 p.m., September 6, 2007.

Place: CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Tom Harkin Global Communications Center, Building 19, Room 232, Auditorium B, Atlanta, Georgia 30333.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 100 people.

Purpose: This Committee is charged with providing scientific and technical advice and guidance to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Assistant Secretary for Health, and the Director, CDC, regarding the need for, and the nature of, revisions to the standards under which clinical laboratories are regulated; the impact on medical and laboratory practice of proposed revisions to