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Written comments submitted in response to this request will be placed in a file open to public inspection pursuant to 15 CFR 2003.5, except business confidential information exempt from public inspection in accordance with 15 CFR 2003.6. Business confidential information submitted in accordance with 15 CFR 2003.6 must be clearly marked "BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL" at the top of each page, including any cover letter or cover page, and must be accompanied by a nonconfidential summary of the confidential information. All public documents and nonconfidential summaries shall be available for public inspection in the USTR Reading Room in Room 3 of the Annex of the Office of the USTR, 1724 F Street, NW., Washington, DC. The USTR Reading Room is open to the public, by appointment only, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. An appointment to review the file must be scheduled at least 48 hours in advance and may be made by calling (202) 395-6186.

General information concerning the Office of the United States Trade Representative may be obtained by accessing its Internet Web site (<http://www.ustr.gov>).

**Carmen Suro-Bredie,**

*Chair, Trade Policy Staff Committee.*

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## OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

### Trade Policy Staff Committee; Initiation of Environmental Review of U.S.-United Arab Emirates (UAE) Free Trade Negotiations; Public Comments on Scope of Environmental Review

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** This publication gives notice that, pursuant to the Trade Act of 2002, and consistent with Executive Order 13141 (64 FR 63169) (Nov. 18, 1999) and its implementing guidelines (65 FR 79442), the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR), through the Trade Policy Staff Committee (TPSC), is initiating an environmental review of the proposed United States-UAE Free Trade Agreement. The TPSC is requesting written comments from the public on what should be included in the scope of the environmental review, including the potential environmental effects that might flow from the free trade agreement and the potential implications for U.S. environmental laws and regulations, and identification of complementarities between trade and environmental objectives such as the promotion of sustainable development. The TPSC also welcomes public views on appropriate methodologies and sources of data for conducting the review. Persons submitting written comments should provide as much detail as possible on the degree to which the subject matter they propose for inclusion in the review may raise significant environmental issues in the context of the negotiation.

**DATES:** Public comments should be received no later than February 25, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** *Submissions by electronic mail:* [FR0509@ustr.gov](mailto:FR0509@ustr.gov).

*Submissions by facsimile:* Gloria Blue, Executive Secretary, Trade Policy Staff Committee, at (202) 395-6143.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For procedural questions concerning public comments, contact Gloria Blue, Executive Secretary, TPSC, Office of the USTR, 1724 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20508, telephone (202) 395-3475.

Questions concerning the environmental review should be addressed to Jennifer Prescott or David J. Brooks, Environment and Natural Resources Section, USTR, telephone (202) 395-7320.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

## 1. Background Information

On November 15, 2004, in accordance with section 2104(a)(1) of the Trade Act of 2002, the United States Trade Representative, Ambassador Robert B. Zoellick, notified Congress of the President's intent to enter into trade negotiations with the UAE. Ambassador Zoellick outlined specific U.S. objectives for these negotiations in the notification letters to Congress. Copies of the letters are available at [http://www.ustr.gov/Document\\_Library/Press\\_Releases/2004/November/U.S.\\_Announces\\_Intent\\_to\\_Negotiate\\_FTAs\\_with\\_UAE\\_Oman.html](http://www.ustr.gov/Document_Library/Press_Releases/2004/November/U.S._Announces_Intent_to_Negotiate_FTAs_with_UAE_Oman.html).

In addition to this request for public comments, the TPSC also has invited the public to provide written comments and/or oral testimony at a public hearing that will take place on January 14, 2005. The purpose of the hearing is to assist USTR in amplifying and clarifying negotiating objectives for the proposed FTA and to provide advice on how specific goods and services and other matters should be treated under the proposed agreement (*see* 67 FR 70500, December 6, 2004). USTR will take into account in the environmental review any public comments or testimony on UAE FTA environmental issues submitted in response to the December 6 notice.

## 2. Environmental Review

USTR, through the TPSC, will perform an environmental review of the agreement pursuant to the Trade Act of 2002 and consistent with Executive Order 13141 (64 FR 63169) and its implementing guidelines (65 FR 79442).

Environmental reviews are used to identify potentially significant, reasonably foreseeable environmental impacts (both positive and negative), and information from the review can help facilitate consideration of appropriate responses where impacts are identified. Reviews address potential environmental impacts of the proposed agreement and potential implications for environmental laws and regulations. The focus of the review is on impacts in the United States, although global and transboundary impacts may be considered, where appropriate and prudent.

## 3. Requirements for Submissions

In order to facilitate prompt processing of submissions, USTR strongly urges and prefers electronic (e-mail) submissions in response to this notice. In the event that an e-mail submission is impossible, submissions should be made by facsimile.

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*Chair, Trade Policy Staff Committee.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Announcement of FAA Advisory Circular (AC) 145-RSTP (Draft), Repair Station Training Program

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of AC, and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the availability of and requests comments on AC 145-RSTP that provides guidance on eligibility, application, and selection for the repair station training program.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before January 21, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Send all comments on AC 145-RSTP to Mr. Herbert E. Daniel, Aircraft Maintenance Division, General Aviation and Repair Station Branch (AFS-340), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20591; facsimile (202) 267-5115; e-mail [Herbert.E.Daniel@faa.gov](mailto:Herbert.E.Daniel@faa.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Herbert E. Daniel, AFS-340, at the address, facsimile, or e-mail listed above, or by telephone at (202) 267-3109; or Mr. Dan Bachelder, AFS-340, at the address or facsimile listed above or e-mail [Dan.Bachelder@faa.gov](mailto:Dan.Bachelder@faa.gov) or by telephone at (202) 267-7027.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Comments Invited

The proposed AC 145-RSTP is available on the FAA's Regulatory Guidance Library Web site at: [http://www.airweb.faa.gov/Regulatory\\_and\\_Guidance\\_Library/rgDAC.nsf/MainFrame?OpenFrameSet](http://www.airweb.faa.gov/Regulatory_and_Guidance_Library/rgDAC.nsf/MainFrame?OpenFrameSet) under the Open for Comment link. Interested persons are invited to comment on the AC by submitting written data, views, or suggestions, as they may desire. Please identify AC 145-RSTP, Repair Station Training Program, and submit comments, either hardcopy or electronic, to the appropriate address listed above.

Issued in Washington, DC, on December 17, 2004.

**James J. Ballough,**

*Director, Flight Standards Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Aging Transport Systems Rulemaking Advisory Committee Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a public meeting of the FAA's Aging Transport Systems Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ATSRAC).

**DATES:** The ATSRAC will meet January 12 and 13, 2005, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. MST (10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. EST).

**ADDRESSES:** Sheraton Tucson Hotel & Suites, 5151 E. Grant Road, Tucson, AZ 85712.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Shirley Stroman, Office of Rulemaking, ARM-208, FAA, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267-7470; fax (202) 267-5075; or e-mail [shirley.stroman@faa.gov](mailto:shirley.stroman@faa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice announces a meeting of the Aging Transport Systems Rulemaking Advisory Committee. The FAA will hold the meeting at the location listed under the **ADDRESSES** heading of this notice. The meeting agenda will include the following topics:

- Small transport aircraft maintenance program development.
- Review and approval of HWG13 final report.
- Discussion of HWG12 recommendations.
- MMEL wiring issues.
- New requirements for design approval holders.
- Future of ATSRAC—New charter.

The meeting is open to the public; however, attendance will be limited by the size of the meeting room. The FAA will make the following services available if you request them by December 30, 2004.

- Teleconferencing.
- Sign and oral interpretation.
- A listening device.

Individuals using teleconferencing services and calling from outside the Washington, DC metropolitan area will be responsible for paying long-distance charges. To arrange for any of these services, contact the person listed under the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** heading.

The public may present written statements to the Committee by providing 20 copies to the Committee's Executive Director. Public statements at the meeting will be considered if time