DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[NHTSA Docket No. NHTSA–2009–0155]

National Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (NEMSAC); Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT)

ACTION: National Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (NEMSAC); Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting

SUMMARY: The NHTSA announces a meeting of NEMSAC to be held in the Metropolitan Washington, DC area. This notice announces the date, time and location of the meeting, which will be open to the public. The purpose of NEMSAC is to provide a nationally recognized council of emergency medical services representatives and consumers to provide advice and recommendations regarding Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to the U.S. DOT’s NHTSA.

DATES: The meeting will be held on September 29, 2009, from 8 a.m. to Noon, and September 30, 2009, from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. A public comment period will take place on September 29, 2009, between 11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

Comment Date: Written comments or requests to make oral presentations must be received by September 22, 2009.

Addresses: The meeting will be held at the Crystal Gateway Marriott, 1700 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202. Persons wishing to make an oral presentation or who are unable to attend or speak at the meeting may submit written comments. Written comments and requests to make oral presentations at the meeting should reach Drew Dawson at the address listed below and must be received by September 22, 2009.

All submissions received must include the docket number, NHTSA–2009–0155, and may be submitted by any one of the following methods: You may submit or retrieve comments online through the Document Management System (DMS) at http://www.regulations.gov/ under the docket number listed at the beginning of this notice. The DMS is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. Electronic submission and retrieval help guidelines are available under the help section of the Web site.


Please note that even after the comment closing date, we will continue to file relevant information in the docket as it becomes available.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92–463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 1 et seq.) The NEMSAC will be holding its seventh meeting on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 29 and 30, 2009, at the Crystal Gateway Marriott, 1700 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.


The tentative agenda includes the following:

Tuesday, September 29, 2009

(1) Opening Remarks;
(2) Introduction of Members and all in attendance;
(3) Review and Approval of Minutes of last Meeting;
(4) Committee Reports and Discussion/Action;
(5) Public Comment Period;
(6) New & Emerging Issues.

(Note: The NEMSAC Committees will hold their meetings the afternoon of the 29th—these are not part of the larger public meeting.)

Wednesday, September 30, 2009

(1) Introductions and Review of 29 September Discussion;
(2) Future Meetings;
(3) NHTSA and FICEMS Update
(4) H1N1 Flu Panel & Discussion;
(5) Unfinished Business from 29 September;
(6) Next Steps and Adjourn.

A public comment period will take place on September 29, 2009, between 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Public Attendance: The meeting is open to the public. Persons with disabilities who require special assistance should advise Drew Dawson of their anticipated special needs as early as possible. Members of the public who wish to make comments on Tuesday, September 29 between 11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. are requested to register in advance. In order to allow as many people as possible to speak, speakers are requested to limit their remarks to 3 minutes. For those wishing to submit written comments, please follow the procedure noted above.

This meeting will be open to the public. Individuals wishing to register must provide their name, affiliation, phone number, and e-mail address to Drew Dawson by e-mail at drew.dawson@dot.gov or by telephone at (202) 366–9966 no later than September 22, 2009. There will be limited seating, so please register early. Pre-registration is necessary to enable proper arrangements.

Minutes of the NEMSAC Meeting will be available to the public online through the DOT Document Management System (DMS) at: http://www.regulations.gov/ under the docket number listed at the beginning of this notice.
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[21455]

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

SUMMARY: FMCSA previously announced its decision to renew the exemptions from the vision requirement in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations for 7 individuals. FMCSA has statutory authority to exempt individuals from the vision requirement if the exemptions granted will not compromise safety. The Agency has concluded that granting these exemptions will provide a level of safety that is equivalent to, or greater than, the level of safety maintained before it was granted; or (3) continuation of the exemption would not be consistent with the goals and objectives of 49 U.S.C. 31136 and 31315.

Discussion of Comments

FMCSA received no comments in this proceeding.

Conclusion

The Agency has not received any adverse evidence on any of these drivers that indicates that safety is being compromised. Based upon its evaluation of the 7 renewal applications, FMCSA renews the Federal vision exemptions for Andrew B. Clayton, Kenneth D. Daniels, Donald M. Jenson, Dean A. Maystead, Donald L. Murphy, Carl V. Murphy, Jr., and Thomas D. Reynolds. In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, each renewal exemption will be valid for 2 years unless revoked earlier by FMCSA. The exemption will be revoked if: (1) The person fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the exemption; (2) the exemption has resulted in a lower level of safety than was maintained before it was granted; or (3) continuation of the exemption would not be consistent with the goals and objectives of 49 U.S.C. 31136 and 31315.

Issued on August 27, 2009.

Larry W. Minor,
Associate Administrator for Policy and Program Development.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Mary D. Gunnels, Director, Medical Programs, (202)–366–4001, fmcsamedical@dot.gov, FMCSA, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W64–224, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 35287]

The Indiana Rail Road Company—Trackage Rights Exemption—CSX Transportation, Inc.

Pursuant to a written trackage rights agreement entered into between CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT), and The Indiana Rail Road Company (INRD), CSXT has agreed to grant non-exclusive, limited overhead trackage rights to INRD over CSXT’s line of railroad between the connection of CSXT and INRD trackage at Sullivan, IN, at approximately CSXT milepost OZA 204.5, and the connection between CSXT’s line and tracks leading to the Oaktown Fuels Mine No. 1, LLC loading facility (Oaktown facility) at Oaktown, IN, at approximately CSXT milepost OZA 219.05, a distance of approximately 14.5 miles (Line).1

1 A portion of the subject line is also at issue in STB Finance Docket No. 35137, The Indiana Rail Road Company—Trackage Rights Exemption—CSX Transportation, Inc., which pertains to CSXT’s grant of non-exclusive, limited local trackage rights to INRD between mileposts OZA 204.5 and OZA 214.5. A revocation proceeding is pending.

According to INRD, the trackage rights will be used to permit INRD to move loaded coal trains and empty hopper trains: (1) between the Oaktown facility, located on the Line at approximately milepost OZA 219.05, and INRD’s interchange with Indiana Southern Railroad Company (ISRR) at Beehunter, IN, to the Vectren power plant at Culley, IN, and to the Indianapolis Power & Light’s (IP&L) power plant at Petersburg, IN, and (2) between the Oaktown facility and IP&L’s Harding Street power plant in Indianapolis, IN, located on INRD’s line.

The transaction is schedule to be consummated on September 17, 2009.

The purpose of the trackage rights is to permit INRD to move loaded coal trains and empty hopper trains in single-line service between the Oaktown facility and INRD’s interchange with ISRR at Beehunter for onward movement to the power plants at Culley and Petersburg, and also between the Oaktown facility and the power plant in Indianapolis, thus enhancing operational efficiency.2

As a condition to the exemption, any employees affected by the trackage rights will be protected by the conditions imposed in Norfolk and Western Ry. Co.—Trackage Rights—BN, 354 I.C.C. 605 (1978), as modified in Mendocino Coast Ry., Inc.—Lease and Operate, 360 I.C.C. 653 (1980).

This notice is filed under 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(7). If the notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the effectiveness of the exemption. Stay petitions must be filed by September 9, 2009 (at least 7 days before the exemption becomes effective).

Pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008, Public Law No. 110–161, § 193, 121 Stat. 1844 (2007), nothing in this decision authorizes the following activities at any solid waste rail transfer facility: collecting, storing, or transferring solid waste outside of its original shipping container; or separating or processing solid waste (including baling, crushing, compacting, and shredding). The term “solid waste” is defined in section 1004 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, 42 U.S.C. 6903.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance

2 The trackage rights at issue here were set forth as a supplemental agreement to a May 15, 2008 agreement between INRD and CSXT. See Exhibit 2 of INRD’s verified notice of exemption.