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(iii) Making determinations prescribed by Executive Order 12968 as amended by Executive Order 13467 and 32 CFR Part 147 relating to the adjudication and final denial of access to classified information to industry personnel.

(iv) Making those determinations or delegations prescribed by Executive Order 13526 that are reserved to the head of the Department.

(6) *Procurement.* Exercising the extraordinary authority for defense contracts provided for in Public Law 85-804 [(50 U.S.C. 1431-1435)].

(7) *Printing.* Requesting approval of the Joint Committee on Printing for any procurement or other action requiring Committee approval.

(8) *Interagency agreements.* Executing any written interdepartmental or interagency agreement with the head of another executive department or agency.

(9) *Withholding of funds.* Withholding or suspension of Federal-Aid Highway funds on a state-wide basis and the waiver or compromise of such withholding or suspension, except for the administration of 23 U.S.C. 141 and 154, which are specifically delegated in § 1.85 (FHWA) and § 1.95 (NHTSA).

(10) *National Highway Safety Advisory Committee.* Directing the National Highway Safety Advisory Committee to meet (23 U.S.C. 404(c)).

(11) *Maritime Subsidy Board.* Reviewing decisions, reports, orders and other actions of the Maritime Subsidy Board.

(12) *Cash purchases of passenger transportation.* The authority under Federal Property Management Regulation G-72, as amended, to authorize and approve cash purchases for emergency passenger transportation services costing more than \$100.

(13) *Solicitation of gifts.* The implied authority to solicit gifts associated with 49 U.S.C. 326(a).

(14) *Foreign travel.* Approving official travel outside of the United States.

(15) *United States Merchant Marine Academy.* Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 51303, the authority to appoint each year without competition as cadets at the United States Merchant Marine Academy not more than 40 qualified individuals with qualities the Secretary con-

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siders to be of special value to the Academy.

(16) *Challenges and Competitions.* Approving any challenge or competition administered by any office or Operating Administration of the Department.

(17) *Committees.* Approving the establishment, modification, extension, or termination of all advisory committees (including industry advisory committees) subject to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. App.), and the designation of Departmental representatives to those committees.

(18) *Credit assistance approval.* Granting final approval of applications for credit assistance under the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA), 23 U.S.C. 601-609.

§ 1.22 Deputy Secretary.

Along with the Secretary, the Deputy Secretary exercises oversight of all of the OST components, as well as each of the Operating Administrations, and overall planning, direction, and control of the Department's agenda. The Deputy Secretary:

(a) May exercise the authority of the Secretary, except where specifically limited by law, order, regulation, or instructions of the Secretary;

(b) Serves as the Chief Operating Officer; and

(c) Serves as the Chief Acquisition Officer.

§ 1.23 Delegations to the Deputy Secretary.

The Deputy Secretary may exercise the authority of the Secretary, except where specifically limited by law, order, regulations, or instructions of the Secretary. In addition, the Deputy Secretary is delegated authority to:

(a) Exercise executive control over Departmental Budgeting and Program Evaluation.

(b) Serve as Chairman of the Departmental Executive Resources Board and its Executive Committee.

(c) Serve as the Chair of the Department's Safety Council.

(d) Serve as the Chair of the Department's Credit Council.

(e) Approve the establishment, modification, extension, or termination of:

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(1) Department-wide (intra-department) committees affecting more than one program.

(2) OST-sponsored interagency committees.

(f) Approve the designation of:

(1) Departmental representatives and the chairman for interagency committees sponsored by the Office of the Secretary.

(2) Departmental members for international committees.

(g) Serve as the representative of the Secretary on the board of directors of the National Railroad Passenger Corporation and carry out the functions vested in the Secretary as a member of the board by 49 U.S.C. 24302.

(h) Approve the initiation of regulatory action, as defined in E.O. 12866, by Secretarial offices and Operating Administrations.

§ 1.24 Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy.

The Under Secretary provides leadership in the Department's development of policies and programs to protect and enhance the safety, adequacy, and efficiency of the transportation system and services. The Office of the Under Secretary serves as the focal point within the Federal Government for coordination of intermodal transportation policy, which brings together departmental intermodal perspectives, advocates intermodal interests, and provides secretarial leadership and visibility on issues that involve or affect more than one Operating Administration.

§ 1.25 Delegations to the Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy.

The Under Secretary is delegated the following authorities:

(a) Lead the development of transportation policy and serve as the principal adviser to the Secretary on all transportation policy matters.

(b) Establish policy and ensure uniform departmental implementation of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, Public Law 91-190, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321-4347) within the Department of Transportation.

(c) Oversee the implementation of 49 U.S.C. 303 (Policy on lands, wildlife and waterfowl refuges, and historic sites).

(d) Represent the Secretary of Transportation on various interagency boards, committees, and commissions to include the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and the Trade Policy Review Group and the Trade Policy Staff Committee.

(e) Serve as the Department's designated principal conservation officer pursuant to section 656 of the Department of Energy Organization Act, Public Law 94-91 [42 U.S.C. 7266], and carry out the functions vested in the Secretary by section 656 of the Act, which pertains to planning and implementing energy conservation matters with the Department of Energy.

(f) Carry out the functions of the Secretary pertaining to aircraft with respect to Transportation Order T-1 (44 CFR chapter IV) under the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, Public Law 81-774, 64 Stat. 798 [50 U.S.C. App. 2061 *et seq.*] and Executive Order 10480 (3 CFR, 1949-1953 comp., p. 962), as amended (see also Executive Order 10773 and 12919).

(g) Serve as Department of Transportation member of the Interagency Group on International Aviation, and pursuant to Executive Order No. 11382 (3 CFR, 1966-1970 comp., p. 691), as amended, serve as Chair of the Group.

(h) Serve as second alternate representing the Secretary of Transportation to the Trade Policy Committee as mandated by Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1979 (5 U.S.C. App. at 1381), as amended, and Executive Order No. 12188 (3 CFR, 1980 comp., p. 131), as amended.

(i) As supplemented by 14 CFR Part 385, and except as provided in §§ 1.99(j) (RITA), and 1.27 (General Counsel) of this part, carry out the functions transferred to the Department from the Civil Aeronautics Board and other related functions and authority vested in the Secretary under the following:

(1) Sections 40103(a)(2) (relating to the consultation with the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board before prescribing regulations or procedures that will have a significant impact on accessibility of commercial airports for handicapped individuals), and (c) (relating to