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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

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foreign aircrafts); 40105 (relating to international negotiations, agreements, and obligations); 40109(a), (c), (g), 46301(b) (smoke alarm penalty), (d), (f), (g) (relating to the authority to exempt certain air carriers) and (h); 40113(a) and (c); 40114(a) (relating to reports and records); 40115 (relating to the withholding of information from public disclosure) of Chapter 401 of 49 U.S.C.; and 40116 (relating to the Anti-Head Tax Act);

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(2) The following chapters of title 49, U.S.C., except as related to departmental regulation of airline consumer protection and civil rights which is delegated to the General Counsel at §1.27:

(i) Chapter 411 of title 49, U.S.C., relating to air carrier certification;

(ii) Chapter 413 of title 49, U.S.C., relating to foreign air transportation;

(iii) Chapter 415 of title 49, U.S.C., relating to pricing;

(iv) Chapter 417 of title 49, U.S.C., relating to the operations of air carriers, except sections 41721–41723;

(v) Chapter 419 of title 49, U.S.C. and 39 U.S.C. 5402, relating to the transportation of mail; and

(vi) Section 42303 of 49 U.S.C., relating to the management of the Web site regarding the use of insecticides in passenger aircraft.

(3) Section 42111 of title 49, U.S.C. with respect to mutual aid agreements as it relates to foreign air transportation;

(4) Chapters 461 and 463 of title 49, U.S.C., relating to aviation investigations, proceedings, and penalties under Part A of Subtitle VII of title 49, U.S.C. except for those sections delegated to the General Counsel under §1.27, and to the Federal Aviation Administrator under §1.83 of this part;

(5) Chapter 473 of title 49, U.S.C., relating to international airport facilities.

(6) Section 11 of the Clayton Act, Public Law 63–212 [15 U.S.C. 21], relating to air carriers and foreign air carriers.

(7) Section 3 of An Act to Encourage Travel in the United States, and for other purposes, 54 Stat. 773 [16 U.S.C. 18b].

(8) Sections 108(a)(4), 621(b)(5), 704(a)(5), and 814(b)(5) of the Consumer Credit Protection Act, Public Law 90-

321 [15 U.S.C. 1607(a)(4), 1681s(b)(5), 1691c(a)(5), and 16921(b)(5)].

(j) Carry out the functions vested in the Secretary by 49 U.S.C. 44907(b)(1), (c), and (e) related to the security of foreign airports in coordination with the General Counsel, the Federal Aviation Administrator, and the Assistant Secretary for Administration.

(k) Carry out section 101(a)(2) of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, Public Law 107-42 [49 U.S.C. 40101 note], as delegated to the Secretary of Transportation by the President pursuant to a Presidential Memorandum dated September 25, 2001.

(1) Exercise the authority vested in the Secretary by section 11143 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users, Public Law 109–59, 119 Stat. 1144 (SAFETEA-LU), to manage the day-to-day activities associated with implementation of section 11143 regarding private activity bonds and tax-exempt financing of highway projects and rail-truck facilities.

(m) In coordination with the General Counsel, to carry out the duties of the Secretary under Executive Orders 12866 and 13563 to establish the value of statistical life in connection with assessing the costs and benefits of Departmental regulatory action.

## §1.25a Redelegations by the Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy.

(a) The Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy is delegated authority to:

(1) Establish policy and maintain oversight of 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.

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

(3) 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.