

The ASC is publishing new Section 3.13 to conform with 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(1)(C), which requires the publication of agency rules of operation in the **Federal Register**. The notice and publication requirements of 5 U.S.C. 553 do not apply to the adoption of Section 3.13 because it is a "rule of agency organization, procedure, or practice" exempt from the public notice and comment process under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(3)(A).

Based on the foregoing, the ASC adopts new Section 3.13 of the Rules of Operation, as follows, effective immediately:

Rules of Operation

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Article III—Members of the Subcommittee

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Section 3.13. Transaction of Business by Circulation of Written Items. Any other provision of these Rules to the contrary notwithstanding, business may be conducted by the Subcommittee by the circulation of written items to all members. The Secretary [the Executive Director], in consultation with the Chairperson: (1) Shall determine whether items qualify for this expedited voting method because they are routine, recurring or previously discussed at an ASC meeting; and (2) shall specify a deadline for the receipt of members' responses. Qualifying items may be transmitted in paper or electronic format. The Secretary (or the Secretary's designee) shall confirm each member's actual receipt of items, and the response period shall be measured from the day of actual receipt. Members may vote in one of three ways: approve, disapprove or veto.

The matter shall be approved or disapproved by a majority vote of the members participating in the voting process, so long as the voting members comprise a quorum, as generally defined in Section 3.08(a). A vote to veto will cause the matter to be placed on the agenda of the next scheduled ASC meeting, as governed by Section 3.09. The disposition of each written item circulated for vote, including the vote of each member, shall be recorded in the minutes of the Subcommittee.

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By the Appraisal Subcommittee.

Dated: August 21, 1997.

Herbert S. Yolles,

Chairman.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Notice of Agreement(s) Filed

The Commission hereby gives notice of the filing of the following agreement(s) under the Shipping Act of 1984.

Interested parties can review or obtain copies of agreements at the Washington, DC offices of the Commission, 800 North Capitol Street N.W., Room 962. Interested parties may submit comments on an agreement to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573, on or before September 8, 1997.

Agreement No.: 202-011456-022.

Title: South Europe American Conference ("SEAC").

Parties:

DSR Senator Lines GmbH
Evergreen Marine Corporation
(Taiwan) Ltd.
"Italia" di Navigazione, S.p.A.
A.P. Moller-Maersk Line
P&O Nedlloyd B.V.
P&O Nedlloyd Limited
Sea-Land Service, Inc.
Zim Israel Navigation Company, Ltd.

Synopsis: The proposed modification would authorize the parties to continue to discuss, exchange information and agree upon matters relating to the performance of existing SEAC service contracts subsequent to the dissolution of the Conference. The parties have requested expedited review.

Agreement No.: 202-011576-001.

Title: South American Independent Lines Association.

Parties:

Interocean Lines, Inc.
Seaboard Marine, Ltd.
Trinity Shipping Line, S.A.

Synopsis: The proposed amendment would permit the Agreement parties to discuss and agree with other members of the West Coast of South America Discussion Agreement (FMC Agreement No. 203-011426) on the terms and conditions of service contracts and to aggregate the volume of cargo shipped under their respective contracts.

Agreement No.: 202-011587.

Title: United States South Europe Conference.

Parties:

A. P. Moller-Maersk Line
P&O Nedlloyd B.V.
P&O Nedlloyd Limited
Sea-Land Service, Inc.

Synopsis: The proposed Agreement would permit the parties to discuss and agree upon rates, rules, charges, and practices for the transportation of cargo in the trade between United

States Atlantic and Gulf Coast ports, and inland points served by those ports, and ports in Italy, Spain and Portugal, and Mediterranean French ports and inland points in Europe served by such ports. The parties have requested expedited review.

Agreement No.: 224-200229-004.

Title: Manchester/Empire Freight Handling Agreement.

Parties:

Manchester Terminal Corporation
Empire Stevedoring (Houston) Inc.
Synopsis: This modification changes the name of the freight handling party from Empire Scott Stevedoring, Inc. to Empire Stevedoring (Houston) Inc.

By order of the Federal Maritime Commission.

Dated: August 22, 1997.

Ronald D. Murphy,

Assistant Secretary.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[File No. 962-3279]

Mid-South PCM Group, P.C.; Eye and Vision Clinic, P.C.; International Computerized Orthokeratology Society, Inc.; J. Mason Hurt, O.D.; Analysis To Aid Public Comment

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Proposed consent agreement.

SUMMARY: The consent agreement in this matter settles alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices or unfair methods of competition. The attached Analysis to Aid Public Comment describes both the allegations in the draft complaint that accompanies the consent agreement and the terms of the consent order—embodied in the consent agreement—that would settle these allegations.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before October 27, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 6th St. and Pa. Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20580.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Christa Vecchi, Federal Trade Commission, H-200, 6th St. and Pa. Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20580. (202) 326-3166. Matthew Daynard, Federal Trade Commission, H-200, 6th St. and Pa. Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20580. (202) 326-3291.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 6(f) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 38 Stat. 721, 15 U.S.C.