SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Interest Rates

The Small Business Administration publishes an interest rate called the optional ''peg'' rate (13 CFR 120.214) on a quarterly basis. This rate is a weighted average cost of money to the government for maturities similar to the average SBA direct loan. This rate may be used as a base rate for guaranteed fluctuating interest rate SBA loans. This rate will be 5.375 (5 ⅜) percent for the July—September quarter of FY 2002.

LeAnn M. Oliver,

Deputy Associate Administrator for Financial Assistance.

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Office of the National Ombudsman—Region V Regulatory Fairness Board

Public Federal Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Hearing

The Small Business Administration, Office of the National Ombudsman and Region V Regulatory Fairness Board, will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, July 8, 2002 at 8:30 a.m. at the Italian Community Center, 631 East Chicago Street, Milwaukee, WI 53202, to receive comments and testimony from small business owners, small government entities, and small non-profit organizations concerning regulatory enforcement and compliance actions taken by federal agencies.

Anyone wishing to attend or to make a presentation must contact Janice Wipijewski in writing at U.S. Small Business Administration, Wisconsin District Office, 310 West Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53203, phone (414) 297–1096, fax (414) 297–1377, e-mail *janice.wipkjewski@sba.gov.*

For more information about this event and assistance with excessive federal regulatory enforcement actions, such as repetitive audits or investigations, punitive fines, penalties, threats, retaliation or other unfair enforcement action taken by a federal agency, visit the National Ombudsman's Web site at *www.sba.gov/ombudsman.*

Steve Tupper,

Committee Management Officer.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Region 5 Wisconsin District Advisory Council; Public Meeting

The Small Business Administrations Region 5 Wisconsin District Advisory Council, located in the geographical area of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, will hold a public meeting at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, July 17, 2002, at the Metro Milwaukee Area Chamber Building 756 North Milwaukee Street, 4th Floor, Milwaukee, WI 53202, to discuss such matters as may be presented by members, staff of the Small Business Administration, or others present.

Anyone wishing to make an oral presentation to the Board must contact Yolonda Staples Lassiter, EDA, in writing by letter or by fax no later than July 11, 2002, in order to be put on the agenda. For further information, write or call Yolanda Staples Lassiter, EDA U.S. Small Business Administration 310 West Wisconsin Ave., Suite 400 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203 (414) 297–1090.

Steve Tupper,

Committee Management Officer.

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UNITED STATES OFFICE OF SPECIAL COUNSEL

Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility, and Integrity of Information Disseminated by Federal Agencies

AGENCY: United States Office of Special Counsel

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: On April 30, 2002, the Office of Special Counsel (OSC) published a Draft Report and Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility, and Integrity of Information Disseminated by the Office of Special Counsel. Public comments were invited and were due on or before June 1, 2002. This notice announces an extension of the June 1st deadline for comments to July 10, 2002.

DATES: Comments on the OSC draft report and guidelines must be postmarked or sent by electronic mail on July 8, 2002, or before July 10, 2002, to the addresses provided below.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent by regular mail or electronic mail to OSC's Planning and Advice Division. Comments sent by regular mail should be addressed to: Sharyn Danch, Planning and Advice Division, Office of Special Counsel, 1730 M Street, N.W. (Suite 201), Washington, DC 20036–4505; comments sent by electronic mail should be addressed to info__quality@osc.gov. All comments received will be included in the official record of this action

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharyn Danch, by mail (Planning and Advice Division, Office of Special Counsel, 1730 M Street, N.W. (Suite 201), Washington, DC 20036–4505), or electronic mail (info__quality@osc.gov). The draft report and guidelines referred to in this notice are available on the OSC Web site, at www.osc.gov (at the ''Reading Room'' link on the home page).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On April 30, 2002, OSC published its draft report and information quality guidelines in the *Federal Register* and announced that it was seeking comments by June 1, 2002. 67 FR 21316. The draft guidelines describe OSC procedures for pre-dissemination information quality control, and an administrative mechanism for the receipt of requests to correct covered information.

OSC is now extending the comment period to July 10, 2002, to provide the public with additional time to comment. This extension is provided at the suggestion of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in its notice providing agencies with an extension of time in which to submit their draft report and guidelines to OMB. 67 FR 40755 (June 6, 2002).

Dated: July 01, 2002.

Elaine D. Kaplan,

Special Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

[Docket OST–2002–11590]

In the Matter of the Small Community Air Service Development Pilot Program, Under 49 U.S.C. 41743 *et seq.*; Order Setting Final Deadline for Applications

Issued by the Department of Transportation on the 1st day of July, 2002.

SUMMARY: By this order, the Department sets a final deadline of July 19, 2002, for the filing of all applications and supplements thereto under the Small Community Air Service Development Program.