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 3/8) percent for the July—September quarter of FY 2002.

LeAnn M. Oliver,

Deputy Associate Administrator for Financial Assistance.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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, email 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. [FR Doc. 02–16929 Filed 7–5–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 8025–01–P

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. [FR Doc. 02–17100 Filed 7–5–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 8025–01–P

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 predissemination 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.

Background

On April 5, 2000, the President signed the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century (AIR-21), Pub. L. 106-181. Among other things, the statute established a new pilot program designed to help smaller communities enhance their air service. To fund the program, the statute authorized a funding level of \$20.0 million for fiscal year 2001 and \$27.5 million for each of fiscal years 2002 and 2003; no funds were appropriated in fiscal year 2001 and only \$20 million in fiscal year 2002. We established April 22, 2002 as the deadline for the filing of applications seeking priority consideration. On June 26, 2002 (Order 2002-6-14), we announced the award of 40 grants totaling almost \$20 million, subject to each applicant's executing a formal grant agreement with the Department. We also noted that it is possible that not all of the funds awarded in that Order may be expended, since we intend to include in each grant agreement success milestones that each grantee must meet to ensure continuation of funding. All applications received by April 22, 2002, and any received thereafter will be considered equally for any such unexpended funds.

To provide administrative finality to the filing of applications, we will not accept any application, nor any supplement thereto, received after July 19, 2002. The only exception will be if Departmental staff requests additional information from an applicant to facilitate consideration of its application.

Accordingly, the deadline for submitting applications in this Docket, or supplements to applications, is July 19, 2002.

This order will be published in the **Federal Register**.

Read C. Van de Water,

Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs.

An electronic version of this document is available on the World Wide Web at http://dms.dot.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Fitness Determination of Florida Coastal Airlines, Inc.

AGENCY: Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of Order to Show Cause (Order 2002–6–17), Docket OST–01–10874.

SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation is directing all interested persons to show cause why it should not issue an order finding Florida Coastal Airlines, Inc., fit, willing, and able to provide scheduled passenger operations as a commuter air carrier under 49 U.S.C. 41738.

Responses: Objections and answers to objections should be filed in Docket OST-01-10874 and addressed to the Department of Transportation Dockets, PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, and should be served on all persons listed in Attachment A to the order. Persons wishing to file objections should do so no later than July 11, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. James Lawyer, Air Carrier Fitness Division (X–56, Room 6401), U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366–1064.

Dated: July 1, 2002.

Read C. Van De Water,

Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Request for Comments on Advisory Circular (AC) 183–35H, Airworthiness Designee Function Codes and Consolidated Directory for DMIR/DAR/ ODAR/DAS/DOA and SFAR No. 36

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Request for comments.

SUMMARY: This document announces a proposed change to AC 183-35H. The change will add a new authorized Function Code to the AC. This Code will be identified as Data Management Function Code 50 (pending). It will allow a Designated Airworthiness Representatives (DAR) and Organizational Designated Airworthiness Representatives (ODAR) responsible for managing alterations programs leading to the issuance of a FAA Field Approval and/or approval for return to service to alter U.S.-registered aircraft. It also provides a certification of completeness (FAA Form 337 or equivalent) when all requirements are met.

Qualification criteria and experience required are as follows:

Qualifications. DAR/ODAR applicants must meet the general and specialized experience (as appropriate) listed below:

1. General. Current and thorough working knowledge of pertinent Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), directives, and related material.

a. Current technical knowledge and experience commensurate with that required for the particular function (e.g., Boeing Airplane Model 707–100, Bell Model 47B), and/or related parts/components, appliance, etc.).

b. Unquestionable integrity, cooperative attitude, and ability to exercise sound judgement.

c. Ability to maintain the highest degree of objectivity while performing authorized functions on behalf of the FAA.

d. Two years of satisfactory experience working directly in the type of work to be covered in the authorized function.

e. Good command of the English language, both oral and written.

f. Persons applying for Data Management Function Code 50 must hold a current DAR/ODAR certificate for a period of at least one year with Function Code 08 and/or Function Code 23. The person must have used current publications and demonstrated sound judgement when issuing standard airworthiness certificates on behalf of the FAA. The person must also have attended the FAA Part 21 Seminar #27903, the Flight Standards Alteration Course #21811 and, if applying for an Avionics function code, the person must also have attended the Avionics Certification Procedures Course #21846.

2. Specialized Experience. A DAR or ODAR applicant for Data Management Function Code 50 must meet the specialized experience listed below. Individuals who are to perform authorized functions under an ODAR need only meet the specialized experience required for the specific function to be performed.

a. A DAR applicant.

(1) A DAR applicant must have five years of experience as an FAA Airworthiness Inspector involved in the actual issuance of an FAA Field Approval, or as an airworthiness inspector responsible for managing programs leading to the issuance of an FAA Field Approval, for aircraft or avionics components and systems. The aircraft or avionics components and systems must be of the same type and complexity as those for which authorization is sought.

(2) A DAR applicant must be responsible for managing alteration