regarding “Business Counseling and Training.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The meeting is open to the public; however, advance notice of attendance is requested. Anyone wishing to attend and/or make a presentation to the Advisory Committee on Veterans Business Affairs must contact Cheryl Simms, Program Liaison, by May 10, 2010 by fax or e-mail in order to be placed on the agenda. Cheryl Simms, Program Liaison, U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Veterans Business Development, 409 3rd Street, SW., Washington, DC 20416, Telephone number: (202) 619–1697, Fax number: 202–481–6085, e-mail address: cheryl.simms@sba.gov.

Additionally, if you need accommodations because of a disability or require additional information, please contact Cheryl Simms, Program Liaison at (202) 619–1697; e-mail address: cheryl.simms@sba.gov.

[25x20]DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 6970]

Notice of Committee Meeting

Title: Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Committee Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 5, 2010, in Room 2415 of the United States Coast Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593–0001. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the eighty-seventh Session of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) to be held at the IMO headquarters in London, United Kingdom, from May 12–21, 2010. The primary matters to be considered include:

—Adoption of the agenda; report on credentials
—Decisions of other IMO bodies
—Consideration and adoption of amendments to mandatory instruments
—Measures to enhance maritime security
—Goal-based new ship construction standards
—LRIT-related matters
—Ship design and equipment (report of the fifty-second session and urgent matters emanating from the fifty-third session of the Sub-Committee)
—Flag State implementation (report of the fourteenth session of the Sub-Committee)
—Rescue (urgent matters emanating from the fourteenth session of the Sub-Committee)
—Technical assistance programme in maritime safety and security
—Role of the human element
—Formal safety assessment
—Piracy and armed robbery against ships
—General cargo ship safety
—Implementation of instruments and related matters
—Relations with other organizations
—Application of the Committee’s Guidelines
—Work programme
—Any other business
—Consideration of the report of the Committee on its 87th session

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. To facilitate the building security process, those who plan to attend should contact the meeting coordinator, LCDR Jason Smith, by e-mail at jason.e.smith2@uscg.mil, by phone at (202) 372–1376, by fax at (202) 372–1925, or in writing at Commandant (CG–5212), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 Second Street, SW, Stop 7126, Washington, DC 20593–7126. Please note that due to security considerations, two valid, government-issued photo identifications must be presented to gain entrance to the Headquarters building. The Headquarters building is accessible by taxi and privately owned conveyance (public transportation is not generally available). However, parking in the vicinity of the building is extremely limited. Additional information regarding this and other IMO SHC public meetings may be found at: http://www.uscg.mil/imo.

This announcement will appear in the Federal Register less than 15 days prior to the meeting. The Department of State finds that there is an exceptional circumstance in that this advisory committee meeting must be held on May 5th in order to prepare for the IMO MSC meeting to be convened on May 12th.

Pharos Capital Partners II, L.P.; Notice Seeking Exemption Under Section 312 of the Small Business Investment Act, Conflicts of Interest

Notice is hereby given that Pharos Capital Partners II, L.P., 1 Burton Hills Boulevard, Suite 180, Nashville, TN 37215, a Federal Licensee under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, as amended (“the Act”), in connection with the sale of an asset to an Associate, has sought an exemption under Section 312 of the Act and Section 107.730, which constitute Conflicts of Interest of the Small Business Administration (“SBA”) Rules and Regulations (13 CFR 107.730).

Pharos Capital Partners II, L.P. proposes to sell its equity interest in MCCI Group Holdings, LLC, 4960 SW 72nd Street, Suite 406, Miami, FL 33155 to Pharos Capital Partners II–A, L.P.

The financing is brought within the purview of § 107.730(a)(1) of the Regulations because Pharos Capital Partners II, L.P. and Pharos Capital Partners II–A, L.P. are considered Associates by virtue of Common Control as defined at 13 CFR 107.50.

Therefore, this transaction is considered self-dealing requiring an exemption. Notice is hereby given that any interested person may submit written comments on the transaction within fifteen days of the date of this publication to the Acting Associate Administrator for Investment, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 Third Street, SW., Washington, DC 20416.


Sean Greene, Associate Administrator for Investment.

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Pharos Capital Partners II–A, L.P. are considered

—Training and watchkeeping (report of the forty-first session of the Sub-Committee)
—Stability, load lines and fishing vessel safety (report of the fifty-second session of the Sub-Committee)
—Bulk liquids and gases (report of the fourteenth session of the Sub-Committee)
—Radiocommunications and search and rescue (urgent matters emanating from the fourteenth session of the Sub-Committee)
—Fire protection (urgent matters emanating from the fifty-fourth session of the Sub-Committee)
—Technical assistance sub-programme in maritime safety and security
—Role of the human element
—Formal safety assessment
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Notice With Respect to List of Countries Denying Fair Market Opportunities for Government-Funded Airport Construction Projects

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice with respect to a list of countries denying fair market opportunities for products, suppliers, or bidders in connection with foreign government-funded airport construction projects.

DATES: Effective Date: Date of publication.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jean Heilman Grier, Senior Procurement Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, (202) 395–9476, or Maria Pagan, Associate General Counsel, Office of the United States Trade Representative, (202) 395–9626.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 533 of the Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, as amended (49 U.S.C. 50104), the United States Trade Representative (USTR) has determined not to list any countries as denying fair market opportunities for U.S. products, suppliers, or bidders in foreign government-funded airport construction projects.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 533 of the Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, as amended by section 115 of the Airport and Airway Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1987, Public Law 100–223 (codified at 49 U.S.C. 50104) (“the Act”), requires USTR to decide whether any foreign countries have denied fair market opportunities to U.S. products, suppliers, or bidders in connection with airport construction projects of $500,000 or more that are funded in whole or in part by the governments of such countries. The list of such countries must be published in the Federal Register. USTR has not received any complaints or other information that indicates that U.S. products, suppliers, or bidders are being denied fair market opportunities in such airport construction projects. As a consequence, for purposes of the Act, USTR has decided not to list any countries as denying fair market opportunities for U.S. products, suppliers, or bidders in foreign government-funded airport construction projects.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. FD 35365]

Michael Williams—Control Exemption—St. Maries River Railroad, Inc.

Michael Williams (applicant), a noncarrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption to acquire control of St. Maries River Railroad, Inc. (STMA), a Class III railroad, through the purchase of all of STMA’s stock from STMA’s parent, Potlatch Land & Lumber, LLC, by Williams Group, Inc. (WG).

Applicant currently controls two Class III railroads through stock ownership: BG & CM Railroad (BG & CM), which operates in Idaho; and Ozark Valley Railroad (OVRR), which operates in Missouri. Applicant will control STMA through WG.

The parties intend to consummate the transaction by May 28, 2010. Applicant, however, may not consummate the transaction prior to the May 12, 2010 effective date of this exemption.

Applicant states that: (i) STMA does not connect with any rail lines of the BG & CM, OVRR, or any other railroad now controlled by applicant; (ii) the acquisition of control of STMA is not part of a series of anticipated transactions that would connect any of the railroads with each other or with any railroad in their corporate family; and (iii) this transaction does not involve a Class I rail carrier. Therefore, the transaction is exempt from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11323. See 49 CFR 1180.2(d)(2).

Under 49 U.S.C. 10502(g), the Board may not use its exemption authority to relieve a rail carrier of its statutory obligation to protect the interests of its employees. Section 11326(c), however, does not provide for labor protection for transactions under §§ 11324 and 11325 that involve only Class III rail carriers. Accordingly, the Board may not impose labor protective conditions here, because all the carriers involved are Class III rail carriers.

If the notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the effectiveness of the exemption. Petitions for stay must be filed no later than May 5, 2010 (at least 7 days before the exemption becomes effective).

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to Docket No. FD 35365, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423–0001. In addition, one copy of each pleading must be served on Charles H. Montange, 426 NW. 162nd Street, Seattle, WA 98177.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at: “http://www.stb.dot.gov.”


By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Kulanie L. Cannon, Clearance Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

April 22, 2010.

The Department of the Treasury will submit the following public information collection requirements to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 on or after the date of publication of this notice. A copy of the submissions may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding these information collections should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury PRA Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Suite 11010, Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before May 28, 2010 to be assured of consideration.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545–2156.