RECOVERY ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY BOARD

Agenda and Notice of Partially Closed Meeting of the Recovery Independent Advisory Panel

AGENCY: Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board.

ACTION: Notice of partially closed meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Public Law 111–5 (Recovery Act), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board’s (Board) Recovery Independent Advisory Panel (RIAP) will meet as indicated below. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of FACA. This notice is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend the open portion of the meeting.

DATES: The RIAP meeting will be held on Thursday, August 5, 2010, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Hyatt Regency Cambridge, 575 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, MA 02139.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 1543 of the Recovery Act, the RIAP is charged with making recommendations to the Board on actions the Board could take to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse of Recovery Act funds. The purpose of the August 5, 2010 meeting is to allow the RIAP to have an open dialogue, with input from the public, on issues relating to fraud, waste, and abuse of Recovery Act funds. More specifically, the RIAP is interested in obtaining input regarding the following matters:

- Actions the Board can take to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse;
- Transparency of entitlements and tax benefits funded by the Recovery Act;
- The public’s experience with obtaining information from Recovery.gov and how that experience can be improved; and
- Random sampling as a tool for detecting fraud, waste, and abuse.

In keeping with FACA procedures, members of the public are invited to provide comments to the RIAP. The preference of the RIAP is to have members of the public provide written comments addressing any of the matters listed above no later than July 29, 2010. There will be limited space for this meeting; therefore, members of the public who have submitted written statements addressing matters outlined above will be given priority in attending this meeting and speaking to the RIAP.

The next highest priority for attending the meeting and speaking to the RIAP will be those individuals who have signed up in advance by submitting their names via e-mail to the RIAP in advance of the meeting. Members of the public who have submitted written comments and/or who have signed up in advance will be given priority to attend the meeting and be heard first in the order in which their written statements and/or sign-up e-mails were received. Other members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting, space permitting. A time limit will be placed on those members of the public wishing to speak at the meeting, with time allocated in accordance with the number of people who have signed up indicating a desire to speak to the RIAP. The RIAP will make every effort to hear the views of all interested persons. The Chairperson of the RIAP is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will, to the Chairperson’s judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. You may submit written comments by mail to 1717 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20006. “RIAP comments” should be written on the envelope. Persons wishing to e-mail their written comments and/or sign up in advance to speak to the RIAP at the meeting should send their written comments and/or names to panel@rath.gov and write “August 5, 2010 RIAP public comment” in the Subject line. The meeting will close to the public at 4:15 p.m. under the authority of Section 10(d) of FACA and under exemption (7) of Section 552b(c) of the Government in the Sunshine Act (Pub. L. 92–463). During the closed portion of the meeting there will be a discussion of the RIAP’s work, including actions the Board could take to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse of Recovery Act funds. A summary of the activities at the closed session and related matters which are informative to the public will be made part of the public record and posted as soon as possible on http://www.recovery.gov. Records will be kept of all RIAP proceedings and will be available for public inspection on http://www.recovery.gov.

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Incident Period: 02/26/2010 and continuing.

DATES: Effective Date: 07/13/2010.

Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 06/29/2010.

Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date: 01/31/2011.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of the President’s major disaster declaration for Private Non-Profit organizations in the State of North Dakota, dated 04/30/2010, is hereby amended to include the following areas as adversely affected by the disaster.

Primary Counties: Bottineau, McHenry, Kidder, Renville, Ward.

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008)

James E. Rivera,
Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #12151 and #12152]

North Dakota Disaster Number ND–00022

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Amendment 2.

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