The DOS’ independent analysis of the issues will be presented in the EA. The EA will be placed in the public record and, depending on the comments received during the scoping process, may be published and distributed to the public. A comment period will be allotted if the EA is published for review. The DOS will consider all comments on the EA before it issues a Presidential Permit. To ensure your comments are considered, please carefully follow the instructions in the Public Participation section.

With this notice, the DOS is asking agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to formally cooperate with DOS in the preparation of the EA. These agencies may choose to participate once they have evaluated the proposal relative to their responsibilities. Agencies that would like to request cooperating agency status should follow the instructions for filing comments provided under the Public Participation section of this notice.

During this scoping period, the DOS also plans to use the scoping process to help identify historic preservation issues for consideration under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations (Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations Part 800).

Public Participation
You are encouraged to become involved in this process and provide your specific comments or concerns about the proposed project. By becoming a commenter, your concerns will be considered by the DOS and addressed appropriately in the EA. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental impacts, reasonable alternatives (including alternative facility sites and alternative pipeline routes), and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. Parties interested in being involved in Section 106 consultation should also contact the DOS. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. To ensure that your comments are timely and properly recorded, please send your comments so they will be received on or before January 17, 2011.

For your convenience, there are two methods that you can use to submit your comments to the DOS. In all instances please reference the project (i.e., Vantage) with your submission. The DOS encourages electronic filing of comments.

(1) You may file a paper copy of your comments at the following address: Alexander Yuan, OES/ENV, NEPA Compliance Officer, P.O. Box 18500, Minneapolis, MN 55418, REFERENCE: VANTAGE; or
(2) You may email comments to AlexanderYuan@merjent.com.

Environmental Mailing List
The environmental mailing list includes Federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American Tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. This list also includes all affected landowners who are potential right-of-way grantees, whose property may be used temporarily for project purposes, and anyone who submits comments on the project. The DOS will update the environmental mailing list as the analysis proceeds to ensure that it sends the information related to this environmental review to all individuals, organizations, and government entities interested in and/or potentially affected by the proposed project.

Additional Information
The application and related documents that are part of the record to be considered by the DOS in connection with this application including all environmental information and associated maps, are downloadable from a Web site that is being established for this purpose: http://www.vantagepipeline.state.gov.

A Vantage hosted project Web site is also available at http://www.vantagepipeline.com. The Vantage Pipeline Project toll free number is 1–877 918–6818 (United States).

Dated: December 7, 2011.

George N. Sibley,
Director, Office of Environmental Policy, Bureau of Oceans and International, Environmental and Scientific Affairs, U.S. Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 7713]

U.S. Department of State Advisory Committee on Private International Law (ACPIL): Public Meeting on Electronic Commerce

The Department of State, Office of Legal Adviser, Office of Private International Law would like to give notice of a public meeting to discuss electronic records. Working Group IV (international electronic commerce) of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) met October 10–14, 2011, to discuss matters relating to electronic transferable records. A report from that meeting, once it is published, should be available at http://www.uncitral.org/uncitrallen/commission/working_groups/4Electronic_Commerce.html.

The ACPIL public meeting will discuss relevant rules applicable to electronic transferable records, current practice involving the use of both electronic transferable records, and potential areas in which work by UNCITRAL could be beneficial.

Time and Place: The public meeting will take place on Friday, January 6, 2012, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. EST in Room 1207 in the Department of State’s Henry S. Truman Building, 2201 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20520. If you are unable to attend the public meeting and would like to participate from a remote location, teleconferencing will be available.

Public Participation: This meeting is open to the public, subject to the capacity of the meeting room. Access to the meeting building is controlled. Persons wishing to attend in person or telephonically should contact Tricia Smeltzer (SmeltzerTK@state.gov) and Niesha Toms (TomSN@state.gov) of the Office of the Assistant Legal Adviser for Private International Law, and provide your name, affiliation, email address, and mailing address. If you would like to participate in person, please also provide your date of birth, citizenship, and driver’s license or passport number for entry in the building. Members of the public who are not pre-cleared might encounter delays with security procedures. Personal data from the public is requested pursuant to Public Law 99–399 (Omnibus Diplomatic Security and Antiterrorism Act of 1986), as amended; Public Law 107–56 (USA PATRIOT Act); and Executive Order 13356. The purpose of the collection is to validate the identity of individuals who enter Department facilities. The data will be entered into the Visitor Access Control System (VACS–D) database. Please see the Privacy Impact Assessment for VACS–D at http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/100305.pdf for additional information. A member of the public needing reasonable accommodation should advise either of the aforementioned contacts not later than December 27, 2011.
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 6828]

Meeting of Advisory Committee on the Secretary of State’s Strategic Dialogue
With Civil Society

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), the Advisory Committee on the Secretary of State’s Strategic Dialogue With Civil Society will convene in Washington, DC on January 17, 2012. The Committee provides advice on the formulation of U.S. policies, proposals, and strategies for engagement with, and protection of, civil society worldwide. The objective of this meeting is to review the progress of the Committee’s five subcommittees. The meeting is open to the public and will be streamed live at https://statedep.connectsolutions.com/csenglish.

DATES: The meeting will be held on January 17, 2012, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of State. Room 1107, 2201 C Street NW., Washington, DC. This meeting is open to public participation, though seating is limited. Entry to the building is controlled. To obtain pre-clearance for entry provide, by January 11, your name, professional affiliation, valid government-issued ID number, passport number and country of issuance, or driver’s license number and state of issuance, date of birth, and citizenship to Dara Duncan via email to civilsociety@state.gov or facsimile to (202) 736–7961. One of the following forms of valid photo identification will be required for entry into the meeting: U.S. driver’s license, U.S. Government identification card, or any valid passport. Enter the Department of State from the entrance on C Street. In view of escorting requirements, non-Government attendees should plan to arrive 15 minutes before the meeting begins.

Written comments may also be submitted to Dara Duncan via the contact information above. All comments, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at the U.S. Department of State, 2201 C Street NW., Room 1317, Washington, DC 20520. Please call ahead to (202) 736–7824 to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dara Duncan, Committee Executive Secretary, U.S. Department of State, 2201 C Street, NW., Room 1317, Washington, DC 20520; (202) 736–7824; fax (202) 736–7961; civilsociety@state.gov.

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1 (800) 877–8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday. Requests for reasonable accommodation for access to the facility or proceedings may be made by contacting Dara Duncan at the contact information provided above prior to January 2. Requests made after that date will be considered, but might not be possible to fulfill.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public and will be streamed live at: https://statedep.connectsolutions.com/csenglish. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Introductions, (2) Presentations by the Chairs of the Subcommittees, (3) Public Comment, (4) General Discussion, (5) Adjournment. Anyone who would like to bring related matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff. The agenda will allow time for people to make oral statements of two minutes or less. Individuals wishing to make an oral statement should submit this request in writing by January 2, 2012 to be scheduled on the agenda. Written comments and requests of time for oral comments must be sent to Dara Duncan, Committee Executive Secretary, at the contact information provided above.

Personal data is requested for building entry pursuant to Pub. L. 99–399 (Omnibus Diplomatic Security and Antiterrorism Act of 1986), as amended; Pub. L. 107–56 (USA PATRIOT Act); and Executive Order 13356. The purpose of the collection is to validate the identity of individuals who enter Department facilities. The data will be entered into the Visitor Access Control System (VACS–D) database. Please see the Privacy Impact Assessment for VACS–D at http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/100305.pdf for additional information.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice to Manufacturers of Airport Lighting and Navigation Aid Equipment

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), US DOT.

ACTION: Notice to manufacturers of airport lighting and navigation aid equipment.

SUMMARY: Projects funded under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) must meet the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 50101, Buy American Preferences. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is considering issuing waivers to foreign manufacturers of certain airport lighting and navigation aid equipment that is lit with Light Emitting Diode (LED) lighting. This notice requests information from manufacturers of systems meeting the technical requirements to determine whether a waiver to the Buy American Preferences should be issued.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) manages a federal grant program for airports called the Airport Improvement Program (AIP). AIP grant recipients must follow 49 U.S.C. 50101, Buy American Preferences. Under 49 U.S.C. 50101(b)(3), the Secretary of Transportation may waive the Buy American Preference requirement if the goods are not produced in a sufficient and reasonably available amount or are not of a satisfactory quality.

The purpose of this notice is to request manufacturers of L–850A, L850B, L852K, and L852S LED airport lighting equipment, LED Runway End Identification Lighting (REIL) equipment, and LED Precision Approach Path Indicator (PAPI) equipment, both domestic and foreign, to advise FAA of the system that they manufacture and whether it can meet the FAA Advisory Circular technical requirements. The detailed instructions for submitting the qualifications statement, including