temporary import of defense articles manufactured by RMI (*i.e.*, where RMI is identified as a Source or Manufacturer);

- 2. Application submitted by persons other than RMI for the export or temporary import of defense articles manufactured by persons other than RMI which incorporate a defense article manufactured by RMI as a component, accessory, attachment, part, firmware, software, or system;
- 3. The use of other approvals (see ITAR § 120.20) by persons other than RMI for the export or temporary import of defense articles described in categories one (1) and two (2) above; and
- 4. Applications submitted by persons other than RMI for agreements identified in ITAR Part 124 in which RMI is identified as a U.S. signatory to the agreement.

All requests for authorizations, or use of exemptions, involving RMI that fall within the scope of the specific categories above will be reviewed and action taken by the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls in the ordinary course of business and do not require the submission of a separate transaction exception request, but should include reference to, or a copy of, this notice. Including an explanation of how the proposed transaction falls within the scope of an exception category above will facilitate review of the request.

All requests for authorizations involving RMI that do not fall within the scope of the specific categories above must be preceded by the approval of a transaction exception request by the Department. The decision to grant a transaction exception will be made on a case-by-case basis after a full review of all circumstances.

This notice does not provide notice of reinstatement of export privileges for RMI pursuant to the statutory requirements of AECA Sec. 38(g)(4) (22 U.S.C. 2778), nor does this notice provide notice of rescission of the imposition of statutory debarment of RMI pursuant to ITAR § 127.7(c). As required by the statute, the Department will not consider applications from RMI unless accompanied by a specific transaction exception request. Any determination by the Department regarding reinstatement of export privileges for RMI or rescission of the imposition of statutory debarment of RMI will be made in accordance with statutory and regulatory requirements and will be the subject of a separate notice.

Dated: April 25, 2016.

#### Rose E. Gottemoeller,

Under Secretary, Arms Control and International Security, Department of State. [FR Doc. 2016–10843 Filed 5–6–16; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4710–25–P

### **DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice: 9549]

Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment and Preliminary Finding of No Significant Impact for the NuStar Burgos Pipelines Presidential Permit Applications Review, Hidalgo County, Texas

**AGENCY:** Department of State. **ACTION:** Notice of availability, solicitation of comments.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of State (Department) announces availability for public review and comment of the *Draft* Environmental Assessment (Draft EA) and the Preliminary Finding of No Significant Impact for the NuStar Burgos Pipelines Presidential Permit Applications Review (Preliminary FONSI). These documents evaluate the potential environmental impacts of issuing Presidential Permits to NuStar Logistics, L.P. (NuStar) to authorize in Hidalgo County, Texas: The construction, connection, operation, and maintenance of a proposed new NuStar Burgos pipeline (New Burgos Pipeline); a proposed change in petroleum products for an existing Burgos pipeline (Existing Burgos Pipeline), for which a Presidential Permit was issued in 2006; and a name change of the owner and operator of the Existing Burgos Pipeline. The Draft EA and Preliminary FONSI were prepared consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 4321, et seq.), the regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) (40 CFR 1500-1508), and the Department's implementing regulations (22 CFR part 161).

**DATES:** The Department invites the public, governmental agencies, tribal governments, and all other interested parties to provide comments on the Draft EA and Preliminary FONSI during the 30-day public comment period. The public comment period starts on May 9, 2016, with the publication of this **Federal Register** Notice and will end June 8, 2016.

All comments received during the review period may be made public, no matter how initially submitted. Comments are not private and will not be edited to remove identifying or contact information. Commenters are

cautioned against including any information that they would not want publicly disclosed. Any party soliciting or aggregating comments from other persons is further requested to direct those persons not to include any identifying or contact information, or information they would not want publicly disclosed, in their comments. **ADDRESSES:** Comments on the Draft EA and Preliminary FONSI may be submitted at www.regulations.gov by entering the title of this Notice into the search field and following the prompts. Comments may also be submitted by mail, addressed to: Burgos Project Manager, Office of Environmental Quality and Transboundary Issues (OES/EQT): Suite 2726, U.S. Department of State, 2201 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20520. All comments from agencies or organizations should indicate a contact person for the agency or organization.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Project details for the Burgos Pipelines and copies of the Presidential Permit applications, as well as information on the Presidential Permit process are available at the following: <a href="http://www.state.gov/e/enr/applicant/applicants/c66757.htm">http://www.state.gov/e/enr/applicant/applicants/c66757.htm</a>. Please refer to this Web site or contact the Department at the address listed in the ADDRESSES section of this notice.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department evaluates Presidential permit applications under E.O. 13337 and E.O. 14432. E.O. 13337 delegates to the Secretary of State the President's authority to receive applications for permits for the construction, connection, operation, or maintenance of facilities for the exportation or importation of petroleum, petroleum products, coal, or other fuels (except for natural gas), at the borders of the United States, and to issue or deny such Presidential Permits upon a national interest determination.

In December 2014, NuStar submitted two applications to the Department. The first application requests a new Presidential Permit to replace a 2006 Presidential Permit, that would: (1) Reflect NuStar's name change from Valero Logistics Operations, L.P. to NuStar Logistics, L.P. as the owner and operator of the Existing Burgos Pipeline, the 34-mile-long 8-inch outer diameter pipeline and border facilities issued a Presidential Permit in 2006 authorizing import and export of light naphtha and (2) allow the Existing Burgos Pipeline and border facilities to transport a broader range of petroleum products than originally authorized, including diesel, gasoline, jet fuel, liquefied

petroleum gas, and natural gas liquids. The second application requests that the Department issue a Presidential Permit for construction, connection, operation, and maintenance of a new 10-inch outer diameter pipeline and associated facilities in the same right of way as the Existing Burgos Pipeline to transport the same range of products as the Existing Burgos Pipeline. Both pipelines would connect the Petroleos Mexicanos (PEMEX) Burgos Gas Plant near Reynosa, Tamaulipas, Mexico and the NuStar terminal near Edinburg, Texas in Hidalgo County, Texas at the United States-Mexico border.

Availability of the Draft EA and Preliminary FONSI: Copies of the Draft EA and Preliminary FONSI have been distributed to state and governmental agencies, tribal governments and other interested parties. Printed copies of the document may be obtained by visiting the McAllen Public Library, 4001 N. 23rd St., McAllen, TX 78504, or by contacting the Burgos Project Manager at the above address. They are also available at <a href="http://www.state.gov/e/enr/applicant/applicants/c66757.htm">http://www.state.gov/e/enr/applicant/applicants/c66757.htm</a>.

#### Deborah Klepp,

Director, Office of Environmental Quality and Transboundary Issues, Department of State.

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## **TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY**

# Meeting of the Regional Energy Resource Council

**AGENCY:** Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA)

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The TVA Regional Energy Resource Council (RERC) will hold a meeting on Tuesday, May 24 and Wednesday, May 25, 2016, regarding regional energy related issues in the Tennessee Valley.

The RERC was established to advise TVA on its energy resource activities and the priorities among competing objectives and values. Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App.2.

The meeting agenda includes the following:

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. TVA Updates
- 3. Presentations regarding Distributed Energy Resources, including current approaches, new technologies, and the Evolving Market Place
- 4. Public Comments
- 5. Council discussion

The RERC will hear views of citizens by providing a public comment session starting at 9:00 a.m. EDT, on Wednesday, May 25. The public comment session may last up to one hour. Persons wishing to speak are requested to register at the door by 8:45 a.m. on Wednesday, May 25, and will be called on during the public comment period. Handout materials should be limited to one printed page. Written comments are also invited and may be mailed to the Regional Energy Resource Council, Tennessee Valley Authority, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, WT-9D, Knoxville TN 37902.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 24, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. and on Wednesday, May 25, from 8:30 a.m. to noon EDT.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Chattanoogan Hotel, 1201 South Broad Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402, and will be open to the public. Anyone needing special access or accommodations should let the contact below know at least a week in advance.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beth Keel, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, WT–9D, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902, (865) 632–6113.

Dated: May 2, 2016.

# Joseph J. Hoagland,

Vice President, Enterprise Relations and Innovation, Tennessee Valley Authority.

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# **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2007-28043]

Hours of Service (HOS) of Drivers; American Pyrotechnics Ass'n. (APA) Application for Exemption From the 14-Hour Rule; Extension of Current APA Exemption Period

**AGENCY:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of application for and extension of exemption; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The American Pyrotechnics Association (APA), on behalf of its member companies, has requested additions to and deletions from the list of motor carriers previously granted exemptions for the 2015 and 2016 Independence Day fireworks shows. Fifty-one APA members currently hold such exemptions from the prohibition on driving commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) after the 14th hour after the

driver comes on duty. APA requests discontinuance of the exemption for 4 carriers, and new exemptions for 4 carriers, with the total therefore remaining at 51. The "Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act" (FAST Act) extended the expiration date of hoursof-service (HOS) exemptions in effect on the date of enactment of the FAST Act to 5 years from the date of issuance. This notice therefore extends to July 8, 2020, the exemption for the 47 APA members approved in 2015 that wish to retain the exemption. Finally, FMCSA seeks comment on the applications of 4 APA members not previously exempted from the 14-hour rule. Because the FAST Act also authorized new exemptions for a period of up to 5 years, the Agency proposes to grant these 4 motor carriers exemptions that would run through July 8, 2020, and terminate at the same time as the other 47 exemptions. The APA maintains that the terms and conditions of the limited exemption would ensure a level of safety equivalent to, or greater than, the level of safety achieved without the exemption.

**DATES:** June 8, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments bearing the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Docket ID FMCSA—2007—28043 using any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590–0001.
- Hand Delivery or Courier: West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12– 140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
  - Fax: 1–202–493–2251.

Each submission must include the Agency name and the docket number for this notice. Note that DOT posts all comments received without change to www.regulations.gov, including any personal information included in a comment. Please see the Privacy Act heading below.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments, go to www.regulations.gov at any time or visit Room W12–140 on the ground level of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The on-line FDMS is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. If you want acknowledgment that we