

County's Motion to File an Amicus Curiae Brief—SRM—SECY-08-0082 (Tentative).

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#### Additional Information

By a vote of 4-0 on September 2 and 3, 2008, the Commission determined pursuant to U.S.C. 552b(e) and § 9.107(a) of the Commission's rules that Affirmation of "a. U.S. Department of Energy (High Level Waste Repository) DOE's Partially Unopposed Motion for Protective Order Governing Classified Information (filed May 30, 2008), and b. U.S. Department of Energy (High Level Waste Repository: Pre-Application Matters), Docket No. PAPO-00—The DOE's Notice of Appeal from the PAPO Board's April 23, 2008 Order and Nye County's Motion to File an Amicus Curiae Brief—SRM—SECY-08-0082" be held September 8, 2008, and on less than one week's notice to the public.

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Dated: September 3, 2008.

**R. Michelle Schroll,**

*Office of the Secretary.*

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## POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meetings

**NAME OF AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** September 15, 2008 at 2 p.m.

**PLACE:** Commission conference room, 901 New York Avenue, NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20268-0001.

**STATUS:** Open.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Fiscal year 2010 budget.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, 202-789-6820 or [stephen.sharfman@prc.gov](mailto:stephen.sharfman@prc.gov).

Dated: September 4, 2008.

**Steven W. Williams,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 6350]

### Bureau of Economic, Energy, and Business Affairs; Public Notice List of September 8, 2008, of Participating Countries and Entities (Hereinafter Known as "Participants") under the Clean Diamond Trade Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-19) and Section 2 of Executive Order 13312 of July 29, 2003

**AGENCY:** Department of State.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with Sections 3 and 6 of the Clean Diamond Trade Act of 2003 (Pub. L. 108-19) and Section 2 of Executive Order 13312 of July 29, 2003, the Department of State is identifying all the Participants eligible for trade in rough diamonds under the Act, and their respective Importing and Exporting Authorities, and revising the previously published list of January 18, 2003 (Volume 73, Number 13, page 3507-8), to remove Venezuela.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sue Saarnio, Special Advisor for Conflict Diamonds, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, Department of State, (202) 647-1713.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 4 of the Clean Diamond Trade Act (the "Act") requires the President to prohibit the importation into, or the exportation from, the United States of any rough diamond, from whatever source, that has not been controlled through the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme (KPCS). Under Section 3(2) of the Act, "controlled through the Kimberley

Process Certification Scheme" means an importation from the territory of a Participant or exportation to the territory of a Participant of rough diamonds that is either (i) carried out in accordance with the KPCS, as set forth in regulations promulgated by the President, or (ii) controlled under a system determined by the President to meet substantially the standards, practices, and procedures of the KPCS. The referenced regulations are contained at 31 CFR Part 592 ("Rough Diamonds Control Regulations") (69 FR 56936, September 23, 2004).

Section 6(b) of the Act requires the President to publish in the **Federal Register** a list of all, and all Importing and Exporting Authorities of Participants, and to update the list as necessary. Section 2 of Executive Order 13312 of July 29, 2003, delegates this function to the Secretary of State. Section 3(7) of the Act defines "Participant" as a state, customs territory, or regional economic integration organization identified by the Secretary of State. Section 3(3) of the Act defines "Exporting Authority" as one or more entities designated by a Participant from whose territory a shipment of rough diamonds is being exported as having the authority to validate a Kimberley Process Certificate. Section 3(4) of the Act defines "Importing Authority" as one or more entities designated by a Participant into whose territory a shipment of rough diamonds is imported as having the authority to enforce the laws and regulations of the Participant regarding imports, including the verification of the Kimberley Process Certificate accompanying the shipment.

#### List of Participants

Pursuant to Section 3 of the Clean Diamond Trade Act (the Act), Section 2 of Executive Order 13312 of July 29, 2003, and Delegation of Authority No. 294 (July 6, 2006), I hereby identify the following entities as of June 17, 2008, as Participants under section 6(b) of the Act. Included in this List are the Importing and Exporting Authorities for Participants, as required by Section 6(b) of the Act. This list revises the previously published list of January 18, 2003 (Volume 73, Number 35078), to remove Venezuela, as shipments of rough diamonds from Venezuela are not being controlled through the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme at this time.

Angola—Ministry of Geology and Mines.

Armenia—Ministry of Trade and Economic Development.

Australia—Exporting Authority—Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources; Importing Authority—Australian Customs Service.  
 Bangladesh—Ministry of Commerce.  
 Belarus—Department of Finance.  
 Botswana—Ministry of Minerals, Energy and Water Resources.  
 Brazil—Ministry of Mines and Energy.  
 Canada—Natural Resources Canada.  
 Central African Republic—Ministry of Energy and Mining.  
 China—General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine.  
 Democratic Republic of the Congo—Ministry of Mines.  
 Republic of Congo—Ministry of Mines.  
 Croatia—Ministry of Economy.  
 European Community—DG/External Relations/A.2.  
 Ghana—Precious Minerals and Marketing Company Ltd.  
 Guinea—Ministry of Mines and Geology.  
 Guyana—Geology and Mines Commission.  
 India—The Gem and Jewelry Export Promotion Council.  
 Indonesia—Directorate General of Foreign Trade of the Ministry of Trade.  
 Israel—The Diamond Controller.  
 Ivory Coast—Ministry of Mines and Energy.  
 Japan—Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.  
 Republic of Korea—Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Energy.  
 Laos—Ministry of Finance.  
 Lebanon—Ministry of Economy and Trade.  
 Lesotho—Commissioner of Mines and Geology.  
 Liberia—Ministry of Lands, Mines and Energy.  
 Malaysia—Ministry of International Trade and Industry.  
 Mauritius—Ministry of Commerce.  
 Namibia—Ministry of Mines and Energy.  
 New Zealand—Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade.  
 Norway—The Norwegian Goldsmiths' Association.  
 Russia—Gokhran, Ministry of Finance.  
 Sierra Leone—Government Gold and Diamond Office.  
 Singapore—Singapore Customs.  
 South Africa—South African Diamond Board.  
 Sri Lanka—National Gem and Jewelry Authority.  
 Switzerland—State Secretariat for Economic Affairs.  
 Chinese Taipei—Bureau of Foreign Trade.  
 Tanzania—Commissioner for Minerals.  
 Thailand—Ministry of Commerce.

Togo—Ministry of Mines and Geology.  
 Turkey—Istanbul Gold Exchange.  
 Ukraine—State Gemological Centre of Ukraine.  
 United Arab Emirates—Dubai Metals and Commodities Center.  
 United States of America—Importing Authority—United States Bureau of Customs and Border Protection; Exporting Authority—Bureau of the Census.  
 Vietnam—Ministry of Trade.  
 Zimbabwe—Ministry of Mines and Mining Development.

This notice shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: August 11, 2008.

**John D. Negroponte,**

*Deputy Secretary of State, Department of State.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### **Airport Improvement Program Grant Assurances; Proposed Modifications and Opportunity To Comment**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), U.S. DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of modification of Airport Improvement Program grant application requirements and of the opportunity to comment.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA proposes to modify the standard grant application requirements that are required of a sponsor of a nonprimary airport before receiving a grant under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP). The FAA is providing an opportunity for public comment on proposals to modify the grant application requirements.

Sponsors of nonprimary airports are now required to provide a variety of information when submitting an AIP grant application. This modification would require that a sponsor of a nonprimary airport submit a list of the aircraft (fixed wing and rotary wing) that are based on the airport.

**DATES:** Comments are invited.

Comments must be submitted on or before October 8, 2008. Any necessary or appropriate revision to the application requirements resulting from the comments received will be adopted as of the date of a subsequent publication in the **Federal Register**.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be delivered or mailed to the FAA, Airports Financial Assistance Division, APP-500, Room 619, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Wayne Heibeck, Airports Planning and Programming Division, APP 2, Room 620, FAA, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, Telephone (202) 267-8775.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In order to be considered for AIP grant funds, a sponsor (the grant applicant) must meet certain requirements and provide certain information regarding the project for which grant funds are being sought. The Secretary must receive this information from a sponsor (applicant) seeking financial assistance for airport planning, airport development, noise compatibility planning or noise mitigation under Title 49, U.S.C., as amended. Decisions to award discretionary grants are made on the basis of a number of factors.

Nonprimary airports that have not provided verifiable data regarding the number of aircraft that are based at the airport hinder FAA from determining whether a project at that airport is justified. Therefore, if a nonprimary airport has not provided the verifiable based aircraft information, FAA will consider the failure to provide the information as a factor when considering a request from that airport for discretionary funding.

#### **Discussion of Modifications**

FAA prescribes the information that must be contained in a grant application. For nonprimary airport grant applications, FAA has determined that accurate information on based aircraft is an important element of justification for many proposed AIP projects at nonprimary airports. In addition, based aircraft data supports the airport's importance in the biennial Report to Congress—the National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS) and in the Airport Master Record (the Form 5010). A based aircraft is an operational aircraft that is registered in the FAA Aircraft Registry that is at the airport the majority of the year. Registered aircraft are defined in Chapter 14 Code of Federal Regulations Part 47. An operational aircraft is an aircraft that is in a condition for safe operation.

FAA may require a sponsor for a nonprimary airport to include a list of the based aircraft at the airport, including the "N-number" for each aircraft when submitting a grant application or may require the sponsor to update the list of based aircraft submitted with the most recent Form 5010 inspection.

The FAA manages the AIP in accordance with statutory direction and agency policies and criteria. Decisions