

content threshold? If so, what content should be covered (i.e., steel and iron or all content comprising a vehicle) and what should the percentages be? Should there be different percentages for different types of vehicles? What data is available to support the use of a percentage? What types of vehicles would be available to State and local agencies at any given percentage?

6. Should vehicle retrofits be subject to Buy America? If so, what standard should be applied? Should the standard differ from that of a whole vehicle (i.e., if final assembly is the standard for a vehicle, should the FHWA be concerned about Buy America when an engine is purchased on its own for incorporation into a vehicle)?

7. What standard should apply to locomotives, rail cars, and locomotive parts that are purchased for locomotive retrofits? Should the FHWA require the application of the Federal Railroad Administration's policy, which views locomotives and rail cars as "end products" that must be assembled in the United States and all components (including components purchased for retrofits) be manufactured in the United States?

8. Do the minimal use threshold provisions of 23 CFR 635.410(b)(4) represent reasonable criteria for expressing the public interest exclusion limitations for the Federal-aid highway program, and present an appropriate balance between an undue administrative burden in accounting for every steel and iron item in a project versus giving effect to the intent of Buy America?

9. Are there any domestic suppliers available that can domestically produce pig iron and processed, pelletized, and reduced iron ores in sufficient quantities of a satisfactory quality to supply the entire need for Federal-aid highway projects?

10. Are there any domestic suppliers available that can domestically produce ferry boat equipment in compliance with the FHWA's Buy America requirements?

11. If any of the general waivers (manufactured products, ferry boat equipment, and pig iron) to Buy America are rescinded, what would be the implications to administering Federal-aid highway projects?

12. What would be the potential advantages or disadvantages of FHWA adopting a policy for manufactured products similar to that used by many Federal agencies who implemented the Recovery Act Buy America requirements? (**Note:** 2 CFR 176.70(a)(2)(i) states: "Production in the United States of the iron or steel used

in the project requires that all manufacturing processes must take place in the United States, except metallurgical processes involving refinement of steel additives. These requirements do not apply to iron or steel used as components or subcomponents of manufactured goods used in the project.")

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**Victor M. Mendez,**

*Federal Highway Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA-2013-0156]

#### Pipeline Safety: Meetings of the Gas and Liquid Pipeline Advisory Committees

**AGENCY:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of advisory committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a public meeting of the Gas Pipeline Advisory Committee (GPAC) also known as the Technical Pipeline Safety Standards Committee, and the Liquid Pipeline Advisory Committee (LPAC) also known as the Technical Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Safety Standards Committee. The committees will meet in joint session to discuss a variety of topics to keep committee members up-to-date on DOT's pipeline safety program.

**DATES:** The meetings will be held on August 8-9, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will take place at The Westin Arlington Gateway, 801 Glebe Road, Arlington, VA 22203, Fitzgerald Ballroom, Phone (703) 717-6200, Web site <http://www.starwoodhotels.com/westin/property/overview/index.html?propertyID=1513>.

Any additional information will be published on the PHMSA Web site at <http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/public>, under "News and Updates" on the homepage.

The meetings will not be web cast; however, presentations will be available on the meeting Web site and posted in the E-Gov Web site at <http://www.regulations.gov> in docket number PHMSA-2013-0156 within 30 days following the meeting.

**Comments:** Comments on the meeting may be submitted to the docket in the following ways:

**E-Gov Web site:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. This site allows the public to enter comments on any **Federal Register** notice issued by any agency.

**Fax:** 1-202-493-2251.

**Mail:** Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-001.

**Hand Delivery:** Room W12-140 on the ground level of the DOT West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**Instructions:** Identify the docket number PHMSA-2013-0156 at the beginning of your comments. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. You should know that anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Therefore, you may want to review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000, (65 FR 19477) or view the Privacy Notice at <http://www.regulations.gov> before submitting any such comments.

**Docket:** For access to the docket or to read background documents or comments, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time or to Room W12-140 on the ground level of the DOT West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

If you wish to receive confirmation of receipt of your written comments, please include a self-addressed, stamped postcard with the following statement: "Comments on PHMSA-2013-0156." The Docket Clerk will date-stamp the postcard prior to returning it to you via the U.S. mail. Please note that due to delays in the delivery of U.S. mail to Federal offices in Washington, DC, we recommend that persons consider an alternative method (internet, fax, or professional delivery service) of submitting comments to the docket and ensuring their timely receipt at DOT.

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Anyone may search the electronic form of comments received in response to any of our dockets by the name of the individual who submitted the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.).

## Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities, or to seek special assistance at the meeting, please contact Cheryl Whetsel at 202-366-4431 by July 22, 2013.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information about the meeting, contact Cheryl Whetsel by phone at 202-366-4431 or by email at [cheryl.whetsel@dot.gov](mailto:cheryl.whetsel@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Members of the public may attend and make a statement during the advisory committee meeting. If you intend to make a statement, please notify PHMSA in advance by forwarding an email to [cheryl.whetsel@dot.gov](mailto:cheryl.whetsel@dot.gov) by July 22, 2013.

## Committee Background

The GPAC and LPAC are statutorily mandated advisory committees that advise PHMSA on proposed safety standards, risks assessments, and safety policies for natural gas pipelines and for hazardous liquid pipelines. Both committees were established under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C. App. 1) and the pipeline safety law (49 U.S.C. Chap. 601). Each committee consists of 15 members—with membership evenly divided among the Federal and state government, the regulated industry, and the public. The committees advise PHMSA on the technical feasibility, practicability, and cost-effectiveness of each proposed pipeline safety standard.

## Agenda

On Thursday, August 8, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on August 9, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. the GPAC and LPAC will hold joint meetings. A detailed Agenda will be published on the PHMSA (DOT) Web site.

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 60102, 60115; 60118.

Issued in Washington, DC on July 3, 2013.

**Jeffrey D. Wiese,**

*Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. FD 35749]

#### Boston and Maine Corporation and Springfield Terminal Railroad Company—Petition for Declaratory Order

The Boston and Maine Corporation and Springfield Terminal Railway Company (collectively, Pan Am), filed a petition for declaratory order on July 1, 2013 (Petition), requesting that the Board declare that 49 U.S.C. 10501(b) preempts actions taken by the Town of Winchester (the Town) to ban certain rail transportation conducted by Pan Am. For the reasons discussed below, a declaratory order proceeding will be instituted and an expedited procedural schedule will be adopted.

The Petition requests that the Board find that the Town is preempted from enforcing a zoning decision and an order, each of which would prevent Pan Am from providing freight rail transportation to a warehouse in the Town. According to Pan Am, it provides common carrier rail transportation to the warehouse, through the Montvale Yard, on behalf of shippers, and it holds out this transportation service to the public. The zoning decision states that the Montvale Yard “is being used as a freight yard which is not allowed” pursuant to municipal zoning laws.<sup>1</sup> The order requires all rail traffic to the warehouse “to immediately cease and desist.”<sup>2</sup>

The Board has discretionary authority under 5 U.S.C. 554(e) and 49 U.S.C. 721 to issue a declaratory order to eliminate a controversy or remove uncertainty. Here, a controversy exists as to whether enforcement of the Town’s zoning laws is preempted under 49 U.S.C. 10501(b). Therefore, a declaratory order proceeding will be instituted, and the Board will consider this matter under the modified procedure rules at 49 CFR pt. 1112.

Pan Am states that the Town has announced plans to seek a state court injunction to enforce its cease and desist order, with a hearing on the motion to be set for the week of July 22, 2013. Pan Am further states that the Town rejected a request to hold state court proceedings in abeyance to allow Pan Am’s Petition to be considered by the Board. In a letter filed July 3, 2013, the Town indicates that it will reply to the Petition on or before July 22 and asserts that “there is no emergency requiring the Board’s

immediate action” because no petition for a temporary restraining order or preliminary injunction “as yet has been filed” with the state court. But there remains a cease and desist order issued by the Town that purports to ban all rail transportation to the warehouse. Moreover, the Town does not dispute Pan Am’s assertion that the Town had announced plans to seek state court action on the schedule Pan Am claims, nor does it commit to refraining from these actions or consenting to abeyance of the state court proceedings. Therefore, an expedited procedural schedule will be adopted, with replies to the Petition due by July 10, 2013.

This action will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources.

*It is ordered:*

1. A declaratory order proceeding is instituted.
2. Replies to the Petition are due by July 10, 2013.
3. This decision is effective on its service date.

Decided: July 3, 2013.

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

**Jeffrey Herzig,**  
*Clearance Clerk.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Submission for OMB Review, Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on one new proposed information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). The new clearance will allow the Office of Financial Stability, within the Department of the Treasury, to collect information from homeowners that have received mortgage modifications under the Home Affordable Modification Program (HAMP), in order to study the performance of HAMP modifications.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before September 9, 2013 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments regarding these information collections should be addressed to the Department of the

<sup>1</sup> Pet., Ex. B at 2.

<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at 4 (Amended Decision After Remand).