

- **Industry Growth**—Since the 1994 Report, subscriber penetration, average system channel capacity, the number of programming services available, revenues, expenditures on programming, and capital investment generally have increased for the cable industry.

- **Horizontal Concentration**—Since 1994, there also has been an increase in the horizontal concentration of cable multiple system operators ("MSOs") nationwide and increased regional "clustering" of cable system ownership. Although the cable industry is moderately concentrated nationally, local markets for the distribution of multichannel video programming tend to be highly concentrated as measured by subscribership among all MVPDs.

- **Competitive Entry**—Although the percentage of subscribers choosing competitive alternatives to incumbent cable operators has increased since our last report, cable subscribership continues to dwarf the combined subscribership of all other MVPDs, accounting for 91% of the total.

- **Vertical Integration**—While the number of cable programming services has increased over the past year, the percentage of services that are vertically integrated with cable operators has declined slightly. The Commission's program access and program carriage rules, and its decisions applying those rules, seem to have been successful in ensuring that competing MVPDs are able to obtain the programming services affiliated with cable MSOs.

- **Technological Advances**—Technological advances are occurring that will permit MVPDs to increase the quantity of service (i.e., increased number of channels using the same amount of bandwidth or spectrum space) and types of offerings (e.g., interactive services). On the basis of the information reported, however, it is unclear which distributors will benefit the most from these technological

advances—existing cable operators or their existing and potential competitors.

#### Ordering Clauses

3. This 1995 Report is issued pursuant to authority contained in Sections 4(i), 4(j), 403 and 628(g) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §§ 154(i), 154(j), 403 and 548(g).

4. *It is ordered* that the Secretary shall send copies of this 1995 Report to the appropriate committees and subcommittees of the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate.

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

*Acting Secretary.*

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### FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

#### [Notice 1996-1]

#### Filing Dates for the California Special Elections

**AGENCY:** Federal Election Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of filing dates for special elections.

**SUMMARY:** California has scheduled special elections on March 26 and May 21, 1996, in the Thirty-seventh Congressional District to fill the U.S. House seat vacated by Congressman Walter Tucker.

Committees required to file reports in connection with the Special General Election on March 26 should file a 12-day Pre-General Report on March 14, 1996. Committees required to file reports in connection with both the Special General and Special Runoff Elections to be held on May 21, should no candidate achieve a majority vote, must file a 12-day Pre-General Report, an April Quarterly Report on April 15, a 12-day Pre-Runoff Report on May 9,

and a Post-Runoff Report on June 20, 1996.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ms. Bobby Werfel, Information Division, 999 E Street NW., Washington, DC 20463, Telephone: (202) 219-3420; Toll Free (800) 424-9530.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** All principal campaign committees of candidates in the Special General and Special Runoff Elections and all other political committees not filing monthly which support candidates in these elections shall file a 12-day Pre-General Report on March 14, with coverage dates from the close of the last report filed, or the day of the committee's first activity, whichever is later, through March 6; an April Quarterly Report on April 15, with coverage dates from March 7 through March 31; a 12-day Pre-Runoff Report on May 9, with coverage dates from April 1 through May 1; and a Post-Runoff Report on June 20, with coverage dates from May 2 through June 10, 1996.

All principal campaign committees of candidates in the Special General Election only and all other political committees not filing monthly which support candidates in the Special General Election shall file a 12-day Pre-General Report on March 14, with coverage dates from the close of the last report filed, or the date of the committee's first activity, whichever is later, through March 6 and a Post-General Report on April 25, with coverage dates from March 7 through April 15, 1996.

All political committees not filing monthly which support candidates in the Special Runoff only shall file a 12-day Pre-Runoff Report on May 9, with coverage dates from the last report filed or the date of the committee's first activity, whichever is later, through May 1, and a Post-Runoff Report on June 20, with coverage dates from May 2 through June 10, 1996.

### CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES FOR CALIFORNIA SPECIAL ELECTIONS

I. If only the Special General is held (03/26/96), Committees Must File:

Report	Close of books*	Regular/certificate mailing date**	Filing date
Pre-General .....	03/06/96	03/11/96	03/14/96
April Quarterly .....		—Waived—	
Post-General .....	04/15/96	04/25/96	04/25/96
II. If Two Elections are Held, but a Committee is Involved Only in the Special General (03/26/96):			
Pre-General .....	03/06/96	03/11/96	03/14/96
April Quarterly .....	03/31/96	04/15/96	04/15/96
III. All Committees Involved in the Special General (03/26/96) and Special Runoff (05/21/96) Must File:			
Pre-General .....	03/06/96	03/11/96	03/14/96
April Quarterly .....	03/31/96	04/15/96	04/15/96
Pre-Runoff .....	05/01/96	05/06/96	05/09/96

## CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES FOR CALIFORNIA SPECIAL ELECTIONS—Continued

I. If only the Special General is held (03/26/96), Committees Must File:

Report	Close of books*	Regular/certificate mailing date**	Filing date
Post-Runoff .....	06/10/96	06/20/96	06/20/96
IV. All Committees Involved in the Special Runoff (05/21/96) Only Must File:			
Pre-Runoff .....	05/01/96	05/06/96	05/09/96
Post-Runoff .....	06/10/96	06/20/96	06/20/96

\* The period begins with the close of books of the last report filed by the committee. If the Committee has filed no previous reports, the period begins with the date of the committee's first activity.

\*\* Reports sent by registered or certified mail must be postmarked by the mailing date; otherwise, they must be received by the filing date.

Dated: January 19, 1996.

Lee Ann Elliott,

Chairman, Federal Election Commission.

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## FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

## Notice of Agreement(s) Filed

The Federal Maritime Commission hereby gives notice of the filing of the following agreement(s) pursuant to section 5 of the Shipping Act of 1984.

Interested parties may inspect and obtain a copy of each agreement at the Washington, D.C. Office of the Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, N.W., 9th Floor. Interested parties may submit comments on each agreement to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, D.C. 20573, within 10 days after the date of the Federal Register in which this notice appears. The requirements for comments are found in section 572.603 of Title 46 the Code of Federal Regulations. Interested persons should consult this section before communicating with the Commission regarding a pending agreement.

*Agreement No.:* 202-009831-016.

*Title:* New Zealand/United States Containerline Association.

*Parties:*

Australia-New Zealand Direct Line  
Blue Star (North America) Ltd.  
Columbus Line

*Synopsis:* The proposed Agreement revises Article 5.2 to provide that the parties have the authority under the Agreement to charter space to and from each other. The Agreement also modifies the voting procedures with respect to service contracts and time-volume rates.

*Agreement No.:* 207-011280-001.

*Title:* Star West Joint Service Agreement.

*Parties:*

Blue Star Line, Ltd.  
Overseas Freezer Operations GmbH

*Synopsis:* The proposed Agreement expands the geographic scope of the Agreement to include ports in Japan, Korea, Taiwan and Hong Kong. The parties have requested a shortened review period.

*Agreement No.:* 202-011497-001.

*Title:* Australia/United States Containerline Association.

*Parties:*

Australia-New Zealand Direct Line  
Blue Star (North America) Ltd.  
Columbus Line

*Synopsis:* The proposed Agreement revises Article 5.2 to provide that the parties have the authority under the Agreement to charter space to and from each other. The Agreement also modifies the voting procedures with respect to service contracts and time-volume rates.

*Agreement No.:* 203-011467-001.

*Title:* APL/MOL/NLL/OOCL Asia Atlantic Alliance Agreement.

*Parties:*

American President Lines, Ltd.  
Mitsui O.S.K. Lines, Ltd.  
Nedlloyd Lines B.V.  
Orient Overseas Container Line, Inc.

*Synopsis:* The proposed Agreement revises the geographic scope of the Agreement to include the countries of Indonesia and the Philippines in the definition of the "Far East". It also clarifies that the Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands will be served by feeder service.

*Agreement No.:* 203-011523.

*Title:* Wallenius Lines/HUAL Space Charter Agreement.

*Parties:*

Wallerius Lines AB.  
Hoegh Ugland Auto Liners A/S

*Synopsis:* The proposed Agreement authorizes the parties to agree upon the terms and conditions by which the parties may charter space to each other on vessels operated by each of them in the trade from United States Atlantic Coast ports and points served via those ports, on the one hand, to ports in Europe, the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland and points served

via those ports, on the other hand. The parties may also, but are not required to, discuss and agree upon rates, rules, and conditions of service in the trade but are not required to adhere to any such agreed matters except on a voluntary basis.

*Agreement No.:* 203-011524.

*Title:* Star/Seatrade Cooperative Working Agreement.

*Parties:*

Star West Joint Service  
Seatrade Group N.V.

*Synopsis:* The proposed Agreement permits the parties to charter vessels from one another, rationalize sailings, discuss and agree upon rates, charges, classifications, rules, practices, terms of service contracts, and other matters of mutual concern in the trade from United States ports and points to ports and points in Japan, Korea, Taiwan and Hong Kong. Adherence to any agreement reached is voluntary.

*Agreement No.:* 203-011525.

*Title:* Navieras/Tropical Caribbean Basin Agreement.

*Parties:*

NPR, Inc. ("Navieras")  
Tropical Shipping & Construction Co., Ltd. ("Tropical")

*Synopsis:* The proposed Agreement authorizes the parties to charter space and vessels to and from one another, to rationalize sailings, and to establish a joint service in the trade to and from the Dominican Republic in which they will retain their separate identity but pool revenues and expenses. The parties may also, on a voluntary and non-binding basis, discuss and agree upon rates, rate policy, service items and any terms and conditions of tariffs and service contracts in the trade: (a) Between ports and points on the United States Atlantic and Gulf Coasts, on the one hand, and ports and points in Mexico, Central America, the North Coast of South America and the Caribbean, on the other hand, and (b) between ports and points in Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, on the one hand, and ports and points in Mexico, Central America, the