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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Telephone Bank

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: Rural Telephone Bank, USDA.

ACTION: Staff briefing for the Board of Directors.

TIME AND DATE: 2:00 p.m., Thursday, August 20, 1998.

PLACE: Room 0204, South Building, Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED: General discussion involving:

1. Current telecommunications industry issues;
2. Retirement of class A stock in FY 1998;
3. Annual dividend rate for class C stock;
4. Liquidating account and Federal Credit Reform;
5. Status of PBO planning;
6. Allowance for loan losses reserve;
7. Annual report for FY 1997; and
8. Administrative issues.

ACTION: Board of Directors Meeting.

TIME AND DATE: 9:00 a.m., Friday, August 21, 1998.

PLACE: The Williamsburg Room, Room 104-A, Jamie L. Whitten Building, Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The following matters have been placed on the agenda for the Board of Directors meeting:

1. Call to order.
2. Action on the May 15, 1998, Minutes.
3. Report on loans approved in the third quarter of FY 1998.
4. Summary of financial activity for the third quarter of FY 1998.

5. Consideration of resolution to retire class A stock in FY 1998.

6. Consideration of resolution to set annual class C stock dividend rate.

7. Action on the Bank's annual report for FY 1997.

8. Adjournment.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Orren E. Cameron III, Acting Assistant Governor, Rural Telephone Bank, (202) 720-9554.

Dated: August 7, 1998.

Wally Beyer,

Governor, Rural Telephone Bank.

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ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

Passenger Vessel Access Advisory Committee; Meeting

AGENCY: Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

ACTION: Notice of appointment of advisory committee members and date of first meeting.

SUMMARY: The Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (Access Board) has decided to establish an advisory committee to assist it in developing a proposed rule on accessibility guidelines for newly constructed and altered passenger vessels covered by the Americans with Disabilities Act. The Passenger Vessel Access Advisory Committee (Committee) includes organizations which represent the interests affected by the accessibility guidelines for passenger vessels. This notice also announces the times of the first Committee meeting, which will be open to the public. A subsequent notice will announce the specific location within the Washington, DC area, where the meeting will be held.

DATES: The first meeting of the Committee is scheduled for September 24 and 25, 1998, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 5:00 p.m. each day.

ADDRESSES: A subsequent notice will announce the specific location within the Washington, DC area, where the meeting will be held.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Beatty, Office of Technical and

Information Services, Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, 1331 F Street, NW., suite 1000, Washington, DC, 20004-1111. Telephone number (202) 272-5434 extension 19 (Voice); (202) 272-5449 (TTY). E-mail pvaac@access-board.gov. This document is available in alternate formats (cassette tape, Braille, large print, or computer disk) upon request. This document is also available on the Board's Internet Site (<http://www.access-board.gov/rules/pvaac.htm>).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 30, 1998, the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (Access Board) published a notice of intent to establish an advisory committee to provide recommendations for developing a proposed rule addressing accessibility guidelines for newly constructed and altered passenger vessels covered by the Americans with Disabilities Act. 63 FR 15175 (March 30, 1998). The notice identified the interests that are likely to be significantly affected by the accessibility guidelines: owners and operators of various passenger vessels; designers or manufacturers of passenger vessels; individuals with disabilities; and others affected by accessibility guidelines for passenger vessels.

Over 90 nominations were submitted. Approximately 30 nominations were received from travel consultants. About 17 other nominations were received from individual members of the public who have disabilities (or have family members who have disabilities), most of whom indicated that they have experience with passenger vessels. Eight nominations were received from organizations representing persons with disabilities. Over 15 nominations were received from access consultants and attorneys with experience in accessibility issues. The remaining nominations primarily consisted of organizations representing the passenger vessel industry which includes some State and local government entities.

For the reasons stated in the notice of intent, the Access Board has determined that establishing the Passenger Vessel Access Advisory Committee (Committee) is necessary and in the public interest. The Access Board has appointed 23 members to the Committee from the following organizations: American Classic Voyages

American Society of Travel Agents,
Committee on Travel for Persons with
Disabilities
BB Riverboats
Boston Commission for Persons with
Disabilities
Chesapeake Region Accessible Boating
Cruise Consultants International
International Council of Cruise Lines
Maine Department of Transportation
National Association of Charterboat
Operators
National Tour Association
Paralyzed Veterans of America
Passenger Vessel Association
Port of San Francisco
Princess Cruises
Rhode Island Tourism Division
Self Help for Hard of Hearing People
Society for the Advancement of Travel
for the Handicapped
Society of Naval Architects and Marine
Engineers
Southeast Alaska Independent Living
Southwest Disability and Business
Technical Assistance Center
Transportation Institute
University of Alaska Fairbanks
Washington State Department of
Transportation

The Access Board regrets being unable to accommodate all requests for membership on the Committee. In order to keep the Committee to a size that can be effective, it was necessary to limit membership. It is also desirable to have balance among members of the Committee representing different clusters of interest, such as disability organizations and the passenger vessel industry. The Committee membership identified above provides representation for each interest affected by issues to be discussed.

Committee meetings will be open to the public and interested persons can attend the meetings and communicate their views. Members of the public will have an opportunity to address the Committee on issues of interest to them and the Committee. Members of groups or individuals who are not members of the Committee may also have the opportunity to participate with subcommittees of the Committee. The Access Board believes that participation of this kind can be very valuable for the advisory committee process. Additionally, all interested persons will have the opportunity to comment when the proposed accessibility guidelines for passenger vessels are issued in the **Federal Register** by the Access Board.

The meeting will be held at a site accessible to individuals with disabilities. Sign language interpreters and real-time captioning will be provided. Decisions with respect to

future meetings will be made at the first meeting. Notices of future meetings will be published in the **Federal Register**.

Thurman M. Davis, Sr.,

*Chairman, Architectural and Transportation
Barriers Compliance Board.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

Technical Advisory Committees; Notice of Recruitment of Private-Sector Members

SUMMARY: Technical Advisory Committees (TACs) advise the Department of Commerce on the technical parameters for export controls applicable to dual-use commodities and technology and on the administration of those controls. The TACs are composed of representatives from industry and Government representing diverse points of view on the concerns of the exporting community. Industry representatives are selected from firms producing a broad range of goods, technologies, and software presently controlled for national security, foreign policy, nonproliferation, and short supply reasons or that are proposed for such controls, balanced to the extent possible among large and small firms.

TAC members are appointed by the Secretary of Commerce and serve terms of not more than four consecutive years. The membership reflects the Department's commitment to attaining balance and diversity. TAC members must obtain secret-level clearances prior to appointment. These clearances are necessary so that members can be permitted access to relevant classified information needed in formulating recommendations to the Department of Commerce. Each TAC meets approximately 4 times per year. Members of the TACs will not be compensated for their services.

Three TACs are currently seeking to fill membership vacancies. Those TACs and the areas in which they advise the Department of Commerce are the following: the Materials TAC—Control List Category 1 (materials, chemicals, microorganisms, and toxins); the Information Systems TAC—Control List Category 3 (electronics—test, inspection, and production equipment section), Category 4 (computers), and Category 5 (telecommunications and information security); and the Sensors and Instrumentation TAC—Control List Category 3 (electronics—systems,

equipment, and components section) and Category 6 (sensors and lasers).

To respond to this Notice of Recruitment, please send a fact sheet on your company as well as a resume/biography to the following address: Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter, OAS/EA/BXA MS: 3886C, U.S. Department of Commerce, 15th St. & Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230.

Materials may also be faxed to Ms. Carpenter at (202) 501-8024.

DEADLINE: This Notice of Recruitment will be open for 20 days from date of publication in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter on (202) 482-2583.

Dated: August 5, 1998.

R. Roger Majak,

*Assistant Secretary for Export
Administration.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-122-804; C-122-805]

New Steel Rail, Except Light Rail, From Canada; Notice of Termination of Changed Circumstances Administrative Reviews and Clarification of Scope Language

AGENCY: Import Administration,
International Trade Administration,
Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Termination of
Changed Circumstances Administrative
Reviews and Clarification of Scope
Language.

SUMMARY: On September 15, 1989, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published an antidumping duty order on new steel rail, except light rail, from Canada. The Department published a countervailing duty order on new steel rail, except light rail, from Canada on September 22, 1989. On June 11, 1996, the Department simultaneously initiated antidumping and countervailing duty changed circumstances administrative reviews of these orders and issued the preliminary results of these reviews with intent to revoke the orders in part. The Department is now terminating these reviews.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 12, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Zev Primor or Tom Futtner, Office of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Enforcement, Office 4, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of