

expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2),<sup>2</sup> and trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by March 31, 2005. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by April 11, 2005, with: Surface Transportation Board, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001.

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to applicants' representatives: Attorney for SRY, Mack H. Shumate, Jr., 101 North Wacker Drive, Room 1920, Chicago, IL 60606; Attorneys for SJVR, Gary A. Laakso, Vice President Regulatory Counsel, Rail America, Inc., 5300 Broken Sound Blvd., NW., Second Floor, Boca Raton, FL 33487 and Louis E. Gitomer, Ball Janik LLP, 1455 F Street, NW., Suite 225, Washington, DC 20005.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*.

SRV and SJVR have filed an environmental report which addresses the effects, if any of the abandonment and discontinuance on the environment and historic resources. SEA will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by March 25, 2005. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA by writing to SEA (Room 500, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423-0001) or by calling SEA, at (202) 565-1539. (Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.) Comments on environmental and historic preservation matters must be filed within 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public.

Environmental, historic preservation, public use, or trail use/rail banking conditions will be imposed, where appropriate, in a subsequent decision.

Pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), SRY shall file a notice of consummation with the Board to signify that it has exercised the authority granted and fully abandoned the line. If consummation has not been effected by SRY's filing of a notice of consummation by March 21, 2006, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

Environmental Analysis (SEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemption's effective date. See *Exemption of Out-of-Service Rail Lines*, 5 I.C.C.2d 377 (1989). Any request for a stay should be filed as soon as possible so that the Board may take appropriate action before the exemption's effective date.

<sup>2</sup> Each offer of financial assistance must be accompanied by the filing fee, which currently is set at \$1,200. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>.

Decided: March 14, 2005.

By the Board, David M. Konschnik, Director, Office of Proceedings.

**Vernon A. Williams,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Departmental Offices/Federal Consulting Group; Proposed Collection: 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 take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Federal Consulting Group within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the American Customer Satisfaction Index (ACSI) E-Government Website Customer Satisfaction Survey.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before May 20, 2005, to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to the Federal Consulting Group, Attention: Ronald Oberbillig, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, (202) 906-6863, [Ronald.Oberbillig@ots.treas.gov](mailto:Ronald.Oberbillig@ots.treas.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to the Federal Consulting Group, Attention: Ronald Oberbillig, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, (202) 906-6863, [Ronald.Oberbillig@ots.treas.gov](mailto:Ronald.Oberbillig@ots.treas.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title:** American Customer Satisfaction Index (ACSI) E-Government Website Customer Satisfaction Survey.

**OMB Number:** 1505-0186.

**Abstract:** The proposed renewal of this information collection activity supports continued use of a proven methodology to measure and improve customer satisfaction with federal government agency websites. The Federal Consulting Group of the

Department of the Treasury serves as the executive agent for this project and has partnered with ForeSee Results Inc. (the "partnership") to offer this assessment service to federal government agencies.

ForeSee Results is a leader in customer satisfaction and customer experience management on the web. It utilizes the methodology of the most respected, credible, and well-known measure of customer satisfaction in the country, the American Customer Satisfaction Index (ACSI). This methodology combines survey data and a patented econometric model to precisely measure the customer satisfaction of website users, identify specific areas for improvement, and determine the impact of those improvements on customer satisfaction and future customer behaviors.

The ACSI is the only cross-industry, cross-agency methodology for obtaining comparable measures of customer satisfaction with federal government programs and/or websites. Along with other economic objectives, the quality of goods and services is a part of measuring living standards. The ACSI's ultimate purpose is to help improve the quality of goods and services available to the American people, including those provided by the federal government.

The ACSI E-Government Website Customer Satisfaction Surveys will be completed subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, Public Law 93-579, December 31, 1974 (5 U.S.C. 522a). The agency information collection will be used solely for the purpose of the survey. The partnership will not be authorized to release any agency information upon completion of the survey without first obtaining permission from the Federal Consulting Group and the participating agency. In no case shall any new system of records containing privacy information be developed by the Federal Consulting Group, participating agencies, or the contractor collecting the data. In addition, participating federal agencies may only provide information sufficient to randomly select website visitors as potential survey respondents.

This survey asks no questions of a sensitive nature, such as sexual behavior and attitudes, religious beliefs, and other matters that are commonly considered private.

**Current Actions:** Proposed renewal of collection of information.

**Type of Review:** Renewal.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or households/business or other for-profit/not-for-profit institutions/farms/federal government/state, local or tribal government.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:**

Usage by federal agencies of the ACSI Government Website Customer Satisfaction Survey is expected to vary as new agency websites are added or deleted. However, projected estimates for fiscal years 2007 through 2009 are as follows:

**Fiscal Year 2007—200 Customer Satisfaction Surveys**

*Respondents:* 1,300,000; annual responses: 1,300,000; average minutes per response: 3.0; burden hours: 65,000.

**Fiscal Year 2008—250 Customer Satisfaction Surveys**

*Respondents:* 1,650,000; annual responses: 1,650,000; average minutes per response: 3.0; burden hours: 82,500.

**Fiscal Year 2009—300 Customer Satisfaction Surveys**

*Respondents:* 1,950,000; annual responses: 1,950,000; average minutes per response: 3.0; burden hours: 97,500.

Request For Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on:

- (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility;
- (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information;
- (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;
- (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and
- (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: February 4, 2005.

**Ronald Oberbillig,**

*Project Manager, Federal Consulting Group.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

March 15, 2005.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury

Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 11000, 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before April 20, 2005 to be assured of consideration.

**Internal Revenue Service (IRS)**

*OMB Number:* 1545-1757.

*Regulation Project Number:* REG-105344-01 (Final).

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* REG-105344-01 (Final)

Disclosure of Returns and Return Information by Other Agencies.

*Description:* In general, under the regulations, the IRS is permitted to authorize agencies with access to returns and return information under section 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code to re-disclose returns and return information based on a written request and with the Commissioner's approval, to any authorized recipient set forth in Code section 6103, subject to the same conditions and restrictions, and for the same purposes, as if the recipient had received the information from the IRS directly.

*Respondents:* Federal government, State, local or tribal government.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 11.

*Estimated Burden Hours Respondent:* 1 Hour.

*Frequency of response:* Other once.

*Estimated Total Reporting Burden:* 11 Hours.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1760.

*Form Number:* IRS Forms 1099-Q.

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Payments From Qualified Education Programs (Under Sections 529 and 530).

*Description:* Form 1099-Q is used to report distributions from private and state qualified tuition programs as required under Internal Revenue Code sections 529 and 530.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 150.

*Estimated Burden Hours Respondent:* 230 Hours.

*Frequency of response:* Annually.

*Estimated Total Reporting Burden:* 34,500 Hours.

*Clearance Officer:* Glenn P. Kirkland, (202) 622-3428, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

*OMB Reviewer:* Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., (202) 395-7316, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

**Christopher Davis,**

*Treasury PRA Assistant.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**Internal Revenue Service**

**Open Meeting of the Area 2 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel (Including the States of Delaware, North Carolina, South Carolina, New Jersey, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia)**

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** An open meeting of the Area 2 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be conducted (via teleconference). The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comments, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Tuesday, April 19, 2005, from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. e.t.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Inez E. De Jesus at 1-888-912-1227, or (954) 423-7977.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Area 2 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be held Tuesday, April 19, 2005 from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. e.t. via a telephone conference call. If you would like to have the TAP consider a written statement, please call 1-888-912-1227 or (954) 423-7977, or write Inez E. De Jesus, TAP Office, 1000 South Pine Island Rd., Suite 340, Plantation, FL 33324. Due to limited conference lines, notification of intent to participate in the telephone conference call meeting must be made with Inez E. De Jesus. Ms. De Jesus can be reached at 1-888-912-1227 or (954) 423-7977, or post comments to the Web site: <http://www.improveirs.org>.

The agenda will include the following: Various IRS issues.

Dated: March 16, 2005.

**Martha Curry,**

*Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.*

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