

relating to the proposed exemptions in this rulemaking. Interested parties are invited to submit requests to testify at these hearings. The date for the hearing in Palo Alto, CA is May 1, 2009. The dates for the Washington, DC hearings are May 6, May 7, and May 8, 2009. Depending on the number of requests to testify received by the Copyright Office, it may not be necessary to conduct hearings on all of the available days. The hearings will be organized by subject matter, and while the Copyright Office will attempt to accommodate preferences for particular dates, such accommodations may not be possible.

#### **Requirements for persons desiring to testify:**

A request to testify must be submitted to the Copyright Office. All requests to testify must clearly identify:

- the name of the person desiring to testify,
- the organization or organizations represented, if any,
- contact information (address, telephone, and email),
- the class of work on which you wish to testify (if you wish to testify on more than one proposed class of work, please state your order of preference),
- a brief summary of your proposed testimony,
- a description of any audiovisual material or demonstrative evidence, if any, that you intend to present,
- a description of any material you intend to distribute, if any, at the hearing,
- the location of the hearing at which you wish to testify (Washington, DC or Palo Alto, CA),
- dates on which you wish to testify in order of preference. *Note:* Because the agenda will be organized based on subject matter, we cannot guarantee that we can accommodate requests to testify on particular dates.

Depending on the number and nature of the requests to testify, it is possible that the Office will not be able to accommodate all requests to testify.

All persons who submit a timely request to testify will receive confirmation by email or telephone. The Copyright Office will notify all witnesses of the date and expected time of their appearance, and the time allocated for their testimony.

#### **Addresses for requests to testify:**

Requests to testify must be submitted via the Copyright Office's website form located at <http://www.copyright.gov/1201/> and must be received by 5:00 p.m. E.D.T. on Friday, April 3, 2009. Persons who are unable to send requests via the

website should contact Rob Kasunic, Principal Legal Advisor, Office of the General Counsel at (202) 707-8380 to make alternative arrangements for submission of their requests to testify.

#### **Form and limits on testimony at public hearings:**

There will be time limits on the testimony allowed for persons testifying that will be established after receiving all requests to testify. In order to avoid duplicative and cumulative testimony and to ensure that all relevant issues and viewpoints are addressed, the Office encourages parties with similar interests to select common representatives to testify on behalf of a particular position. A timely request to testify does not guarantee an opportunity to testify at these hearings.

The Copyright Office stresses that factual arguments are at least as important as legal arguments. The hearings provide an opportunity to explain and, in some cases, demonstrate the factual basis of an argument. The Copyright Office encourages persons who wish to testify to provide demonstrations of particular problems or solutions as supplements to testimony. While testimony from attorneys who can articulate legal arguments in support of or in opposition to a proposed exempted class of works is useful, testimony from witnesses who can explain and demonstrate pertinent facts is strongly encouraged by the Office.

If audiovisual demonstrations or handouts will be used at any hearing, the Copyright Office requires submission of such materials to the Copyright Office 48 hours prior to the hearing in order to make this information available to the other witnesses on the same panel, and to ensure technological compatibility. If a demonstration will consist of proprietary hardware or software, witnesses may need to provide representative handouts to be distributed to other witnesses prior to the hearing.

An LCD projector and screen will be available in the hearing rooms. Other electronic or audiovisual equipment necessary for a presentation should be brought by the person testifying. Persons intending to bring such equipment into the Library of Congress, e.g., laptops, slide projectors, etc., are encouraged to give the Office advance notice and to arrive early in order to clear security screening by the Library police.

The Office intends to organize individual sessions of the hearings around particular or related classes of

works proposed for exemption. If a request to testify involves more than one proposed exemption or related exemption, please specify, in order of preference, the proposed exemptions on which you would prefer to testify.

Following receipt of the requests to testify, the Copyright Office will prepare an agenda of the hearings which will be posted on the Copyright Office website at: <http://www.copyright.gov/1201/>. The Copyright Office will also provide additional information on directions and parking for all persons testifying at the Palo Alto, CA round of hearings. To facilitate this process, it is essential that all of the required information listed above be included in a request to testify.

Dated: March 4, 2009

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#### **MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION**

**[MCC FR 09-08]**

#### **Notice of the March 11, 2009 Millennium Challenge Corporation Board of Directors Meeting; Sunshine Act Meeting—Correction**

**AGENCY:** Millennium Challenge Corporation.

**TIME AND DATE:** 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Wednesday, March 11, 2009.

**PLACE:** Department of State, 2201 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20520.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Information on the meeting may be obtained from Romell Cummings via e-mail at [Board@mcc.gov](mailto:Board@mcc.gov) or by telephone at (202) 521-3600.

**STATUS:** Meeting will be closed to the public.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Millennium Challenge Corporation ("MCC") will hold a meeting to discuss issues related to suspension and/or termination of Compact programs with certain countries eligible for assistance under the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003 (MCA); discuss progress on proposed and existing Compacts with certain MCA-eligible countries; discuss MCC's budget outlook for FY 2009 and 2010; discuss MCC's Threshold Program; and consider certain administrative matters. The agenda items are expected to involve the consideration of classified information and the meeting will be closed to the public. These agenda items have been substituted for the items regarding

country selection, and MCC's policy on suspension and termination which appeared in the **Federal Register** notice published Friday, February 27, 2009.

Dated: March 4, 2009.

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Millennium Challenge Corporation.

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## NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** National Mediation Board.

**SUMMARY:** The Director, Office of Administration, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments within 30 days from the date of this publication.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Chief Information Officer, Finance and Administration Department, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Record keeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Currently, the National Mediation Board is soliciting comments concerning the new collection of information in the form of Request for Arbitration Panel for Airline System Boards of Adjustment, Request for Public Law Board Member, Arbitration Services—Pay Voucher for Personal Services, Arbitration Services—Official Travel/Referee Compensation

Authorization, Neutral's Report of Activity Arbitration Services—Personal Data Sheet and is interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the agency; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the agency enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the agency minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: March 3, 2009.

**June D. W. King,**

Director, Office of Administration, National Mediation Board.

#### A. Request for Arbitration Panel for Airline System Boards of Adjustment

*Type of Review:* New Collection.

*Title:* Request for Arbitration Panel for Airlines System Boards of Adjustment.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Airline Carrier and Union Officials.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* Estimate about 80 annually.

*Burden Hours:* 20.

*Abstract:* Section 183 of the Railway Labor Act, 45 U.S.C., 183, provides that the parties to the labor-management disputes in the airline industry must have a procedure for the resolution of disputes involving the interpretation or application of provisions of the collective bargaining agreement. The Railway Labor Act mentions system board of adjustment or arbitration boards as the mechanism for resolution and is silent as to how the neutral arbitrator is to be selected if the parties are unable to agree on an individual. The National Mediation Board provides panels of arbitrators to help the parties in their selection of an arbitrator.

This form is necessary to assist the parties in this process. The parties invoke the process through the submission of this form. The brief information is necessary for the NMB to perform this important function.

#### B. Request for Public Law Board Member

*Type of Review:* New Collection.

*Title:* Request for Public Law Board Member.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Carrier and Union Officials of railroads.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* Estimate 15 annually.

*Burden Hours:* 3.75.

*Abstract:* Section 153, Second, of the Railway Labor Act, 45 U.S.C. 153, Second, governs procedures to be followed by carriers and representatives of employees in the establishment and functioning of special adjustment boards. These special adjustment boards are referred to as public law boards (board). The statute provides that within thirty (30) days from the date a written request is made by an employee representative or carrier official for the establishment of a board, an agreement establishing such board shall be made. If, however, one party fails to designate a member of the board, the party making the request may ask the NMB to designate a member on behalf of the other party. The NMB must designate the representative who, together with the other party constitutes the public board. It will be the task of these two individuals to decide on the terms of the agreement. If these individuals are unable to decide upon the terms, the Railway Labor Act provides that one of these parties may request that the NMB designate a neutral to resolve the remaining matters which are procedural issues. Pursuant to 29 C.F.R. 1207.2, requests for the NMB to appoint either representatives or neutrals must be made on printed forms which may be secured from the NMB.

This form is necessary for the NMB to fulfill its statutory responsibilities. Without this information, the NMB would not be able to assist the railroad labor and management representatives in resolving disputes, which is contrary to the intent of the Railway Labor Act.

#### C. Arbitration Services—Official Travel/Referee Compensation Authorization

*Type of Review:* New Collection.

*Title:* Arbitration Services—Official Travel/Referee Compensation Authorization.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Arbitrators.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* Approximately 624 annually.

*Burden Hours:* 156.

*Abstract:* Section 153, First and Second of the Railway Labor Act, 45 U.S.C. 153, First and Second, provide that the NMB shall compensate arbitrators who resolve the resolves under these sections of the Act. The arbitrator must submit a written request, in advance, for authorization to be compensated for work to be performed. The arbitrator must obtain authorization before performing work. This form is the