taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.) at the above facility. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the Internet at the docket facility's Web site at *http://www.regulations.gov.* 

Ånyone is able to search the electronic form of any written communications and 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.*). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477–78).

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#### Ron Hynes,

Acting Deputy Associate Administrator for Regulatory and Legislative Operations. [FR Doc. 2012–3346 Filed 2–13–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–06–P

# DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

# Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2010-0180]

# Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with part 211 of title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that by a document dated January 26, 2011, the Denton County Transportation Authority (DCTA) has petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2010-0180.

Specifically, DCTA has ordered 11 Stadler Bussnang AG, GTW <sup>2</sup>/<sub>6</sub> Diesel Multiple Units. These vehicles are constructed by a European manufacturer and meet European safety standards for crashworthiness and related safety measures. Currently, these vehicles are being delivered and tested at a DCTA maintenance facility. DCTA now seeks relief from certain requirements of the "Technical Criteria and Procedures for Evaluating the Crashworthiness and Occupant Protection Performance of Alternatively Designed Passenger Rail Equipment for use in Tier I Service." In 2010, FRA formed an Engineering Task Force (ETF) to develop crashworthiness criteria for an alternatively designed and constructed passenger vehicle to be capable of operating on the general railroad system with other compliant Tier 1 equipments.

The waiver petition includes documentation on the following crashworthiness issues as required by ETF-1:

• Collision with Conventional Equipment

- Occupant Volume Integrity
- Colliding Equipment Override
- Fluid Entry Inhibition

End Structure Integrity of Cab End
End Structure Integrity of Non-Cab
End

- Roof Integrity
- Side Structure Integrity
- Truck to Carbody Attachment
- Interior Fixture Attachment Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and

specify the basis for their request. All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

• *Web site: http://www.regulations. gov.* Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

• Fax: 202–493–2251.

• *Mail:* Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W12–140, Washington, DC 20590.

• *Hand Delivery:* 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.–5 p.m.) at the above facility. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the Internet at the docket facility's Web site at *http://www.regulations.gov.* 

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of any written communications and 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.*). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Page 19477), or at *http://www.dot.gov/privacy.html.* 

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#### Ron Hynes,

Acting Deputy Associate Administrator for Regulatory and Legislative Operations. [FR Doc. 2012–3347 Filed 2–13–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–06–P

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

# Notice of Delays in Processing of Special Permits Applications

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

**ACTION:** List of Applications Delayed More than 180 Days.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5117(c), PHMSA is publishing the following list of special permit applications that have been in process for 180 days or more. The reason(s) for delay and the expected completion date for action on each application is provided in association with each identified application.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ryan Paquet, Director, Office of Hazardous Materials Special Permits and Approvals, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, East Building, PHH–30, 1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast, Washington, DC 20590–0001, (202) 366–4535.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Key to "Reason for Delay"

1. Awaiting additional information from applicant.

2. Extensive public comment under review.

3. Application is technically complex and is of significant impact or precedent-setting and requires extensive analysis.

4. Staff review delayed by other priority issues or volume of special permit Applications.

# Meaning of Application Number Suffixes

N—New application. M—Modification request. Issued in Washington, DC, on February 2,

R—Renewal Request.

P—Party To Exemption Request.

2012.

Donald Burger,

Chief, General Approvals and Permits.

Application No.	Applicant	Reason for delay	Estimated date of completion
Modification to Special Permits			
8826–M	Phoenix Air Group, Inc. Cartersville, GA	4	03–31–2012
14909–M	Lake Clark Air, Inc. Port Alsworth, AK	4	03-31-2012
10656–M	Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc. Frankfort, KY	4	03-31-2012
11406–M	Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc. Frankford, KY	4	03-31-2012
12561–M	Rhodia, Inc. Cranbury, NJ	4	03–31–2012
New Special Permit Applications			
14872–N	Arkema, Inc. King of Prussia, PA	4	03-31-2012
14951–N	Lincoln Composites Lincoln, NE	1	03-31-2012
15080–N	Alaska Airlines Seattle, WA	1	03-31-2012
15233–N	ExpressJet Airlines, Inc. Houston, TX	4	03-31-2012
15510–N	TEMSCO Helicopters, Inc. Ketchikan, AK	4	03–31–2012
Party to Special Permits Application			
12134–P	Riceland Foods, Inc. Stuttgart, AR	4	03–31–2012
Renewal Special Permits Applications			
8445–R	Environmental Products & Services, Inc. Syracuse, NY	4	03-31-2012
12443–R	Thatcher Company of Nevada Henderson, NV	4	03-31-2012
14482–R	Classic Helicopters Limited, L.C. Woods Cross, UT	4	03-31-2012
11759–R	E.I. duPont de Neumours & Company, Inc. Wilmington, DE	4	03-31-2012
8723–R	Nelson Brothers Mining Services, LLC Birmingham, AL	4	03-31-2012
11749–R	Occidental Chemical Corporation Dallas, TX	4	03–31–2012
7891–R	Aldrich Chemical Company Inc. Milwaukee, WI	4	03–31–2012
12283–R	Interstate Battery of Alaska Anchorage, AK	4	03–31–2012
10709–R	Schlumberger Technologies Corporation Sugar Land, TX	4	03–31–2012
11227–R	Schlumberger Well Services a Division of Schlumberger Technology Corporation Sugar Land. TX.	4	03–31–2012
9929–R	Alliant Techsystems Inc. Propulsion & Controls (Former Grantee ATK Elkton) Elkton, MD	4	03-31-2012
11903–R	Comptank Corporation Bothwell, ON	4	03–31–2012
4850–R	Schlumberger Technology Corporation Sugar Land, TX	4	03–31–2012

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# DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### **Internal Revenue Service**

# Open Meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Joint Committee

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

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** An open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Joint Committee will be conducted. 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 Wednesday, March 28, 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Susan Gilbert at 1–888–912–1227 or (515) 564–6638. 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 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Joint Committee will be held Wednesday, March 28, 2012, 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time via teleconference. The public is invited to make oral comments or submit written statements for consideration. Notification of intent to participate must be made with Susan Gilbert. For more information please contact Ms. Gilbert at 1-888-912-1227 or (515) 564-6638 or write: TAP Office, 210 Walnut Street, Stop 5115, Des Moines, IA 50309 or contact us at the Web site: http://www.improveirs.org.

The agenda will include various IRS topics.

Dated: February 8, 2012.

#### Shawn Collins,

Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel. [FR Doc. 2012–3354 Filed 2–13–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4830–01–P

# DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

#### **Internal Revenue Service**

# Open Meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Refund Processing Communications Project Committee

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

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** An open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Refund Processing Communications Project Committee will be conducted. 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 Thursday, March 01, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen Smiley at 1–888–912–1227 or 414–231–2360.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section