

The FTA and METRO have completed a SFEIS for the Southeast Corridor Fixed Guideway Transit Project (Southeast Corridor Project). The Southeast Corridor Project will start in downtown Houston; connect to the universities area including Texas Southern University, University of Houston, and the Palm Center; and end at a terminus on Griggs Road and Beekman Road. The light rail will operate in portions of the alignment on both restricted street lanes and an exclusive bi-directional trackway. For the Southeast Corridor Project, METRO will also construct a vehicle storage facility, ten passenger stations, and a traction power electrical system. *Final agency actions:* ROD signed on July 16, 2008; Section 4(f) de minimis impact finding; Section 106 Memorandum of Agreement signed on June 4, 2008; Project-level Air Conformity determination. *Supporting documentation:* Southeast Corridor Fixed Guideway Supplemental Final Environmental Impact Statement (SFEIS) signed on April 25, 2008.

3. *Project name and location:* Portland Streetcar Loop Project, Portland Oregon. *Project sponsor:* Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District (TriMet). *Project description:* The project involves the construction of 3.3 miles of double track rail lines in existing streets and public rights-of-way from NW 10th Avenue and Lovejoy Street in the Pearl District of northwest Portland to the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry in southeast Portland. TriMet plans to construct 18 new station pairs with designs similar to those along the existing Portland Streetcar alignment. The project also includes the purchase of 10 streetcars, expansion of the existing streetcar operations and maintenance facility, roadway improvements, and elimination of some bus line service. *Final agency actions:* FONSI signed on July 2, 2008; Section 106 Finding of No Adverse Effect; Project-level Air Conformity determination; Section 4(f) de minimis impact finding. *Supporting documentation:* Environmental Assessment on the Portland Streetcar Loop Project issued on February 8, 2008.

4. *Project name and location:* Central Florida Commuter Rail Transit Project, Orlando, Florida. *Project sponsor:* Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). *Project description:* FDOT is proposing to operate a commuter rail project on approximately 61 miles of existing freight rail tracks that traverse Orange, Seminole, Volusia, and Osceola counties in the greater metropolitan area of Orlando, Florida. The project will involve the construction of 17 stations

and a new vehicle storage and maintenance facility. On April 27, 2007, FTA issued a FONSI on the Central Florida Commuter Rail Transit (CFCRT) North/South Corridor project stating that the project would not have a significant impact on the environment. Since issuing the FONSI, FDOT made several changes to stations on the CFCRT project and these changes were reviewed in a Supplemental EA approved on May 8, 2008. The final agency actions announced in this notice only concern these project changes which are of limited scope and do not warrant reconsideration of the entire project. *Final agency actions:* FONSI signed on July 22, 2008; Section 106 Finding of No Effect on Historic Properties dated June 20, 2008; Section 4(f) finding. *Supporting documentation:* Supplemental Environmental Assessment on the Central Florida Commuter Rail Transit North/South Corridor Project approved on May 8, 2008.

Issued on: July 24, 2008.

**Susan Borinsky,**

*Associate Administrator for Planning and Environment, Washington, DC.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Surface Transportation Board

[STB Ex Parte No. 670 (Sub-No. 1)]

#### Notice of Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** Surface Transportation Board.

**ACTION:** Notice of Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee (RETAC), pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C., App. 2).

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 17, 2008, beginning at 9 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in the Surface Transportation Board's hearing room on the 1st floor of the agency's headquarters at Patriot's Plaza, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Scott M. Zimmerman at 202-245-0202. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal

Information Relay Service (FIRS) at: (800) 877-8339].

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** RETAC arose from a proceeding instituted by the Board, in *Establishment of a Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee*, STB Ex Parte No. 670. RETAC was formed to provide advice and guidance to the Board, and to serve as a forum for discussion of emerging issues regarding the transportation by rail of energy resources, particularly, but not necessarily limited to, coal, ethanol, and other biofuels. The purpose of this meeting is to continue discussions regarding issues such as rail performance, capacity constraints, infrastructure planning and development, and effective coordination among suppliers, carriers, and users of energy resources.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will be conducted pursuant to RETAC's charter and Board procedures. Further communications about this meeting may be announced through the Board's Web site at <http://www.stb.gov>.

This action will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources.

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 721, 49 U.S.C. 11101; 49 U.S.C. 11121.

Decided: July 24, 2008.

By the Board, Anne K. Quinlan, Acting Secretary.

**Anne K. Quinlan,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Second Draft Report of the Advisory Committee on the Auditing Profession

**AGENCY:** Office of the Undersecretary for Domestic Finance, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Advisory Committee on the Auditing Profession is publishing a Second Draft Report and soliciting public comment.

**DATES:** Comments should be received on or before August 26, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted to the Advisory Committee by any of the following methods:

#### *Electronic Comments*

- Use the Department's Internet submission form (<http://www.treas.gov/offices/domestic-finance/acap/comments>); or