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**EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE  
UNITED STATES**

## Notice of Open Special Meeting of the Advisory Committee of the Export- Import Bank of the United States (Ex- Im Bank)

**SUMMARY:** The Advisory Committee was established by Pub. L. 98-181, November 30, 1983, to advise the Export-Import Bank on its programs and to provide comments for inclusion in the reports of the Export-Import Bank of the United States to Congress.

**TIME AND PLACE:** Wednesday, February 18, 2004, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at Ex-Im Bank in the Main Conference Room 1143, 811 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20571.

**AGENDA:** Agenda items include a discussion of the financing needs of middle market exporters, a status update on previous Advisory Committee recommendations, and an update on Ex-Im Bank related legislative issues.

Public Participation:

The meeting will open to public participation, and the last 10 minutes will be set aside for oral questions or comments. Members of the public may also file written statement(s) before or after the meeting. If any person wishes

auxiliary aids (such as a sign language interpreter) or other special accommodations, please contact, prior to February 12, 2004, Teri Stumpf, Room 1203, 811 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20571, Voice : (202) 565-3502 or TDD (202) 565-3377.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information, contact Teri Stumpf, Room 1203, 811 Vermont Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20571, (202) 565-3502.

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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS  
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## Reminder to Video Programming Distributors Regarding Effective Date for Increase in Captioning Requirements

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This document reminds video programming distributors and the public of the closed captioning benchmarks for new English and Spanish language nonexempt video programming for the period between

January 1, 2004, and December 31, 2005. This document also reminds distributors of their responsibilities regarding pre-rule English and Spanish language programming. As a further reminder, this document notes that the closed captioning requirements discussed herein are separate from video programming distributors' obligations to make emergency information accessible to persons with hearing and vision disabilities as described in 47 CFR 79.2 of the Commission's rules.

**DATES:** January 1, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a summary of the Commission's Public Notice DA 04-2, released January 6, 2004. All closed captioning benchmarks and rules were established to ensure that video programming is accessible to persons who are deaf or hard of hearing in accordance with the mandate of Congress as set forth in § 713 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. To view the FCC's Factsheet summarizing