Section 503(c)(2)(A) of the 1974 Act sets out the two different measures for CNLs. When the President determines that a BDC has exported to the United States during a calendar year either (1) a quantity of a GSP-eligible article having a value in excess of the applicable amount for that year ($170 million for 2015), or (2) a quantity of a GSP-eligible article having a value equal to or greater than 50 percent of the value of total U.S. imports of the article from all countries (the “50 percent CNL”), the President must terminate GSP duty-free treatment for that article from that BDC by no later than July 1 of the next calendar year, unless the President grants a waiver before the exclusion goes into effect. CNLs do not apply to least-developed countries or beneficiaries of the African Growth and Opportunity Act.

Any interested party may submit a petition seeking a waiver of the 2015 CNL for individual beneficiary developing countries with respect to specific GSP-eligible articles. In addition, under section 503(c)(2)(F) of the 1974 Act, the President may waive the 50 percent CNL with respect to an eligible article imported from a BDC, if the value of total imports of that article from all countries during the calendar year did not exceed the applicable de minimis amount for that year ($22.5 million for 2015).

II. Implementation of Competitive Need Limitations

Exclusions from GSP duty-free treatment where CNLs have been exceeded will be effective July 1, 2016, unless the President grants a waiver before the exclusion goes into effect. Exclusions for exceeding a CNL will be based on full 2015 calendar-year import statistics.

III. Interim 2015 Import Statistics

In order to provide advance notice of articles that may exceed the CNLs for 2015, the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative has compiled interim import statistics for the first nine months of 2015 relating to CNLs. This information can be viewed at: https://ustr.gov/issue-areas/preference-programs/generalized-system-preferences-gsp/current-reviews/gsp-2015-annual.


The interim 2015 import statistics are organized to show, for each article, the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheading and BDC of origin, the value of imports of the article from the specified country for the first nine months of 2015, and the corresponding share of total imports of that article from all countries. The list includes the GSP-eligible articles from BDCs that, based on interim, nine-month 2015 data, exceed $110 million dollars, or an amount greater than 42 percent of the total value of U.S. imports of that product. In all, the following 19 products met the criteria to be placed on the list:

- 0410.00.00—Other edible products of animal origin (Indonesia)
- 0804.10.60—Pitted dates (Tunisia)
- 1102.90.25—Rice flour (Thailand)
- 1509.10.40—Virgin olive oil (Tunisia)
- 2102.90.00—Single-cell microorganisms, dead, excluding yeasts (Brazil)
- 2202.90.90—Other nonalcoholic beverages (Thailand)
- 2804.29.00—Rare gases, other than argon (Ukraine)
- 2934.39.97—Nonaromatic drugs of other heterocyclic compounds (India)
- 3917.31.00—Flexible plastic tubes, pipes, and hoses (Brazil)
- 4202.92.04—Insulated beverage bag w/o surface textiles (Philippines)
- 4409.00.05—Coniferous wood continuously shaped along any of its ends (Brazil)
- 6911.10.37—Porcelain or non-bone china, household table & kitchenware sets (Indonesia)
- 7307.21.50—Stainless steel, not cast, flanges for tubes/pipes (India)
- 7307.91.50—Iron or steel (other than stainless), not cast, flanges for tubes/pipes (India)
- 7325.91.00—Iron or steel, cast grinding balls and similar articles for mills (India)
- 8525.80.30—Other television cameras (Thailand)
- 8544.19.00—Insulated (including enameled or anodized) winding wire (Venezuela)
- 8708.50.95—Parts & accessories of motor vehicles, half shafts (India)
- 9001.50.00—Spectacle lenses of materials other than glass (Thailand)

The list published on the USTR Web site includes the relevant nine-month trade statistics for each of these products and is provided as a courtesy for informational purposes only. The list is based on interim 2015 trade data, and may not include all articles that may be affected by the GSP CNLs. Regardless of whether or not an article is included on the list referenced in this notice, all determinations and decisions regarding application of the CNLs of the GSP program will be based on full calendar-year 2015 import data for each GSP-eligible article. Each interested party is advised to conduct its own review of 2015 import data with regard to the possible application of GSP CNLs. Please see the notice announcing the 2015 GSP Review which was published in the Federal Register on August 19, 2015, regarding submission of product petitions requesting a waiver of a CNL. The notice is available at http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=USTR-2015-0013-0001.

William D. Jackson,
Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for the GSP Program, Chairman, GSP Subcommittee of the Trade Policy Staff Committee.

Federal Transit Administration

Notice of Meeting of the Transit Advisory Committee for Safety (TRACS)

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a public meeting via teleconference of the Transit Advisory Committee for Safety (TRACS). TRACS is a Federal Advisory Committee established by the U.S. Secretary of Transportation (the Secretary) in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act to provide information, advice, and recommendations to the Secretary and the Federal Transit Administrator on matters relating to the safety of public transportation systems.

DATES: The TRACS meeting will be held on December 1, 2015, from 1 p.m.–4 p.m. (EST). Contact Bridget Zamperini (see contact information below) on or before November 27, 2015, if you wish to participate.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be conducted via computer based meeting software and/or teleconference and is open for public participation. Instructions for accessing the meeting will be provided to all participants who pre-register with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) before the start of the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bridget Zamperini, Federal Transit Administration, Office of Transit Safety and Oversight, at (202) 366–0306 or TRACS@dot.gov.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is provided in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C. App. 2). As noted above, TRACS is a Federal Advisory Committee established to provide information, advice, and recommendations to the Secretary and the Administrator of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) on matters relating to the safety of public transportation systems. TRACS is currently composed of 28 members representing a broad base of expertise necessary to discharge its responsibilities. The tentative agenda for this meeting of TRACS is set forth below:

Agenda

(1) Welcome Remarks/Introductions
(2) Previously Issued Recommendations
(3) Organizational and Activity Update from the FTA Office of Transit Safety and Oversight (TSO)
(4) Public Comments
(5) Wrap Up

As previously noted, this meeting will be accessible to the public. Persons wishing to participate must contact Bridget Zamperini, Federal Transit Administration, Office of Transit Safety and Oversight, at (202) 366–0306 or TRACS@dot.gov on or before November 27, 2015, to receive the information necessary to access the virtual meeting. Members of the public who wish to make an oral statement during the meeting or require special accommodations are also directed to make a request to Bridget Zamperini at (202) 366–0306 or TRACS@dot.gov on or before November 27, 2015. Provisions will be made to include oral statements on the agenda, if needed. Members of the public may submit written comments or suggestions concerning the activities of TRACS at any time before or after the meeting at TRACS@dot.gov or to the attention of Bridget Zamperini at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration, Office of Transit Safety and Oversight, Room E45–310, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. Information from the meeting will be posted on FTA’s public Web site at http://www.fta.dot.gov/about/13099.html. Written comments submitted to TRACS will also be posted at the above Web address.

Therese W. McMillan,
Acting Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

Meeting Notice—U.S. Marine Transportation System National Advisory Council

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of advisory council public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Maritime Administration (MARAD) announces a public meeting of its U.S. Marine Transportation System National Advisory Council (MTSNAC or Council) to discuss advice and recommendations it would like to provide to the U.S. Department of Transportation for consideration on the development of a National Maritime Strategy, integration of Marine Highways into the national transportation system and options to provide a steady and reliable funding mechanism for port infrastructure development.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 1, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, National Training Center, 1310 N. Courthouse Road, Suite 600, Arlington, VA 22201–2508.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The MTSNAC is a Federal advisory committee within MARAD that advises the U.S. Department of Transportation on issues related to the marine transportation system. The MTSNAC was originally established in 1999 and mandated in 2007 by the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007. The MTSNAC operates in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA).

Agenda

The agenda will include: (1) Welcome, opening remarks and introductions; (2) MTSNAC members discussion on a National Maritime Strategy; (3) subcommittee updates and proposed recommendations and (4) public comment. The meeting agenda will be posted on the MTSNAC Web site at http://www.marad.dot.gov/ports/marine-transportation-system-nts/marine-transportation-system-national-advisory-committee-mtsncac/.

Public Participation

The meeting will be open to the public. Members of the public who wish to attend in person are asked to RSVP to MTSNAC@dot.gov with your name and affiliation no later than November 23, 2015, in order to facilitate entry and guarantee seating.

Services for Individuals with Disabilities: The public meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals requiring accommodations, such as sign language interpretation or other ancillary aids are asked to notify Ms. Tretha Chromey, at (202) 366–1630 or MTSNAC@dot.gov five (5) business days before the meeting.

Written comments: Persons who wish to submit written comments for consideration by the Council must email MTSNAC@dot.gov, or send them to Ms. Tretha Chromey, Acting Designated Federal Officer, Marine Transportation System National Advisory Council, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W21–306, Washington, DC 20590 by November 23, 2015 to provide sufficient time for review. All other comments may be received at any time before or after the meeting.


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By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Dated: November 10, 2015.

T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,
Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

Agency Information Collection Activities: Revision of an Approved Information Collection; Comment Request; Company-Run Annual Stress Test Reporting Template and Documentation for Covered Institutions With Total Consolidated Assets of $50 Billion or More Under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act


ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

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