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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For more information contact Marsha Thurman, Overseas Security Advisory Council, Bureau of Diplomatic Security, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20522-2008, phone: 571-345-2214.

Dated: September 14, 2016.

Bill A. Miller,

Director of the Diplomatic, Security Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 9763]

Defense Trade Advisory Group; Notice of Open Meeting

SUMMARY: The Defense Trade Advisory Group (DTAG) will meet in open session from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 1777 F Street NW., Washington, DC 20006. Entry and registration will begin at 12:30 p.m. The membership of this advisory committee consists of private sector defense trade representatives, appointed by the Assistant Secretary of State for Political-Military Affairs, who advise the Department on policies, regulations, and technical issues affecting defense trade. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss current defense trade issues and topics for further study.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information, contact Ms. Glennis Gross-Peyton, PM/DDTC, SA-1, 12th Floor, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20522-0112; telephone (202) 663-2862; FAX (202) 261-8199; or email DTAG@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following agenda topics will be discussed: (1) Review past DTAG reports on issues previously examined and identify those issues/reports that remain relevant, warrant further DTAG review/update, and should be considered by DDTC for implementation; (2) Identify and recommend to DDTC new issues for DTAG to review; (3) Organize all (past and new) issues into a list of priorities for DTAG action and DDTC consideration.

Members of the public may attend this open session and will be permitted to participate in the discussion in accordance with the Chair's instructions. Members of the public may, if they wish, submit a brief statement to the committee in writing.

As seating is limited to 125 persons, those wishing to attend the meeting must notify the DTAG Alternate Designated Federal Officer (DFO) by COB Friday, November 4, 2016. Members of the public requesting reasonable accommodation must also notify the DTAG Alternate DFO by that date. If notified after this date, the Department will be unable to accommodate requests due to requirements at the meeting location. Each non-member observer or DTAG member that wishes to attend this plenary session should provide: His/her name and identifying data such as driver's license number, U.S. Government ID, or U.S. Military ID, to the DTAG Alternate DFO, Lisa Aguirre, via email at DTAG@state.gov. One of the following forms of valid photo identification will be required for admission to the meeting: U.S. driver's license, passport, U.S. Government ID or other valid photo ID.

Dated: October 5, 2016.

Lisa V. Aguirre,

Alternate Designated Federal Officer, Defense Trade Advisory Group, Department of State.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. AB 55 (Sub-No. 765X)]

CSX Transportation, Inc.— Discontinuance of Service Exemption—in Dickenson and Buchanan Counties, VA

CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT), filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR part 1152, subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments and Discontinuances of Service* to discontinue service over an approximately 5.6-mile rail line on its Southern Region, Florence Division and Kingsport Subdivision, between milepost ZH 0.0 in Haysi and milepost 5.6 in Dickenson and Buchanan Counties, Va. (the Line). The Line traverse U.S. Postal Service Zip Codes 24256, 24627, and 24656, and includes the stations of: (1) Haysi at milepost ZH 0.0 (FSAC 50011/OPSL 24520); (2) Pittco at milepost ZH 0.2 (FSAC 50350/OPSL 24535); (3) Berta at milepost ZH 0.3 (FSAC 50012/OPSL 24525); (4) CC at milepost ZH 0.4 (FSAC 50014/OPSL 24530); and (5) Crooked Branch at milepost ZH 3.2 (FSAC 50015/OPSL 24532). CSXT states that all stations on the Line but Haysi can be closed.

CSXT has certified that: (1) No local freight traffic has moved over the Line for at least two years; (2) there is no overhead traffic on the Line; (3) no

formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the Line (or by a state or local government entity acting on behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service over the Line is pending either with the Surface Transportation Board or any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of a complainant within the two-year period; and (4) the requirements at 49 CFR 1105.12 (newspaper publication) and 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) (notice to governmental agencies) have been met.

As a condition to this exemption, any employee adversely affected by the discontinuance of service shall be protected under *Oregon Short Line Railroad—Abandonment Portion Goshen Branch Between Firth & Ammon, in Bingham & Bonneville Counties, Idaho*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979). To address whether this condition adequately protects affected employees, a petition for partial revocation under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) must be filed.

Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) to subsidize continued rail service has been received, this exemption will become effective on November 18, 2016, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues and formal expressions of intent to file an OFA to subsidize continued rail service under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2)¹ must be filed by October 28, 2016.² Petitions to reopen must be filed by November 8, 2016, with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001.

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to CSXT's representative: Louis E. Gitomer, Law Offices of Louis E. Gitomer, LLC, 600 Baltimore Avenue, Suite 301, Towson, MD 21204.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at WWW.STB.GOV.

Decided: October 14, 2016.

By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell,
Director, Office of Proceedings.

Kenyatta Clay,
Clearance Clerk.

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¹ Each OFA must be accompanied by the filing fee, which is currently set at \$1,600. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

² Because this is a discontinuance proceeding and not an abandonment, interim trail use/rail banking and public use conditions are not appropriate. Because there will be an environmental review during abandonment, this discontinuance does not require an environmental review.