ACTION: Notice announcing updated penalty inflation adjustments for civil monetary penalties for 2017.

SUMMARY: The Social Security Administration is providing notice of its adjusted maximum civil monetary penalties. These amounts are effective beginning January 15, 2017. These figures represent an annual adjustment for inflation. The updated figures and notification are required by the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015 (the 2015 Act).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph E. Gangloff, Chief Counsel to the Inspector General, Room 3–ME–1, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235–6401, (410) 966–4440, both directly and for IPTTY. For information on eligibility or filing for benefits, call the Social Security Administration’s national toll-free number, 1–800–772–1213 or TTY 1–800–325–0778, or visit the Social Security Administration’s Internet site, Social Security Online, at http://www.socialsecurity.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 27, 2016, we published an interim final rule to adjust the maximum level of civil monetary penalties (CMP) under sections 1129 and 1140 of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1320a–8 and 1320b–10, with an initial “catch-up”
adjustment effective August 1, 2016.² We announced in the interim final rule that for any future adjustments, we will publish a notice in the Federal Register with the new amounts. The annual inflation adjustment in subsequent years must be a cost-of-living adjustment based on any increases in the October Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI–U) (not seasonally adjusted) each year.³ In addition, inflation adjustment increases must be rounded to the nearest multiple of $1.⁴ Based on Omb of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance, the information below serves as public notice of the new maximum penalty amounts for 2017. The adjustments result in the following new maximum penalties, which will be effective January 15, 2017.

Section 1129 CMPs (42 U.S.C. 1320a–8):

$7,500.00 (current maximum for fraud facilitators in a position of trust) × 1.01636 (OMB-issued inflationary adjustment multiplier) = $7,622.70. When rounded to the nearest dollar, the new maximum penalty is $7,623.00.

$7,954.00 (current maximum for all other violators) × 1.01636 (OMB-issued inflationary adjustment multiplier) = $8,084.13. When rounded to the nearest dollar, the new maximum penalty is $8,084.00.

Section 1140 CMPs (42 U.S.C. 1320b–10):

$49,467.00 (current maximum per broadcast, telecast, or dissemination, viewing, or accessing of an electronic and/or internet communication) × 1.01636 (OMB-issued inflationary adjustment multiplier) = $50,276.00. When rounded to the nearest dollar, the new maximum penalty is $50,276.00.

$9,893.00 (current maximum for all other violations) × 1.01636 (OMB-issued inflationary adjustment multiplier) = $10,054.85. When rounded to the nearest dollar, the new maximum penalty is $10,054.00.

Dated: December 21, 2016.

Gale Stallworth Stone,

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 9822]

Regional Meeting of the Binational Bridges and Border Crossings Group in Fort Worth, Texas

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Delegates from the United States and Mexican governments, the states of Texas and New Mexico, and the Mexican states of Chihuahua, Coahuila, Nuevo Leon, and Tamaulipas will participate in a regional meeting of the U.S.-Mexico Binational Bridges and Border Crossings Group on Wednesday, January 25, 2017 in Fort Worth, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss operational matters involving existing and proposed international bridges and border crossings and their related infrastructure and to exchange technical information as well as views on policy. This meeting will include a public session on Wednesday, January 25, 2017, from 8:45 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. This session will allow proponents of proposed bridges and border crossings and related projects to make presentations to the delegations and members of the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information on the meeting and to attend the public session, please contact Linda Neilan in the Office of Mexican Affairs’ Border Affairs Unit via email at WHABorderAffairs@state.gov, by phone at 202–647–9894, or by mail at Office of Mexican Affairs—Room 3924, Department of State, 2201 C St. NW., Washington, DC 20520.

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Office of Mexican Affairs, Department of State.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Release of Waybill Data

The Surface Transportation Board has received a request from RSI Logistics (WB16–57–12/21/16) for permission to use certain unmasked data from the Board’s 2014 Carload Waybill Sample. A copy of this request may be obtained from the Office of Economics.

The waybill sample contains confidential railroad and shipper data; therefore, if any parties object to these requests, they should file their objections with the Director of the Board’s Office of Economics within 14 calendar days of the date of this notice.


Jeffrey Herzig,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE–2016–130]

Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Leading Edge Associates, Inc.

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public’s awareness of, and participation in, the FAA’s exemption process. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number and must be received on or before January 18, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Send comments identified by docket number FAA–2016–9423 using any of the following methods:
• Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and follow the online instructions for sending your comments electronically.
• Mail: Send comments to Docket Operations, M–30; U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W12–140, West Building Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590–0001.
• Hand Delivery or Courier: Take comments to Docket Operations in Room W12–140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
• Fax: Fax comments to Docket Operations at 202–493–2251.

Privacy: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to