

internal personnel rules and practices of the sponsor agencies and the disclosure of information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. 1009(d), portions of advisory committee meetings may be closed to the public where the head of the agency to which the advisory committee reports determines that such portion of such meeting may be closed to the public in accordance with subsection (c) of section 552b of title 5, United States Code. The determination shall be in writing and shall contain the reasons for the determination. A determination has been made in writing by the U.S. Government Accountability Office, the U.S. Department of the Treasury, and the Office of Management and Budget, as required by section 10(d) of FACA, that such portions of the meetings may be closed to the public in accordance with subsection (c) of section 552b of title 5, United States Code.

Authority: 31 U.S.C. 3511(d); Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. 1001–1014)

Dated: October 15, 2026.

Monica R. Valentine,
Executive Director.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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Establishment of the 4.9 GHz Band Manager Selection Federal Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice of intent to establish a Federal Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) is publishing this notice to announce the intent to establish of 4.9 GHz Band Manager Selection Federal Advisory Committee (FAC). The Commission has determined that establishing the Committee is necessary and in the public interest.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with section 9(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. 1008, and 41 CFR 102–3.60(a), 102–3.65, and 102–3.35, the Commission is announcing the intent to establish the 4.9 GHz Band Manager Selection Committee (4.9 GHz Committee) and providing herein the Commission-approved public interest determination. The 4.9 GHz Committee’s objectives and scope of activities are to provide the Commission with advice and recommendations on the selection of a 4.9 GHz Band Manager to coordinate operations in the 4.9 GHz band (4940–4990 MHz) through optimizing public safety use, facilitating the integration of the latest commercially available technologies and benefitting public safety users. The 4.9 GHz Committee will receive and review proposals from persons or entities seeking to serve as Band Manager and to hold the Band Manager overlay license. The 4.9 GHz Committee will operate for no more than one year from the date of establishment unless the Commission directs that it terminate on an earlier date. A copy of the charter will be posted on the Agency’s website at www.fcc.gov.

Public Interest Determination

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.60(a), to establish, renew, reestablish, or merge a discretionary (agency discretion) advisory committee, an agency must first consult with the General Services Administration’s Committee Management Secretariat (the Secretariat) and, as part of the consultation, provide a written public interest determination approved by the head of the agency to the Secretariat with a copy to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). In addition, pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.35, an agency shall follow the same consultation process and document in writing the same determination of need before creating a subcommittee under a discretionary committee that is not made up entirely of members of a parent advisory committee. The Commission provides the following information to demonstrate that establishing the 4.9 GHz Committee is in the public interest:

1. *Annual budget:* The estimated annual operating cost for supporting the 4.9 GHz Band Manager Selection Committee is \$406,822.44.

a. *Federal personnel on a full-time equivalent (FTE) basis:* \$350,709

(annual salary of two full-time employees).

b. *Other Federal internal costs:* Additional 16% (\$56,113.44).

c. *Proposed payments to members:* Members will not be compensated.

d. *Proposed number of members:* A minimum of seven members.

e. *Reimbursable costs:* \$0.

2. *If applicable, the total dollar value of grants expected to be recommended during the fiscal year:* N/A.

3. *Criteria for selecting members to ensure the 4.9 GHz Committee has the necessary expertise and fairly balanced membership:* The FCC envisioned in the Seventh R&O in WP Docket No. 07–100 (38 FCC Rcd at 712, para. 21) that the Band Manager would be recommended by a selection committee “that represents and ensures the involvement of the relevant stakeholders, in particular the public safety community.” The Commission in the Eighth R&O in WP Docket No. 07–100 (39 FCC Rcd at 12066, para. 52) also delegated “broad authority” to the Public Safety and Homeland Security and Wireless Telecommunications Bureaus “to establish the procedures by which a selection committee will be chosen, identify representatives to sit on the selection committee, determine the requisite number of selection committee members, identify the applicable selection criteria, and establish the appropriate procedures and appropriate oversight for the selection process as part of choosing the Band Manager.”

4. *List of all other Federal advisory committees of the Agency:*

In addition to the proposed 4.9 GHz Band Manager Selection Committee, the FCC has four FACA Committees:

- a. Communications Security, Reliability and Interoperability Council
- b. Consumer Protection and Accessibility Advisory Committee
- c. Technological Advisory Council
- d. World Radiocommunication Conference Advisory Committee

5. *Justification that the information or advice provided by the committee or subcommittee is not available from another Federal advisory committee, another Federal Government source, or any other more cost-effective and less burdensome source:* The FCC regulates interstate and international communications by radio, television, wire, satellite, and cable in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and U.S. territories. The Commission is a U.S. government agency overseen by Congress and is the federal agency responsible for implementing and enforcing America’s communications law and regulations. Specifically, in its

work facing economic opportunities and challenges associated with rapidly evolving advances in global communications, the agency capitalizes on its competencies in: promoting competition, innovation and investment in broadband services and facilities, supporting the nation's economy by ensuring an appropriate competitive framework for the unfolding of the communications revolution, encouraging the highest and best use of spectrum domestically and internationally, revising media regulations so that new technologies flourish alongside diversity and localism, and providing leadership in strengthening the defense of the nation's communications infrastructure. The Band Manager selection requires a committee whose sole focus is for carrying out the selection process. The 4.9 GHz Committee will receive and review proposals, select proposals, and make recommendations in line with particular functions appropriate for a Band Manager. The 4.9 GHz Committee is the most cost-effective way to complete this task, particularly since the Commission does not compensate members and does not provide for members' travel expenses and accommodation for meetings. Additionally, the FAC will use minimal employees and only account for a small portion of those employees' overall responsibilities.

6. *If this is a renewal or reestablishment, summarize the committee's previous accomplishments and the reasons it needs to continue:* N/A. This is to establish a new FAC.

7. *Explanation of why the committee/subcommittee is essential to the conduct of Agency business:* The 4.9 GHz Committee shall support the mission of the Commission to make available for all people of the U.S. a rapid, efficient, nationwide, and worldwide wire and radio communication service at reasonable charges through the advisement on the selection of a Band Manager for the 4.9 GHz band by ensuring the person[s] or entity it believes is best suited to perform the Band Manager role is recommended to the Commission through particular criteria and oversight. The 4.9 GHz Committee's responsibility to receive and review proposals for persons or entities to serve as the Band Manager is essential since, once selected, the Band Manager will be eligible to apply for a nationwide overlay license and authorized to enter into a sharing agreement with the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet). This 4.9 GHz Committee will focus on the following functions: facilitating

frequency coordination and interference protection for 4.9 GHz band incumbent public safety operations, including working with incumbent licensees to optimize their spectrum use; developing a spectrum plan for, among other things, incentivizing the use of the latest commercially available technologies, including 5G; entering into and managing a sharing agreement with FirstNet, or similar network, pursuant to §§ 90.1207(h) and 2.103(b) of the Commission's rules; mediating disputes between 4.9 GHz licensees or between licensees and FirstNet, developing and maintaining a plan to maintain the financial viability of the Band Manager; and filing an annual report with the Commission.

In conclusion, this public interest determination documents that establishing the 4.9 GHz Committee is in the public interest, essential to the conduct of FCC business, and that the information to be obtained is not already available through another advisory committee or source within the Federal Government.

Federal Communications Commission.

David Furth,

Deputy Bureau Chief, Policy Division, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Notice of Agreements Filed

The Commission hereby gives notice of filing of the following agreement under the Shipping Act of 1984. Interested parties may submit comments, relevant information, or documents regarding the agreement to the Secretary by email at Secretary@fmc.gov, or by mail, Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, Washington, DC 20573. Comments will be most helpful to the Commission if received within 12 days of the date this notice appears in the **Federal Register**, and the Commission requests that comments be submitted within 7 days on agreements that request expedited review. Copies of agreements are available through the Commission's website (www.fmc.gov) or by contacting the Office of General Counsel at (202) 523–5740 or GeneralCounsel@fmc.gov.

Agreement No.: 201315–003.

Agreement Name: NYSA–ILA Assessment Agreement.

Parties: International Longshoremen's Association, AFL–CIO; and New York Shipping Association, Inc.

Filing Party: Richard Ciampi, The Lambos Firm, LLP.

Synopsis: The Amendment simplifies reporting and auditing by eliminating the measurement ton concept and moving to a weight ton basis. The Amendment also clarifies assessments on certain new from the manufacturer vehicles under 15,000 pounds (autos, trucks and RVs) which are to be assessed on a unit rate versus used vehicles and other machinery which are to be assessed on a weight ton basis. Loaded Mafis are to be assessed on a unit basis.

Proposed Effective Date: 10/14/2026.

Location: <https://www2.fmc.gov/eAgreementsSP/Public/AgreementHistory/22427>.

Dated: October 16, 2026.

Jennifer Everling,

Assistant Secretary.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 *et seq.*) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR part 225), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The public portions of the applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, if any, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank(s) indicated below and at the offices of the Board of Governors. This information may also be obtained on an expedited basis, upon request, by contacting the appropriate Federal Reserve Bank and from the Board's Freedom of Information Office at <https://www.federalreserve.gov/foia/request.htm>. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)).

Comments received are subject to public disclosure. In general, comments received will be made available without change and will not be modified to remove personal or business information including confidential, contact, or other identifying information. Comments should not