SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
[Declaration of Disaster #3559]
Commonwealth of Puerto Rico
(Amendment #4)

In accordance with a notice received from the Department of Homeland Security—Federal Emergency Management Agency, effective January 20, 2004, the above numbered declaration is hereby amended to extend the deadline for filing applications for physical damages as a result of this disaster to February 4, 2004.

All other information remains the same, i.e., the deadline for filing applications for economic injury the deadline is August 23, 2004. (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 59002 and 59008).

Herbert L. Mitchell, Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
[Public Notice 4584]

SUMMARY: Professor David Martin will brief on his findings and on his draft report on Friday, February 6, 2004, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Both documents are accessible at http://www.state.gov/g/prm/refadm/rls/rpts/2003/28258.htm [Draft Summary of Principal Findings]; http://www.state.gov/g/prm/refadm/rls/ rpts/2003/28257.htm (Draft Report). The meeting will be held at the Refugee Processing Center, 1401 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 700, Arlington, VA. The meeting’s purpose is twofold: (1) Presentation of the draft report by Professor Martin, and (2) audience comments, suggestions and questions. Public input will be given careful consideration in preparation of the final report.

Seating is limited. Persons wishing to attend this meeting must notify the Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration at (202) 663–1481 by 5 p.m. (e.s.t.) Tuesday, February 3, 2004 (no exceptions), to arrange for admission (please provide full name and organization). Persons wishing to present oral comments at the open portion of the meeting or to submit written comments for consideration must provide them in writing by 5 p.m. (e.s.t.) February 3, 2004 (again, no exceptions). All comments may be faxed to (202) 663–1002 or to gaertnernr@state.gov.

Margaret Pollack, Director, Multilateral Coordination and External Relations, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Office of the Secretary
[Draft No. OST 96–1960]
Amendments to Air Carrier Family Assistance Plans Pursuant to Vision 100—Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, (OST) DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department is publishing the following notices regarding the obligation of air carriers to amend their Family Assistance Plans in accordance with section 809 of Vision 100—Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act (Pub. L. 108–176; 117 Stat. 2490, December 12, 2003).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dayton Lehman, Jr., Deputy Assistant General Counsel, Office of Aviation Enforcement and Proceedings (C–70), 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366–9349.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Requirement That Air Carriers Amend Plans To Address the Needs of Families of Passengers Involved in Aircraft Accidents

This is to advise certificated air carriers that the Vision 100—Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act (Pub. L. 108–176, 117 Stat. 2490, December 12, 2003) amends 49 U.S.C. 41113(b) to require, among other things, that certificated air carriers submit to the Department of Transportation (Department) and the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) additional assurances for their respective plans to address the needs of families of passengers involved in aircraft accidents. The content and filing requirements for the update to the plans applicable to certificated air carriers are set forth in section 809 of Vision 100. A copy of section 809 and an electronic version of this document are available on the World Wide Web at http://dms.dot.gov.

The additional assurances required to be submitted are described in paragraph (a)(2) of section 809 of Vision 100. In accordance with paragraph (c), certificated air carriers must submit their updated plans to the Department and the NTSB within 90 days of the statute’s enactment. Since Vision 100 was signed into law on December 12, 2003, updated plans are due to be filed not later than March 11, 2004. Plans should be submitted to the Department and the NTSB at the following addresses:

Dockets—Dockets OST 96–1960, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Room PL 401, Washington, DC 20590.

Erik Grosof, Office of Transportation Disaster Assistance, National Transportation Safety Board, 490 L’Enfant Plaza, SW., Washington, DC 20594.

Each certificated air carrier should submit its plan in its entirety, that is, the plan as it exists with the new assurances as set forth in Vision 100. We expect each certificated air carrier to give a high priority to the timely preparation and submission of its updated plan. We note that the requirements of section 41113 apply to all certificated air carriers, including those holding cargo-only authority and those operating small aircraft. We also emphasize that, if a carrier chooses to contract with an outside source to act as a point of contact and to provide services covered in the assurances, full responsibility for complying with the provisions of the law nevertheless remains with the carrier.

We would also like to take this opportunity to request, on behalf of the NTSB, that each air carrier provide the NTSB an updated 24-hour telephone number for its operations center for use in the event of an emergency, and that the number be updated with the NTSB in the future as necessary.

Questions concerning applicability of the requirements of section 41113 to a particular air carrier should be addressed to Dayton Lehman, Jr., Deputy Assistant General Counsel for Aviation Enforcement and Proceedings, DOT, at (202) 366–9342.