

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance.)

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## FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

[FEMA-1257-DR]

### Texas; Amendment No. 6 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency  
Management Agency (FEMA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice amends the notice of a major disaster for the State of Texas, (FEMA-1257-DR), dated October 21, 1998, and related determinations.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** December 1, 1998.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Madge Dale, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3260.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice of a major disaster for the State of Texas, is hereby amended to include following area among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of October 21, 1998:

San Patricio County for Public Assistance (already designated Individual Assistance). (The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 83.537, Community Disaster Loans; 83.538, Cora Brown Fund Program; 83.539, Crisis Counseling; 83.540, Disaster Legal Services Program; 83.541, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 83.542, Fire Suppression Assistance; 83.543, Individual and Family Grant (IFG) Program; 83.544, Public Assistance Grants; 83.545, Disaster Housing Program; 83.548, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

**Lacy E. Suiter,**

*Executive Associate Director, Response and Recovery Directorate.*

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## FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

### Notice of Agreement(s) Filed

The Commission hereby gives notice of the filing of the following agreement(s) under the Shipping Act of 1984.

Interested parties can review or obtain copies of agreements at the Washington,

DC offices of the Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, N.W., Room 962. Interested parties may submit comments on an agreement to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573, within 10 days of the date this notice appears in the **Federal Register**.

**Agreement No.:** 217-011624-002

**Title:** Lykes/MLL Space Charter Agreement

#### Parties:

Mexican Line Limited ("MLL")

Lykes Lines Limited, LLC ("Lykes")

**Synopsis:** The proposed amendment would add United States North Atlantic ports to the geographic scope of the Agreement and outline the amount of space Lykes will make available to MLL under the Agreement. The amendment would also permit MLL to make available to Lykes space MLL has access to in other space chartering agreements under which MLL serves North Atlantic ports.

**Agreement No.:** 224-201006-001

**Title:** Ceres Gulf, Inc./Port of New Orleans Lease

#### Parties:

Ceres Gulf, Inc.

The Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans

**Synopsis:** The proposed amendment revises the leased premises under the basic lease and the schedule of rental rates applied to the number of loaded containers moved through the leased premises.

**Agreement No.:** 224-201065

**Title:** New Orleans Marine Contractors, Inc./Port of New Orleans Lease

#### Parties:

New Orleans Marine Contractors, Inc.

The Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans

**Synopsis:** Under the proposed agreement, the port will lease certain premises to the lessee for an initial period of three years.

**Agreement No.:** 224-201066

**Title:** Maritrend, Inc./Port of New Orleans Lease

#### Parties:

Maritrend, Inc.

The Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans

**Synopsis:** Under the proposed agreement, the port will lease certain premises to the lessee for an initial period of one year.

By Order of the Federal Maritime Commission.

Dated: December 8, 1998.

**Joseph C. Polking,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

### Ocean Freight Forwarder License Revocations

The Federal Maritime Commission hereby gives notice that the following freight forwarder licenses have been revoked pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. app. 1718) and the regulations of the Commission pertaining to the licensing of ocean freight forwarders, effective on the corresponding revocation dates shown below:

**LICENSE NUMBER:** 2264

**NAME:** Elizabeth Ann Lumpkin and Jimmy Franklin Lumpkin, Partners, d/b/a J.F. Lumpkin, CHB

**ADDRESS:** 190 Lime Quarry Road, Suite 110, Madison, AL 35758

**DATE REVOKED:** October 22, 1998

**REASON:** Failed to maintain a valid surety bond

**LICENSE NUMBER:** 1877

**NAME:** John F. Mahoney d/b/a

Mahoney Export Services

**ADDRESS:** 400 Valley Drive, Brisbane, CA 94005

**DATE REVOKED:** October 30, 1998

**REASON:** Failed to maintain a valid surety bond

**LICENSE NUMBER:** 4017

**NAME:** William J. Siemens, III

**ADDRESS:** 2209 Tilden Way, Bakersfield, CA 93309

**DATE REVOKED:** October 29, 1998

**REASON:** Surrendered license voluntarily

**Bryant L. VanBrakle,**

*Director, Bureau of Tariffs, Certification and Licensing.*

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## FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

### Ocean Freight Forwarder License Applicants

Notice is hereby given that the following applicants have filed with the Federal Maritime Commission applications for licenses as ocean freight forwarders pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. app. 1718 and 46 CFR 510).

Persons knowing of any reason why any of the following applicants should not receive a license are requested to contact the Office of Freight Forwarders, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, D.C. 20573.

**World Shipping America Inc.,** 333

Sylvan Avenue, Suite 209, Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632, Officers: Kun Zhang, President, Joseph Chin Aleong, Vice President.

*Drake International, Inc.*, 1590 Phoenix Blvd., Suite 260, College Park, GA 30349-5462, Officer: Augustine E. Clarke, III, President.

Dated: December 8, 1998.

**Joseph C. Polking,**  
Secretary.

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**TIME AND DATE:** 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, December 16, 1998.

**PLACE:** Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, C Street entrance between 20th and 21st Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

**STATUS:** Open.

#### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

##### *Discussion Agenda:*

1. Proposed 1999 Federal Reserve Bank budgets.
2. Any items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

**Note:** This meeting will be recorded for the benefit of those unable to attend. Cassettes will be available for listening in the Board's Freedom of Information Office, and copies may be ordered for \$6 per cassette by calling 202-452-3684 or by writing to: Freedom of Information Office, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, D.C. 20551.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Lynn S. Fox, Assistant to the Board; 202-452-3204.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** You may call 202-452-3206 for a recorded announcement of this meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov> for an electronic announcement. (The Web site also includes procedural and other information about the open meeting.)

Dated: December 9, 1998.

**Jennifer J. Johnson,**  
Secretary of the Board.

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**TIME AND DATE:** Approximately 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, December 16, 1998, following a recess at the conclusion of the open meeting.

**PLACE:** Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

**STATUS:** Closed.

#### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.
2. Any matters carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Lynn S. Fox, Assistant to the Board; 202-452-3204.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** You may call 202-452-3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Dated: December 9, 1998.

**Jennifer J. Johnson,**  
Secretary of the Board.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Health Care Financing Administration [HCFA-4002-GNC]

RIN 0938-AJ15

#### Medicare Program; Criteria and Standards for Evaluating Intermediary and Carrier Performance: Millennium Compliance

**AGENCY:** Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), HHS.

**ACTION:** General notice with comment period.

**SUMMARY:** This notice revises the criteria and standards to be used for evaluating the performance of fiscal intermediaries and carriers in the administration of the Medicare program. This revision establishes a performance standard requiring these contractors to meet requirements for millennium compliance. We require contractors to certify that they have made all necessary system(s) changes and have tested those systems in accordance with HCFA guidelines.

**DATES:** *Effective date:* This notice is effective December 11, 1998.

*Comment date:* Comments will be considered if we receive them at the appropriate address, as provided below,

no later than 5 p.m. on February 9, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail written comments (1 original and 3 copies) to the following address:

Health Care Financing Administration,  
Department of Health and Human Services, Attention: HCFA-4002-GNC, P.O. Box 31850, Baltimore, MD 21207-8850

If you prefer, you may deliver your written comments (1 original and 3 copies) to one of the following addresses:

Room 309-G, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, D.C. 20201, or Room C5-09-26, 7500 Security Blvd, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850.

Comments may also be submitted electronically to the following e-mail address: HCFA4002GNC@hcfa.gov. E-mail comments must include the full name, postal address, and affiliation (if applicable) of the sender and must be submitted to the referenced address to be considered. All comments must be incorporated in the e-mail message because we may not be able to access attachments.

Because of staffing and resource limitations, we cannot accept comments by facsimile (FAX) transmission. In commenting, please refer to file code HCFA-4002-GNC-N. Comments received timely will be available for public inspection as they are received, generally beginning approximately 3 weeks after publication of a document, in Room 309-G of the Department's offices at 200 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC, on Monday through Friday of each week from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Phone: 202-690-7890).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sue Lathroum, (410) 786-7409; Rich Morrison, (410) 786-7142.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### **I. Background**

Section 1816 of the Social Security Act (the Act) authorizes us to enter into agreements with fiscal intermediaries to determine whether medical services are covered under Medicare and determine correct payment amounts. The intermediaries then make payments to the health care providers on behalf of the beneficiaries. Section 1816(f) of the Act requires us to develop criteria, standards, and procedures to evaluate an intermediary's performance of its functions under its agreement.

Section 1842 of the Act authorizes us to enter into contracts with carriers for the payment of Part B claims for Medicare-covered services. Under