

implementation of the planned conversion and its subsequent maintenance and operation;

(22) An environmental assessment using an interdisciplinary approach in identifying the type, degree, effect, and probability of occurrence of potential environmental impacts due to the conversion to an intermodal passenger terminal; and

(23) Any other information that the Administrator may require.

(f) *Execution and filing of applications.*

(1) The original application shall bear the date of execution and be signed by the Chief Executive Officer of the applicant or by the applicant, where the applicant is an individual. Each person required to execute an application shall execute a certificate in the form of appendix A hereto.

(2) The original application and two (2) copies shall be filed with the Federal Railroad Administrator, Department of Transportation, 400 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20590. Each copy shall show the dates and signatures that appear in the original and shall be complete in itself.

(3) Pre-applications for demonstration funds must be submitted to the Administrator no later than August 21, 1978. Applications for planning, preservation and demonstration funds must be submitted to the Administrator no later than September 19, 1978. Applications received after these deadlines will not be considered for funding, unless all funds are not granted to applicants who have met the application deadline.

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§ 256.13 Review and approval of applications.

(a) *Pre-applications.* Pre-applications for demonstration funds shall be reviewed by the Administrator in consultation with the Chairman and the Council.

(b) *Applications.* The Administrator shall review applications in consultation with the Chairman and the Council and select and monitor projects most likely to accomplish the following goals:

(1) Demonstrate the capabilities of intermodal terminals to provide a more effective means of passenger

interchange between various modes of transportation;

(2) Demonstrate the advantages of joint use terminal facilities to carriers;

(3) Demonstrate a more comprehensive and effective network of energy efficient surface common carrier transportation services through improving coordinated interline intermodal exchange at selected intermodal passenger terminals distinguished by coordinated information systems, schedules, and through ticketing and baggage handling;

(4) Evaluate user response to such coordinated interline intermodal transportation services, and to joint carrier use of terminal facilities;

(5) Demonstrate the potential of underutilized railroad passenger terminals of historical and architectural distinction for improving intermodal passenger transportation services and for providing an appropriate focal point for civic and cultural activities;

(6) Stimulate local public and private investment, by transportation carriers and others, in improved intercity and local public transportation facilities and services;

(7) Encourage the preservation of railroad passenger terminals pending the formulation of plans for reuse; and

(8) Encourage the development of plans for the conversion of railroad passenger terminals into intermodal passenger terminals, which may incorporate civic and cultural activities where feasible.

(c) *Preferential consideration.* In reviewing applications for planning funds, the Administrator shall give preferential consideration to applicants whose completed designs and plans will be implemented and effectuated within three years after the date of completion.

(d) *Approval within 90 days.* The Administrator will approve or deny each application within 90 days of the submission dates set forth in §256.11(f)(3) and the Administrator will promptly notify in writing each applicant whose application has been approved.

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