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DATES: MERPAC will conduct a working group meeting of the full committee on Monday, March 30, 1998, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will conduct an official full committee meeting on Tuesday, March 31, 1998, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before March 16, 1998.

ADDRESSES: MERPAC will meet on both days in room 2415 of U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. Send written material and requests to make oral presentations to Commander Steven J. Boyle, Commandant (G-MSO-1), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Commander Steven J. Boyle, Executive Director of MERPAC, or Mr. Mark C. Gould, Assistant to the Executive Director, telephone 202-267-0229, fax 202-267-4570, or e-mail mgould@comdt.uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of these meetings is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

Agenda of March 31, 1998, Public Meeting

Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee (MERPAC)

The agenda includes the following:

- (1) Introduction.
- (2) Progress report from the working group on the International Convention on the Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (STCW).
- (3) Progress report from the working group on the National Maritime Center.
- (4) Other items to be discussed:
 - (a) Standing Committee—Prevention Through People
 - (b) Regional Examination Center activities
 - (c) National Maritime Center activities
 - (d) STCW developments
 - (e) One person bridge watchstanding proposal-report from subcommittee on meeting held March 7, 1998.

Procedural

Both meetings are open to the public. At the Chair's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meetings. If you would like to make an oral presentation at a meeting, please notify the Executive Director no later than March 16, 1998.

Written material for distribution at a meeting should also reach the Coast Guard no later than March 16, 1998. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee or subcommittee in advance of a meeting, please submit 25 copies to the Executive Director no later than March 16, 1998.

Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meetings, contact the Executive Director as soon as possible.

Dated: February 24, 1998.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety and Environmental Protection.

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National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee (NOSAC) will meet to discuss various issues relating to offshore safety. The meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The meeting of NOSAC will be held on Wednesday, April 22, 1998 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before April 8, 1998.

ADDRESSES: The NOSAC meeting will be held in Rooms 6332-6336, of the NASSIF Building, 400 7th Street, SW, Washington, DC. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should be sent to Captain R.L. Skewes, Commandant (G-MSO), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Captain R. L. Skewes, Executive Director of NOSAC, or Mr. Jim Magill, Assistant to the Executive Director, telephone (202) 267-0214, fax (202) 267-4570.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C., App. 2.

Agenda of Meeting

National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee (NOSAC). The agenda includes the following:

- (1) Introduction and swearing-in of new members.
- (2) Progress report from the Prevention Through People Subcommittee.
- (3) Progress report from the Subcommittee on Pipeline-Free Anchorages for Mobile Offshore Drilling Units, Lifeboats and Vessels.
- (4) Status report on revision of 33 CFR Subchapter "N", Outer Continental Shelf Regulations.
- (5) Report on the new regulations for large offshore supply vessels and crewboats, (supplementary 46 CFR Subchapter "L")
- (6) Report on issues concerning the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the International Organization of Standardization ((ISO).
- (7) Status report from Safety Regulatory Reform Subcommittee.
- (8) Report from Platform/Ship collision Avoidance subcommittee.

Procedural

The meeting is open to the public. Due to new security procedures at government buildings, visitors should have a current picture ID to enter the NASSIF building. At the Chairperson's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentation during the meeting. Persons wishing to make oral presentations at the meeting should notify the Executive Director no later than April 8, 1998. Written material for distribution at the meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than April 8, 1998. If a person submitting material would like a copy distributed to each member of the Committee or Subcommittee in advance of the meeting, that person should submit 25 copies to the Executive Director no later than April 1, 1998.

Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact the Assistant to the Executive Director as soon as possible.

Dated: February 24, 1998.

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