

applying for a Section 404 permit for a roadway easement through the McFaddin National Wildlife Refuge in 1997. This resulted in a determination by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers that an EIS should be prepared. The project study limits for the EIS are from the northward turn of SH 87 in Sabine Pass, Jefferson County, to SH 124 in High Island, Galveston County. A section of SH 87 presently exists within these study limits for a distance of about 15 miles from Sabine Pass to approximately three miles west of Sea Rim State Park. The existing roadway is an undivided two-lane highway.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, and to private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have an interest in this proposal. A scoping meeting to discuss the proposed SH 87 project, as well as, other public meetings and a public hearing will be held. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the meetings and hearing. The draft EIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearing.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed, and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning the proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities that apply to this program.)

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*District Engineer, Austin, Texas.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Maritime Administration

#### Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection abstracted below has been

forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The nature of the information collection is described as well as its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on June 7, 1999 [64 FR 30374].

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before September 17, 1999.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Kenneth Willis, Office of Sealift Support, MAR-630, Maritime Administration, MAR-630, Room 7307, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, D.C. 20590. Telephone 202-366-2323 or FAX 202-366-3889. Copies of this collection can also be obtained from that office.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Maritime Administration (MARAD).

*Title:* Application and Reporting Elements for participation in the Maritime Security Program.

*OMB Control Number:* 2133-0525.

*Type of Request:* Extension of currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Operators of U.S.-flag vessels who are interested in participating in the Maritime Security Fleet.

*Form (s):* None.

*Abstract:* The Maritime Security Act of 1996 established the Maritime Security Program which supports the operations of U.S.-flag vessels in the foreign commerce of the United States through assistance payments. Participating vessel operators receive assistance payments and are required to make their ships and other commercial transportation resources available to the Government during times of war or national emergency. The vessel operators who are interested in participating in the Maritime Security Fleet are required to submit an application to MARAD for its review and approval.

*Annual Estimated Burden Hours:*

Approximately four to six hours.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20503, Attention MARAD Desk Officer.

*Comments Are Invited on:* Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be

collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

Issued in Washington, D.C. on August 13, 1999.

**Joel C. Richard,**

*Secretary, Maritime Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Senior Executive Service Combined Performance Review Board (PRB)

**AGENCY:** Treasury Department.

**ACTION:** Notice of members of Combined Performance Review Board (PRB).

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4), this notice announces the appointment of members of the Combined PRB for the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the Financial Management Service, the U.S. Mint and the Bureau of the Public Debt. The Board reviews the performance appraisals of career senior executives below the level of bureau head and principal deputy in the four bureaus, except for the executives below the Assistant Commissioner level in the Financial Management Service. The Board makes recommendations regarding proposed performance appraisals, ratings, bonuses and other appropriate personnel actions.

#### Composition of Combined PRB

The Board shall consist of at least three voting members. In case of an appraisal of a career appointee, more than half of the members shall consist of career appointees. The names and titles of the Combined PRB members are as follows:

#### Primary Members

Joel C. Taub, Associate Director (Management), E&P  
 Constance E. Craig, Assistant Commissioner, Information Resources, FMS  
 Jacqueline Fletcher, Associate Director for Information Resources/CIO, Mint  
 Theodore P. Langlois, Deputy Executive Director (Marketing and Sales), PD

#### Alternate Members

Gregory D. Carper, Associate Director (Chief Financial Officer), E&P