

the Coastwise Trade Laws for the Vessel A QUIT-ALL.

SUMMARY: As authorized by Public Law 105-383, the Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S. build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a description of the proposed service, is listed below. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines that in accordance with Public Law 105-383 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR 388 (65 FR 6905; February 11, 2000) that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels, a waiver will not be granted.

DATES: Submit comments on or before May 3, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2000-7146. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, Department of Transportation, 400 7th St., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590-0001. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at <http://dmses.dot.gov/submit/>. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available on the World Wide Web at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Hokana, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, MAR 832 Room 7201, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202-366-0760.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title V of Pub.L. 105-383 provides authority to the Secretary of Transportation to administratively waive the U.S.-build requirements of the Jones Act, and other statutes, for small commercial passenger vessels (less than 12 passengers). This authority has been delegated to the Maritime Administration per 49 CFR 1.66, Delegations to the Maritime Administrator, as amended. By this notice, MARAD is publishing information on a vessel for which a request for a U.S.-build waiver has been received, and for which MARAD requests comments from interested

parties. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments. Comments should also state the commentator's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in § 388.4 of MARAD'S regulations at 46 CFR 388.

Vessel Proposed for Waiver of the U.S.-Build Requirement

(1) Name of vessel and owner for which waiver is requested. Name: A QUIT-ALL, owner: Pescado Rentado, Inc., a Florida corporation (incorporated 1979).

(2) Size, capacity and tonnage of vessel: Length Overall: 44', Tonnage: Gross 33, Net 26 (Pursuant to Coast Guard Document #528959).

(3) Intended use for vessel, including geographic region of intended operation and trade. According to the applicant: "Sportfishing charter from Jupiter Inlet south to Key West and adjacent waters."

(4) Date and place of construction and (if applicable) rebuilding. Date of construction: 1980. Place of original construction: Norway.

(5) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on other commercial passenger vessel operators. According to the applicant: "This waiver will not have an impact on other commercial passenger vessel operators who offer offshore sportfishing/cruising charters. There are approximately 40 sportfishing charter services which advertise regularly in the Southern Bell Telephone Yellow Pages, for the Greater Miami area. Existing offshore sportfishing charter boats charge between \$350.00 (half-day) to \$750.00 (full day). This requested waiver will compliment existing offshore charter operations, as the intent is to focus on obtaining longer than one-day charters, including overnight stays and entertaining on the vessel.

The Greater Miami/Fort Lauderdale area continues to have significant tourist, family vacation, and convention business. Granting this administrative waiver will enable the commercial sport fishing industry to better meet the demands of tourists as it expands even more rapidly. This waiver will also create U.S. jobs: 1 boat captain, 1 mate and several (at least part time) support staff from clerical to boat cleaners. In addition, being able to put this vessel into charter sport fishing will require weekly expenditure for bait, tackle, supplies and products necessary to run and maintain a high quality charter operation. Overall, the local economy will be helped by the granting of this waiver."

(6) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on U.S. shipyards. According to the applicant: "This waiver will have no negative impact on U.S. Shipyards. There is no comparable sportfishing vessel (44' Aluminum Hull) currently being manufactured and applicant is unaware of any plans for similar production within the United States.

All future repairs, improvements and upgrades will continue to be undertaken at U.S. (South Florida) shipyards and marinas. Consequently, this vessel will continue to have a positive effect on South Florida (Fort Lauderdale/Miami area) shipyards for routine maintenance and twice-yearly bottom painting, in addition to future refurbishing and refitting. Once in charter use as a working sport fisherman, monthly—if not weekly—maintenance and repairs will become necessary, hence local area shipyards and marinas will benefit."

Dated: March 28, 2000.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Edmund T. Sommer, Jr.,
Acting Secretary, Maritime Administration.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Domestic Finance; Notice of Open Meeting of the Advisory Committee U.S. Community Adjustment and Investment Program

The Department of the Treasury, pursuant to the North American Free Trade Agreement ("NAFTA") Implementation Act (Pub. L. 103-182) (the "Act"), established an advisory committee (the "Advisory Committee") for the community adjustment and investment program (the "Program") authorized by the Act. The Program provides financing to create or preserve jobs in communities adversely impacted by NAFTA. The charter of the Advisory Committee has been filed in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act of October 6, 1972 (Pub. L. 92-463), with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury.

The Advisory Committee consists of nine members of the public, appointed by the President, who collectively represent: (1) Community groups whose constituencies include low-income families; (2) scientific, professional, business, nonprofit, or public interest organizations or associations, which are neither affiliated with, nor under the direction of, a government; and (3) for-profit business interests. There is

currently one vacancy in the Advisory Committee.

The objectives of the Advisory Committee are to: (1) Provide informed advice to the President regarding the implementation of the Program; and (2) review on a regular basis, the operation of the Program, and provide the President with the conclusions of its review. Pursuant to Executive Order No. 12916, dated May 13, 1994, the President established an interagency Finance Committee to implement the Program and to receive, on behalf of the President, advice of the Advisory Committee. The Finance Committee is chaired by the Secretary of the Treasury or his designated representative.

A meeting of the Advisory Committee, which will be open to the public, will be held in Washington, D.C. at the Marriott Hotel at Metro Center, 775 12th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20005 (Tel. 202-737-2200) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, April 25, 2000. The exact location of the meeting room will be posted in the hotel lobby on the day of the meeting. The meeting room will accommodate approximately 50 persons and seating is available on a first-come, first-serve basis, unless space has been reserved in advance. Due to limited seating, prospective attendees are encouraged to contact the person listed below prior to April 14, 2000.

The purpose of the meeting is to review the operations of the Program, and to provide the Finance Committee with advice regarding the conclusions of its review and other implementation issues. Specifically, the meeting would review the recent status of, and anticipated activities of, the three Program components, namely, the federal agency program, the direct loan program, and the grant program.

If you would like to have the Advisory Committee consider a written statement, material must be submitted to the U.S. Community Adjustment and Investment Program, Advisory Committee, Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, South Court 17-B, Washington, D.C. 20220 no later than April 7, 2000. If you have any questions, please call Dan Decena at (202) 622-0637 (Please note that this telephone number is not toll-free.)

Harry M. Haigood,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Community Development Financial Institutions Fund

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund (the Fund) within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Bank Enterprise Award (BEA) Program.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before June 2, 2000 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Jeannine Jacokes, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, U.S. Department of the Treasury, 601 13th Street, NW, Suite 200 South, Washington, DC 20005, Fax number (202) 622-7754.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, U.S. Department of the Treasury, 601 13th Street, NW, Suite 200 South, Washington, DC 20005, or call (202) 622-8662.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Bank Enterprise Award Program Survey.

OMB Number: 1559-0008.

Abstract: The purpose of the Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994 (Act) was to create the Fund to promote economic revitalization and community development through investment in and assistance to Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs). The Fund's BEA Program helps achieve this purpose through an incentive system for insured depository institutions to, among other things, increase their lending to and investment in CDFIs by rewarding participating institutions with awards.

Current Actions: The Fund plans to survey BEA awardees in order to measure the effects of the BEA Program on insured depository institution community development activities.

Type of review: Extension.
Affected Public: Insured depository institutions
Estimated Number of Respondents: 50.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 50 hours.

Requests for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Authority: 12 U.S.C. 1834a, 4701, 4704, 4713; 12 CFR part 1806.

Dated: March 28, 2000.

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Institutions Fund.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Customs Service

General Program Test for Transfer of Accompanied (International) In-Transit Baggage

AGENCY: Customs Service, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: General notice.

SUMMARY: This notice extends the time period for applying to participate in the general program test for the transfer of accompanied, international in-transit baggage.

DATES: To participate in the test, applicants have until close of business on May 26, 2000, to file the required information with Customs.

ADDRESSES: To apply for participation in the test, air carriers must timely submit to the appropriate port director (having jurisdiction over the airport