which manufacturer small river fishing boats. A sailboat charter of my particular size boat only adds to the benefit of the local shipyards, as I have to have all maintenance performed locally (haulouts, bottom paint, engine maintenance), and equipment is all purchased locally.''

Dated: June 25, 2001.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket Number: MARAD–2001–9991]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Invitation for public comments on a requested administrative waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws for the vessel CAT BALLOU.

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 part 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 July 30, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD–2001–9991. 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., SW., Washington, DC 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: Kathleen Dunn, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, MAR–832 Room 7201, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202–366–2307.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title V of Public Law 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 (no more 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 commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in § 388.4 of MARAD'S regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

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

(1) Name of vessel and owner for which waiver is requested. Name of vessel: CAT BALLOU. Owner: Charles Joseph Longanecker.

(2) Size, capacity and tonnage of vessel. According to the applicant: ''Length: 42 ft.; Beam 23 ft.; Draft 6.6 ft.; Gross: 22 tons; Net 17 tons (measured pursuant to 46 U.S.C. 14502).''

(3) Intended use for vessel, including geographic region of intended operation and trade. According to the applicant: General Charter and Corporate Training Facility. West Coast of the U.S. from San Francisco to the Mexican Border, based in San Francisco Bay.''

(4) Date and Place of construction and (if applicable) rebuilding. Date of construction: 1991. Place of construction: Canet, France.

(5) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on other commercial passenger vessel operators. According to the applicant: ''Given that we are a small recreational sailing vessel, desiring to take 12 or less passengers for limited day, coastal, corporate training, and recreational trips, the approval of this application will not have an adverse effect on existing passenger operators. Cat Ballou will be used as a platform for corporate retreats and strategic planning. There are many large and established charter operations in San Francisco providing passage on the bay and costal waters. The industry is healthy and demand has grown significantly in recent years.''

(6) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on U.S. shipyards. According to the applicant: ''This waiver will have no adverse effect on U.S. shipyards. In the last 12 months over $100,000 has been spent for re-powering and re-rigging the boat with U.S. suppliers and shipyards. It costs approximately $40,000 per year at local boatyards and suppliers in the bay area to maintain Cat Ballou.''

Dated: June 25, 2001.

By order of the Maritime Administrator.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket Number: MARAD–2001–9996]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Invitation for public comments on a requested administrative waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws for the vessel FANTASEA.

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 part 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 July 30, 2001.