

would relieve small dealers from a regulatory requirement that would inhibit their ability to effect transactions in municipal fund securities.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others

Written comments were neither solicited nor received.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Because of the foregoing Proposed Rule Change: (i) Does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) does impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) the MSRB provided the Commission with written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change and its amendment at least five business days prior to the filing date, the proposed rule change, as amended, is effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Exchange Act⁹ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.¹⁰ A proposed rule change filed under Rule 19b-4(f)(6) normally does not become operative prior to the 30 days after the date of filing.¹¹ However, Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) permits the Commission to designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest.¹² The MSRB has requested that the Commission designate such shorter time period and accelerate the operative date of the proposal to August 6, 2001, less than 30 days from the date of filing of the amendment. The Commission, consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest,¹³ determined to grant the MSRB's request and make this rule change and its amendment operative on August 6, 2001.

For the reasons set forth above, the Commission finds that it is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest for the rule proposal and its amendment to become operative on August 6, 2001. At any time within 60 days of the filing of this proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate this rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors

or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. In particular, the MSRB believes the Proposed Rule Change qualifies as a "non-controversial filing" in that the Proposed Rule Change does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest and does not impose any significant burden on competition.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including where the proposed rule is consistent with the Act. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609. Copies of the submissions, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the Proposed Rule Change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the Proposed Rule Change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of the filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the MSRB's principal offices. All submissions should refer to File No. SR-MSRB-2001-05 and should be submitted by August 21, 2001.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁴

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 3733]

**Systems and Integration Office,
Applications Programming Division;
Information Collection Under
Emergency Review: Electronic
Telephone Directory (e*Phone)**

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of State has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the emergency review procedures of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

Type of Request: Emergency Review.
Originating Office: IRM/SIO/APD/
CSB.

Title of Information Collection:
Electronic Telephone Directory
(e*Phone).

Frequency: On occasion.

Form Number: Not applicable.

Respondents: Department of State
Contractor Staff.

Estimated Number of Respondents:
8,000.

Average Hours Per Response: 1/12 hour
(5 minutes).

Total Estimated Burden: 333 hours
per year; 4,000 annual responses.

The proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Emergency review and approval of this collection has been requested from OMB by June 30, 2001. If granted, the emergency approval is only valid for 180 days. Comments should be directed to the State Department Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Washington, DC 20530, (202) 395-3897.

During the first 60 days of this same period a regular review of this information collection is also being undertaken. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until 60 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. The agency requests written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information. Your comments are being solicited to permit the agency to:

- Evaluate 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.

- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of technology.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Public comments, or requests for additional information, regarding the collection listed in this notice should be directed to Jerry Blasenstein, U.S. Department of State, IRM/SIO/APD/CSB, Room 3202/SA15, 2201 C St., NW., Washington, DC 20520.

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹⁰ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

¹¹ See *Id.*

¹² *Id.*

¹³ For the purpose only of accelerating the operative date of this proposal, the Commission has considered the proposals's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

¹⁴ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

Dated: June 22, 2001.

Patricia A. Popovich,

Deputy Chief Information Officer, Bureau of IRM, Executive Office, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

[USCG 2001-9433]

Information Collection Under Review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): 2115-0619

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this request for comments announces that the Coast Guard has forwarded one Information Collection Report (ICR) abstracted below to OMB for review and comment. Our ICRs describe the information we seek to collect from the public. Review and comment by OMB ensure that we impose only paperwork burdens commensurate with our performance of duties.

DATES: Please submit comments on or before August 30, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Please send comments to (1) the Docket Management System (DMS), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001; and (2) the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), Office of Management and Budget (OMB), 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503, to the attention of the Desk Officer for the USCG.

Copies of complete ICRs are available for inspection and copying in public dockets. A copy of this complete ICR is available in docket USCG 2001-9433 of the Docket Management Facility between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays; for inspection and printing on the internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>; and for inspection from the Commandant (G-CIM-2), U.S. Coast Guard, room 6106, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara Davis, Office of Information Management, 202-267-2326, for questions on this document; Dorothy Beard, Chief, Documentary Services Division, U.S. Department of Transportation, 202-366-5149, for questions on the docket.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulatory History

This request constitutes the 30-day notice required by OMB. The Coast Guard has already published [66 FR 20704 (April 24, 2001)] the 60-day notice required by OMB. That notice elicited no comments.

Request for Comments

The Coast Guard invites comments on the proposed collection of information to determine whether the collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department. In particular, the Coast Guard would appreciate comments addressing: (1) The practical utility of the collection; (2) The accuracy of the Department's estimated burden of the collection; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information that is the subject of the collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments, to DMS or OIRA, must contain the OMB Control Number of the ICR addressed. Comments to DMS must contain the docket number of this request, USCG 2001-9433. Comments to OIRA are best assured of having their full effect if OIRA receives them 30 or fewer days after the publication of this request.

Information Collection Requests

1. *Title:* Inflatable Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) for Recreational Vessels
OMB Control Number: 2115-0619.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Forms: This collection of information does not require the public to fill out Coast Guard forms, but does require manufacturers of PFDs to place labels on these devices.

Abstract: The information collected under 46 CFR subpart 160.076 mainly concerns the labeling and preparation of manuals for inflatable PFDs. 33 CFR 175.15 requires that every person using a recreational vessel carry enough PFDs for each person on board. In keeping with this requirement, the Coast Guard has established a system for approval of PFDs for use on such vessels. To facilitate approval and inspection, the Coast Guard requires that manufacturers place labels on their devices and publish manuals to help the users. The labels serve two purposes. First, they indicate the chest size of each PFD and also display printed and pictographic instructions for proper use and care of it. Second, because they include specific product numbers and manufacturers'

names, they are central to the Coast Guard's mission of identifying faulty equipment and then notifying the responsible producer. Like the labels, the manuals serve two purposes. First, they give the users information they will need to properly use and maintain the PFDs. Second, they keep the Coast Guard current on the specifications and design of new PFDs.

Affected Public: Manufacturers of PFDs.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: The estimated burden is 1,406 hours a year.

Dated: July 25, 2001.

V.S. Crea,

Director of Information and Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

[CGD05-01-005]

Notice of Public Meeting; letter of recommendation, LNG Facility, Cove Point, MD

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port, Baltimore (COTP) is preparing a letter of recommendation as to the suitability of the Chesapeake Bay waterway for liquefied hazardous gas (LHG) or liquefied natural gas (LNG) marine traffic in response to a letter of intent to operate the LNG facility at Cove Point, Maryland. In preparation for issuance of the letter of recommendation, the COTP will sponsor a public meeting to receive comments regarding the suitability of the Chesapeake Bay waterway for LHG or LNG vessel traffic.

DATES: The meeting will be held Thursday, August 23, 2001, 3:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Those who plan to speak at the meeting should provide their name by August 21, 2001. The comment period associated with the public meeting will remain open for seven days following the meeting. Written comments and related material must reach the Coast Guard on or before August 30, 2001.

ADDRESSES: The meeting location is: The Holiday Inn, 155 Holiday Drive, Solomon's Island, Maryland. You may submit written comments to the Coast Guard at the meeting or you may mail comments and related material to Commander, U.S. Coast Guard Activities Baltimore, 2401 Hawkins Point Road, Baltimore, Maryland