

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 April 11, 2002. Written material for distribution at a meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than April 11, 2002. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee or subcommittee in advance of the meeting, please submit 25 copies to the Executive Director (see **ADDRESSES**) no later than April 11, 2002.

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, telephone the Executive Director at 202 267-0214 as soon as possible.

Dated: February 26, 2002.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety and Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

[USCG-2000-7514]

National Preparedness for Response Exercise Program (PREP)

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Coast Guard, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Research and Special Programs Administration, and the Mineral Management Service, in concert with the States, the oil industry and concerned citizens, developed the Preparedness for Response Exercise Program (PREP). This notice announces the availability of the revised PREP Guidelines for comment and announces the participating agencies' intent to hold a public meeting in 2002.

DATES: Comments and related material must reach the Docket Management Facility on or before May 13, 2002.

ADDRESSES: To make sure that your comments and related material are not entered more than once in the docket, please submit them by only one of the following means:

(1) By mail to the Docket Management Facility, (USCG-2000-7514), U.S. Department of Transportation, room PL-

401, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

(2) By delivery to room PL-401 on the Plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202-366-9329.

(3) By fax to the Docket Management Facility at 202-493-2251.

(4) Electronically through the Web site for the Docket Management System at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

The Docket Management Facility maintains the public docket for this notice. Comments and material received from the public will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at room PL-401 on the Plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. You may also find this docket, including the PEA, on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions on this notice and general information regarding the National Preparedness for Response Exercise Program (PREP) and the schedule, contact Mr. Robert Pond, Office of Response, Plans and Preparedness Division (G-MOR-2), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second St. SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001, telephone: 202-267-6603, facsimile: 202-267-4065, or email: rpond@comdt.uscg.mil.

The PREP Area exercise schedule and exercise design manuals are available on the Internet at <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/gmhome.htm> (see index, then oil response). To obtain a hard copy of the exercise design manual, contact Ms. Melanie Barber at the Research and Special Programs Administration, Office of Pipeline Safety, at 202-366-4560. The 1994 PREP Guidelines can be found on the following Web site: <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/nmc/response/#PREP>. Hard copies of the PREP Guidelines are available at no cost by writing or faxing the TASC DEPT Warehouse, 33141Q 75th Avenue, Landover, MD 20785, fax: 301-386-5394. The stock number of the manual is USCG-X0191. Please indicate the quantity when ordering. Quantities are limited to 10 per order.

If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Ms. Dorothy Beard, Chief, Dockets, Department of Transportation, telephone: 202-366-5149.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Request for Comments

We encourage you to submit comments and related material. If you do so, please include your name and address, identify the docket number for this notice (USCG-2000-7514) and give the reasons for each comment. You may submit your comments and material by mail, hand delivery, fax, or electronic means to the Docket Management Facility at the address under **ADDRESSES**; but please submit your comments and material by only one means. If you submit them by mail or hand delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you submit them by mail and would like to know they reached the Facility, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

Background and Purpose

In 1994, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA), and the Minerals Management Service (MMS) coordinated the development of the National Preparedness for Response Exercise Program (PREP) Guidelines. Through a series of public workshops involving representatives from many State governments, the regulated community, environmental interest groups, and the general public, the PREP Guidelines were crafted to reflect the consensus agreement of the entire oil spill response community regarding an appropriate exercise program, including exercise types, frequency, scope, and objectives. For their part, USCG, EPA, RSPA, and MMS agreed that while the PREP Guidelines are not regulatory, each agency would accept that an industry entity following the PREP Guidelines would be in compliance with the pollution response exercise requirements in 33 U.S.C. 1321(j). (For Coast Guard rules, see 33 CFR 154.1055(f) and 33 CFR 155.1060(h); for EPA rules, see 40 CFR 112.21; for RSPA rules, see 49 CFR 194; or for MMS rules, see 30 CFR 254).

Since 1994, USCG, EPA, RSPA, and MMS have hosted public workshops in 1995, 1997, and 2000, to review the PREP Guidelines and consider need for changes. The first two workshops endorsed preserving the 1994 PREP Guidelines without amendment. The 2000 workshop recommended consideration of amending the PREP Guidelines to clarify or amend certain exercise parameters and standards.

The National Schedule Coordination Committee (NSCC) requested comments to proposed changes to the 1994 PREP Guidelines that were posted on the Docket Management System Web site on July 3, 2001. Based on review of comments to those proposed changes, the NSCC has posted the proposed final draft changes to the PREP Guidelines to the docket and at the following Web sites: <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/nmc/response/#PREP> and <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/nsfcc/nsfweb>.

This proposed final draft is also available electronically or in hard copy from Mr. Robert Pond at the address indicated above. Based on the comments received in response to the July 3, 2001, draft, a public meeting to discuss proposed changes is not anticipated prior to publication of final revised PREP Guidelines in August 2002. The next public meeting to discuss PREP is scheduled on November 8, 2002, in Galveston, TX, in conjunction with Clean Gulf 2002.

Dated: February 28, 2002.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety and Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Wayne County, Michigan

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement (EIS) will be prepared for a proposed intermodal freight terminal in Wayne County, Michigan.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James A. Kirschensteiner, Assistant Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, 315 West Allegan Street, Room 207, Lansing, Michigan 48933, Telephone: (517) 702-1835, Fax: 377-1804, e-mail, james.kirschensteiner@fhwa.dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Michigan Department of Transportation, will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) on a proposal to develop a complex of terminals operated by several railroads, which will provide consolidated and efficient intermodal freight service to business and industry. The project could include land

acquisition, consolidation, roadway, and rail improvements to improve access and egress to the existing terminal site, known as the Detroit-Livernois Yard.

Improvements to the corridor are considered necessary to provide for improved intermodal efficiencies regionally and on an international scale. Alternatives under consideration include (1) taking no action and (2) refinements of Rail Strategy 3 as identified in the Detroit Intermodal Freight Terminal Project—Feasibility Study, Technical Report No. 4. The draft EIS will describe other alternatives that were considered during the feasibility phase.

The Detroit Intermodal Freight Terminal Project study area is bounded roughly by I-94 and U.S. 12 to the north, M-39 to the west, I-75 to the south, and M-10 to the east. Presently about 65 train movements occur daily at some point within the study area, with less than half being through movements. Rail Strategy 3, as it is now conceived, calls for expanding the existing railroad-controlled property in this area from about 500 acres to 840 acres (an increase of 340 acres). The freight terminal would be served by six entrance/exit gates. Daily *intermodal* train traffic is expected to grow by the year 2025 from fewer than a dozen today to 50-plus, and be associated with 16,000 intermodal truck movements per day into and out of the terminal in 2025 compared to 2000 truck trips today.

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 series of public meetings were held during the Feasibility Study phase on March 13, April 24, May 23-24, July 25-26, October 24-25, and December 13, 2001. Additional meetings and a public hearing are planned. 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. No formal scoping meeting is planned at this time.

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 this 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 of Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

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James J. Steele,

Division Administrator, Lansing, Michigan.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[FMCSA Docket No. FMCSA-2002-11507]

Alternative Physical Qualification Standards for the Loss or Impairment of Limbs; Exemption Application for Kevin Howell

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of application for exemption; request for comments.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the FMCSA's receipt of an application from Mr. Kevin Howell for an exemption from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) alternative physical qualification standards for the loss or impairment of limbs. Mr. Howell's right arm was amputated at the shoulder. Mr. Howell is applying for an exemption to allow him to operate a commercial motor vehicle (CMV) in interstate commerce without a prosthesis. Mr. Howell believes his driving record indicates that a level of safety can be achieved that is equivalent to, or greater than, the level of safety that would be obtained by complying with the standards for the loss or impairment of limbs set forth in 49 CFR 391.41 (b)(1) and 391.49.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 12, 2002.

ADDRESSES: You can mail or deliver comments to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Dockets Management Facility, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. You can also submit comments as well as see the submissions of other commenters at <http://dms.dot.gov>. Please include the docket number that appears in the heading of this document. You can examine and copy this document and all comments received at the same Internet address or at the Dockets Management Facility from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. If you want to know that we received