

(2) Size, capacity and tonnage of vessel. *According to the applicant:* "The ANNA MARIA has a documented net tonnage of 128 tons. The overall length is 65', with a beam of 25', and a draft of 2.5'."

(3) Intended use for vessel, including geographic region of intended operation and trade. *According to the applicant:*

"The intended use of the vessel is to provide transportation for multi-day eco-tours consisting of 3 days and 2 nights. The ANNA MARIA is well suited for accommodating passengers for a number of days. Tours will be conducted on the Yukon River and will depart from the Yukon River crossing at mile 56 of the Dalton Highway."

(4) Date and Place of construction and (if applicable) rebuilding. *Date of construction:* 1988. *Place of construction:* Vancouver, British Columbia.

(5) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on other commercial passenger vessel operators. *According to the applicant:* "The proposed activities of the Yukon River Tours will have minimal effects on other commercial vessel operations in the proposed area of operation. Currently, there are no other similar vessels or tours of this kind within the target area."

(6) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on U.S. shipyards. *According to the applicant:* "The proposed use of the ANNA MARIA will have little to no effect on U.S. shipyards. The vessel was built over ten years ago, and to build a vessel for a similar operation today would not provide sufficient returns to create a profitable operation."

Dated: April 30, 2002.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket Number: MARAD-2002-12207]

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 FINE ROMANCE.

SUMMARY: As authorized by Pub. L. 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 Pub. L. 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 June 3, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2002-12207. 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:

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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 (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 MARADES 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: FINE ROMANCE.

Owner: Alfred B. and Jane K. Castleman, Trustees, Castleman Family Trust.

(2) Size, capacity and tonnage of vessel. *According to the applicant:* "57 feet, GRT 39, NT 31, this application is for no more than 12 passengers."

(3) *Intended use for vessel, including geographic region of intended operation and trade. According to the applicant:* "Coastwise USA and territories, with primary usage to be on the East and West Coasts of the United States and the Virgin Islands. The intended use chartered trips within the region typically with just one other couple in addition to the owner/operators."

(4) *Date and Place of construction and (if applicable) rebuilding. Date of construction:* 1998. *Place of construction:* Park Isle Marine, Ltd., Sooke, British Columbia, Canada.

(5) *A statement on the impact this waiver will have on other commercial passenger vessel operators. According to the applicant:* "None to minimal. There are no known boats in the continental U.S. that cater to trips for just two passengers and only one boat in the entire region."

(6) *A statement on the impact this waiver will have on U.S. shipyards. According to the applicant:* "None. This vessel was purchased for private ownership prior to the existence of the Coastwise waiver program with principal criteria that it be capable of open ocean crossings of 4,000 miles or more. There are essentially no US shipyards that produce trawlers that have that capability."

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

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Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.