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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Intent To Rule on Request To Release Airport Property at the Snohomish County Airport/Paine Field, Everett, WA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of request to release airport property.

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to rule and invite public comment on the release of land at Snohomish County Airport/Paine Field under the provisions of Section 125 of the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment Reform Act for the 21st Century (AIR 21).

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 22, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this application may be mailed or delivered to the FAA at the following address: Mr. J. Wade Bryant, Manager, Federal Aviation Administration, Northwest Mountain Region, Seattle Airports District Office, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Suite 250, Renton, Washington 98055-4056.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to Mr. Dave Waggoner, Airport Director, 3220-100th Street, SW., Everett, Washington 98204-1390.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jeff Winter, Project Manager, Federal Aviation Administration, Northwest Mountain Region, Seattle Airports District Office, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Suite 250, Renton, Washington 98055-4056.

The request to release property may be reviewed in person at this same location, by appointment.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA invites public comment on the request to release property at the Snohomish County Airport/Paine Field under the provisions of the AIR 21.

On May 30, 2002, the FAA determined that the request to release property at Snohomish County Airport/Paine Field submitted by the county met the procedural requirements of the Federal Aviation Regulations, Part 155. The FAA may approve the request, in

whole or in part, no later than July 22, 2002.

The following is a brief overview of the request.

The Snohomish County Airport/Paine Field requests the release of 14.50 acres of non-aeronautical airport property to the Snohomish County Parks Department. The purpose of this release is to transfer land, which has been predominately leased by the Parks Department from the airport for nearly 20 years. The Parks Department plans to continue to use the property as a little league ballpark facility. The parcel proposed for sale has not been used for aviation purposes and no aeronautical use of the property is planned or anticipated. Snohomish County, a political subdivision of the State of Washington, on behalf of the Snohomish County Airport/Paine Field requests the release from the terms, conditions, reservations, and restrictions imposed upon the property deeded to the Airport by the United States of America, and the release of the subject property from any assurances of the County as sponsor as contained in any FAAP, ADAP, or AIP grant agreement. The release of the property will benefit the users of the airport as the fair market value revenues generated from the sale of this property will be applied to offset costs incurred by the airport for the 2000 Runway Safety Area Project. Any person may inspect the request in person at the FAA office listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the application, notice and other documents germane to the application in person at the Snohomish County Airport, 3220-100th Street, SW., Everett, Washington 98204-1390.

Issued in Renton, Washington on May 30, 2002.

J. Wade Bryant,

Manager, Seattle Airports District Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2002-12545]

Information Collection Available for Public Comments and Recommendations

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Maritime

Administration's (MARAD's) intentions to request extension of approval for three years of a currently approved information collection.

DATES: Comments should be submitted on or before August 26, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathleen Dunn, Maritime Administration, Office of Ports and Domestic Shipping, 400 Seventh Street Southwest, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-366-2307, FAX: 202-366-6988; or E-mail: kathleen.dunn@marad.dot.gov. Copies of this collection can also be obtained from that office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: Application for Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws for Small Passenger Vessels.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0529.

Form Numbers: None.

Expiration Date of Approval: December 31, 2002.

Summary of Collection of Information: Owners of ship vessels desiring waiver of the coastwise trade laws affecting small passenger vessels will be required to file a written application and justification for waiver to the Maritime Administration (MARAD). The agency will review the application and make a determination whether to grant the requested waiver.

Need and Use of the Information: MARAD requires the information in order to process applications for waivers of the coastwise laws and to determine the effect of waivers of the coastwise trade laws on United States vessel builders and United States-built vessel coastwise trade businesses.

Description of Respondents: Small passenger vessel owners desirous of operating in the coastwise trade.

Annual Responses: one.

Annual Burden: one hour.

Comments: Comments should refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document. Written comments may be submitted to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Comments may also be submitted by electronic means via the Internet at <http://dmses.dot.gov/submit>. Specifically address whether this information collection is necessary for proper performance of the functions of the agency and will have practical utility, accuracy of the burden estimates, ways to minimize this burden, and ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected. All

comments received will be available for examination at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. EDT (or EST), Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. An electronic version of this document is available on the World Wide Web at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Dated: June 21, 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-2002-12540]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of deadline for submitting waiver applications under existing waiver authority.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 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. However, MARAD's authority to grant waivers expires September 30, 2002. To allow adequate time for application processing and public comment, all new applications should be received by MARAD as soon as possible but no later than August 1, 2002. Any certificate or endorsement already issued shall continue in effect until otherwise invalidated or revoked under chapter 121 of title 46, United States Code.

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, Section 27 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1920, as amended, 46 App. U.S.C. 883, 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.

In order to implement the law, a set of procedures has been established to expedite waiver processing. As part of the application procedure MARAD requires a period of public notice, which includes the publication of applications for a waiver for 30 days for public review in the **Federal Register**.

After the public notice period MARAD uses all sources available to determine if there will be an "undue adverse affect" on existing operators and boat builders. The waiver will not be issued if it is determined by MARAD that the action will unduly adversely affect operators of U.S.-built vessels or U.S. shipyards. Lastly, there is a review procedure and a waiver revocation process if the vessel's use changes substantially after the waiver is issued and the change causes adverse impact.

It is MARAD's goal to make all waiver decisions by September 16, 2002 to include the Maritime Administrator's 10-day rescission period before waiver authority expires September 30, 2002.

Basic Eligibility Requirements

(a) The vessel must have been built outside the United States and be at least three years old.

(b) The vessel will not be allowed to carry more than 12 passengers.

(c) The vessel must be of at least 5 net tons and not registered under the laws of a foreign country.

(d) The vessel's ownership must meet U.S. citizenship requirements.

(e) The vessel must meet all other U.S. Coast Guard requirements for a Coastwise Trade Endorsement before it can engage in commercial service. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure a proposed vessel meets these standards. For information, please contact the Coast Guard's National Vessel Documentation Center on 1-800-799-8362.

How to Make Application

Applications should reach us no later than August 1, 2002 since our waiver authority expires September 30, 2002. Also, because US Postal Service mail has been delayed in reaching our office since October 2001 you may wish to use an alternate carrier to submit your request. Please apply in writing to the Maritime Administration at the following address. Secretary, Maritime Administration, MAR-120 Room 7210, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590.

The application will be for an administrative waiver of the coastwise laws of the United States for an eligible vessel to carry no more than twelve (12) passengers for hire. The application need not be in any particular format, but

must be signed and contain the following information:

(a) Name of vessel including official or state registration number, and owner for which waiver is requested.

(b) Size, capacity and tonnage of vessel (state whether tonnage is measured pursuant to 46 U.S.C. 14502, or otherwise, and if otherwise, how measured).

(c) Intended use for vessel, including geographic region of intended operation and trade. [A good definition of the geographic region is important because it will assist MARAD in determining if the issuance of a waiver will have an adverse impact on current operators. The waiver, if granted, will limit the operation of the vessel to the geographic area specified by the applicant.]

(d) Date and place of construction and (if applicable) rebuilding. (If applicant is unable to determine the origin of the vessel, foreign construction will be assumed).

(e) Name, address, and telephone number of vessel owner.

(f) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on other commercial passenger vessel operators, including a statement describing the operations of existing operators.

(g) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on U.S. shipyards.

You must enclose a non-refundable application fee for each waiver requested, in the form of a check or money order for \$300, made out to the order of "Maritime Administration—Transportation."

MARAD may ask additional questions of the applicant and, as part of the application review process, consider public comment, internal investigation and analysis, or any other sources or information deemed appropriate.

Process

Your waiver request will be published in the **Federal Register** as soon as practicable for a period of 30 days for public comment. After the 30-day public comment period, MARAD will review all information available and issue a decision. It is our goal to make a decision on every application by September 16, 2002.

A complete copy of the formal rule regarding this program can be found on the World Wide Web at <http://dms.dot.gov>. Once into the Document Management System, "search" under docket number 5915, the final rule appears as the last document entered, document 6.

Dated: June 24, 2002.