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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Judy Leung-Yee, Project Officer, First Coast Guard District, at (212) 668-7195.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Meadowbrook State Parkway Bridge has a vertical clearance in the closed position of 22 feet at mean high water and 25 feet at mean low water. The existing drawbridge operation regulations are listed at 33 CFR 117.799(h).

The bridge owner, Jones Beach State Park requested a temporary deviation from the drawbridge operation regulations to test an alternate drawbridge operation schedule to help better balance the needs between vehicular land traffic and marine vessel traffic.

Under this 90-day temporary deviation, in effect from August 15, 2005 through November 12, 2005, the Meadowbrook State Parkway Bridge at mile 12.8, across Sloop Channel, shall operate as follows:

The bridge shall open on signal once an hour, on the hour, between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday, and Federal holidays after a 30-minute advance notice is given by calling the number posted at the bridge.

At all other times the bridge shall open on signal after a 30-minute notice is given by calling the number posted at the bridge.

This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.43.

Dated: July 28, 2005.

Gary Kassof,

Bridge Program Manager, First Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

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Drawbridge Operation Regulations: Long Island, New York Inland Waterway from East Rockaway Inlet to Shinnecock Canal, NY

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Commander, First Coast Guard District, has issued a temporary deviation from the drawbridge operation regulations to test an alternate drawbridge operation regulation for the Loop Parkway Bridge, at mile 0.7, across Long Creek, New York. Under this temporary 90-day deviation the bridge will open on signal once an hour, on the half hour, between 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 p.m., and at all other times after a 30 minute advance notice is given by calling the number posted at the bridge. The bridge will open promptly on signal for commercial vessels at any time.

DATES: This deviation is effective from August 15, 2005 through November 12, 2005. Comments must reach the Coast Guard on or before November 30, 2005.

ADDRESSES: You may mail comments to Commander (obr), First Coast Guard District Bridge Branch, One South Street, Battery Park Building, New York, New York, 10004, or deliver them to the same address between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is (212) 668-7165. The First Coast Guard District, Bridge Branch, maintains the public docket for this rulemaking. Comments and material received from the public, as well as documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket, will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at the First Coast Guard District, Bridge Branch, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Request for Comments

We encourage you to participate in this rulemaking by submitting comments or related material. If you do so, please include your name and address, identify the docket number for this rulemaking (CGD01-05-078), indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and give the reason for each comment. Please submit all comments

and related material in an unbound format, no larger than 8 1/2 by 11 inches, suitable for copying. If you would like to know if they reached us, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period. We may change this rule in view of them.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Judy Leung-Yee, Project Officer, First Coast Guard District, at (212) 668-7195.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Loop Parkway Bridge has a vertical clearance in the closed position of 21 feet at mean high water and 25 feet at mean low water. The existing drawbridge operation regulations are listed at 33 CFR 117.799(f).

The bridge owner, Jones Beach State Park requested a temporary deviation from the drawbridge operation regulations to test an alternate drawbridge operation schedule to help better balance the needs between vehicular land traffic and marine vessel traffic.

Under this 90-day temporary deviation, in effect from August 15, 2005 through November 12, 2005, the Loop Parkway Bridge at mile 0.7, across Long Creek, shall operate as follows:

The bridge shall open on signal once an hour, on the half hour, between 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 p.m.

At all other times the bridge shall open on signal after a 30-minute notice is given by calling the number posted at the bridge.

The bridge shall open promptly on signal at any time for commercial vessels.

This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.43.

Dated: July 28, 2005.

Gary Kassof,

Bridge Program Manager, First Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

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Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Curtis Creek, Baltimore, MD

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District, has approved a temporary deviation from the regulations governing the operation of the I-695 Bridge across Curtis Creek, mile 0.9, at Baltimore, MD. This deviation allows the drawbridge to remain closed to navigation on two 5-day closure periods to facilitate repairs to the main control system of the bridge.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 7 a.m. on August 8, 2005, to 5 p.m. on August 26, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Materials referred to in this document are available for inspection or copying at Commander (obr), Fifth Coast Guard District, Federal Building, 1st Floor, 431 Crawford Street, Portsmouth, VA 23704-5004 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is (757) 398-6222. Commander (obr), Fifth Coast Guard District maintains the public docket for this temporary deviation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bill Brazier, Bridge Management Specialist, Fifth Coast Guard District, at (757) 398-6422.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The I-695 Bridge has a vertical clearance in the closed-to-vessels position of 58 feet, at mean high water.

The Whiting Turner Contracting (WTC) Company, on behalf of the bridge owner, the Maryland Department of Transportation, has requested a temporary deviation from the current operating regulation set out in 33 CFR 117.557. WTC has requested the temporary deviation to close the I-695 double-leaf bascule bridge to navigation to replace all of the control mechanisms. The work involves replacing the bridge control systems (electrical & mechanical) on both spans of the drawbridge. Each lift span will be locked in the closed-to-navigation position for two 5-day closure periods from 7 a.m. on August 8, 2005, to 5 p.m. on August 12, 2005, and from 7 a.m. on August 22, 2005, to 5 p.m. on August 26, 2005. During these periods, the work requires completely immobilizing the operation of the lift spans in the closed-to-navigation position.

The Coast Guard has informed the known users of the waterway of the closure periods for the bridge so that these vessels can arrange their transits to minimize any impact caused by the temporary deviation.

The District Commander has granted temporary deviation from the operating requirements listed in 33 CFR 117.35 for

the purpose of repairing the drawbridge. The temporary deviation allows the I-695 Bridge across Curtis Creek, mile 0.9, at Baltimore, Maryland, to remain closed to navigation on two 5-day closure periods: From 7 a.m. on August 8, 2005, to 5 p.m. on August 12, 2005; and from 7 a.m. on August 22, 2005, through 5 p.m. on August 26, 2005.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(c), this work will be performed with all due speed in order to return the bridge to normal operation as soon as possible. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: August 1, 2005.

Waverly W. Gregory, Jr.,
Chief, Bridge Administration Branch, Fifth Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

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RIN 1625-AA-09

Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Potomac River, Between Alexandria, VA and Oxon Hill, MD

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District, has approved a temporary deviation from the regulations governing the operation of the Woodrow Wilson Memorial (I-95) Bridge, mile 103.8, across the Potomac River between Alexandria, VA and Oxon Hill, MD. This deviation allows the drawbridge to remain closed to navigation from 8 p.m. on August 12, 2005, to 5 a.m. on August 15, 2005, to facilitate the beltway shift of vehicular traffic for the new Woodrow Wilson Bridge construction project.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 8 p.m. on August 12, 2005, to 5 a.m. on August 15, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Materials referred to in this document are available for inspection or copying at Commander (obr), Fifth Coast Guard District, Federal Building, 1st Floor, 431 Crawford Street, Portsmouth, VA 23704-5004 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is (757) 398-6222. Commander (obr), Fifth Coast Guard District maintains the

public docket for this temporary deviation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Waverly W. Gregory, Jr., Bridge Administrator, Fifth Coast Guard District, at (757) 398-6222.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The existing Woodrow Wilson Memorial (I-95) Bridge has a vertical clearance in the closed-to-vessel position of 50 feet at mean high water and 52 feet at mean low water.

Coordinators for the construction of the new Woodrow Wilson Bridge Project requested a temporary deviation from the current operating regulation for the existing Woodrow Wilson Memorial (I-95) Bridge set out in 33 CFR 117.255(a). The coordinators requested the temporary deviation to close the existing drawbridge to navigation to accommodate the shifting of vehicular traffic on the Outer Loop of the Capital Beltway/I-95 North. The Outer Loop of the Capital Beltway/I-95 North will be reduced from three lanes to only one lane between the Route 1 Interchange and the Wilson Bridge. Project traffic engineers anticipate traffic impacts to peak on Saturday afternoon, with 10 to 15 mile backups and delays of 60 to 90 minutes. Maintaining the existing drawbridge in the closed-to-navigation position from 8 p.m. on Friday, August 12, 2005, to 5 a.m. on Monday, August 15, 2005, will help reduce the impact on vehicular traffic during this phase of new bridge construction.

The Coast Guard has informed the known users of the waterway of the closure period for the bridge so that these vessels can arrange their transits to minimize any impact caused by the temporary deviation.

The District Commander has granted a temporary deviation from the operating requirements listed in 33 CFR 117.35 for the purpose of repair completion of the drawbridge. The temporary deviation allows the Woodrow Wilson Memorial (I-95) Bridge, mile 103.8, across the Potomac River between Alexandria, Virginia and Oxon Hill, Maryland, to remain closed to navigation from 8 p.m. on August 12, 2005, through 5 a.m. on August 15, 2005.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(c), this work will be performed with all due speed in order to return the bridge to normal operation as soon as possible. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.