

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**Coast Guard****33 CFR Part 117**

[CGD05-05-108]

Drawbridge Operation Regulations; New Jersey Intracoastal Waterway, Inside Thorofare, Ventnor City, NJ**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 Dorset Avenue Bridge, at New Jersey Intracoastal Waterway (ICW) mile 72.1, across the Inside Thorofare at Ventnor City, New Jersey. To facilitate removal and replacement of deck lift spans, the temporary deviation would allow partial openings of the drawbridge.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 7 a.m. on October 3, 2005, to 11 p.m. on October 21, 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) 398-6422. Commander (obr), Fifth Coast Guard District maintains the public docket for this temporary deviation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary Heyer, Bridge Management Specialist, Fifth Coast Guard District, at (757) 398-6629.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Dorset Avenue Bridge has a vertical clearance in the closed position of 9 feet at mean high water and 12 feet at mean low water.

A.P. Construction, Inc. on behalf of Atlantic County, which owns and operates this double-leaf bascule drawbridge, has requested a temporary deviation from the current operating regulations set out in 33 CFR 117.733(h) to facilitate deck repairs.

During this temporary deviation, deck repairs will require immobilizing half of the draw span. From 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. beginning on October 3, 2005 until and including October 21, 2005, single leaf openings will be provided on signal. Only double leaf openings will be provided from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. Full openings will be provided at any time when at least two hours advance notice

is given to the bridge tender at (609) 822-1805 or via marine radio on channel 13 VHF. At all other times, the draw shall open on signal.

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 23, 2005.

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

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[COTP Lower Mississippi River-05-008]

RIN 1625-AA00**Safety Zone; Lower Mississippi River (LMR), Greenville, MS****AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.**ACTION:** Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone for certain waters of the Lower Mississippi River. This safety zone is needed to protect persons and vessels from the potential safety hazards associated with the New Greenville Bridge construction. Entry into this zone is prohibited to all vessels and mariners unless specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port (COTP) Lower Mississippi River or a designated representative.

DATES: This rule is effective from July 18, 2005, until November 14, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket are part of docket [COTP Lower Mississippi River-05-008] and are available for inspection or copying at Sector Lower Mississippi River, 2 Auction Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee, 38105 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chief Warrant Officer Ray Bartlett, Sector Lower Mississippi River Waterways Management Branch, at (901) 544-3912 extension 2227.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Regulatory Information**

We did not publish a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) for this

regulation. Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing an NPRM, and under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), good cause exists for making this rule effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. Publishing an NPRM and delaying its effective date would be contrary to public interest because immediate action is needed to protect vessels and mariners from the safety hazards associated with the New Greenville Bridge construction. The Coast Guard first learned on July 6, 2005 that there would be construction and a need for a safety zone.

Background and Purpose

On July 06, 2005, U.S. Coast Guard Sector Lower Mississippi River was notified by the contractor (Massman/Traylor, a Joint Venture) that the New Greenville Bridge (mile 529.8) would be having deck plates installed from a crane on a barge. COTP Lower Mississippi River consulted the Lower Mississippi River Commission (LOMRC) to analyze impacts to commercial traffic in the vicinity of the New Greenville Bridge and determine that this safety zone is needed to protect the construction crews, vessels, and mariners from the additional construction hazards associated with the installation of the deck plates using a crane located on a barge in the river under the bridge.

Discussion of Rule

The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone for all waters of the Lower Mississippi River (LMR) from mile marker 529.8 to mile marker 532.3 extending the entire width of the river. This safety zone is needed to protect persons and vessels from the potential safety hazards associated with the crane lifting deck plates into position during the bridge construction. Entry into this zone is prohibited to all vessels and mariners unless specifically authorized by the COTP Lower Mississippi River or a designated representative. Specific dates and times for river closures will be announced via Safety Marine Information Broadcast (SMIB) and are expected to last for a period of eight hours from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The COTP Lower Mississippi River may be contacted by telephone at (901) 544-3912 extension 2124. The COTP Lower Mississippi River or a designated representative will inform the public through Broadcast Notice to Mariners of changes in the effective period for the safety zone. This rule is effective from July 18, 2005 until November 14, 2005.