

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG-2007-27923]

Collection of Information Under Review by the Office of Management and Budget: OMB Control Numbers: 1625-0019, 1625-0062, 1625-0082 and 1625-0092

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the U.S. Coast Guard intends to submit Information Collection Requests (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) requesting an extension of their approval for the following collections of information: (1) 1625-0019, Alternative Compliance for International and Inland Navigation Rules—33 CFR Parts 81 and 89; (2) 1625-0062, Approval of Alterations to Marine Portable Tanks; Approval of Non-specification Portable Tanks; (3) 1625-0082, Navigation Safety Information and Emergency Instructions for Certain Towing Vessels; and (4) 1625-0092, Sewage and Graywater Discharge Records for Certain Cruise Vessels Operating on Alaskan Waters. Before submitting these ICRs to OMB, the Coast Guard is inviting comments as described below.

DATES: Comments must reach the Coast Guard on or before July 2, 2007.

ADDRESSES: To make sure your comments and related material do not enter the docket [USCG-2007-27923] more than once, please submit them by only one of the following means:

(1) By mail to the Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 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, as well as documents mentioned in this notice as being available in the docket, 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 on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Copies of complete ICRs are available through this docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>, and also from Commandant (CG-611), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, room 10-1236 (Attn: Mr. Arthur Requina), 2100 2nd Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. The telephone number is 202-475-3523.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Arthur Requina, Office of Information Management, telephone 202-475-3523, or fax 202-475-3929, for questions on these documents; or telephone Ms. Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, 202-493-0402, for questions on the docket.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Participation and Request for Comments

We encourage you to respond to this request by submitting comments and related materials. We will post all comments received, without change, to <http://dms.dot.gov>; they will include any personal information you provided. We have an agreement with DOT to use the Docket Management Facility. Please see the paragraph on DOT's "Privacy Act Policy" below.

Submitting comments: If you submit a comment, please include your name and address, identify the docket number [USCG-2007-27923], indicate the specific section of the document to which each comment applies, providing a reason for each comment. You may submit your comments and material by electronic means, mail, fax, or delivery to the Docket Management Facility at the address under **ADDRESSES**; but please submit them by only one means. If you submit them by mail or 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 that 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. We may change the documents supporting this collection of information or even the underlying requirements in view of them.

Viewing comments and documents: To view comments, as well as documents mentioned in this notice as being available in the docket, go to

<http://dms.dot.gov> at any time and conduct a simple search using the docket number. You may also visit the Docket Management Facility in 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.

Privacy Act: Anyone can search the electronic form of all comments received in dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review the Privacy Act Statement of DOT in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477), or you may visit <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Information Collection Request

1. **Title:** Alternative Compliance for International and Inland Navigation Rules—33 CFR Parts 81 and 89.

OMB Control Number: 1625-0019.

Summary: The information collected provides an opportunity for an owner, operator, builder, or agent of a unique vessel to present their reasons why the vessel cannot comply with existing International/Inland Navigation Rules and how alternative compliance can be achieved. If appropriate, a Certificate of Alternative Compliance is issued.

Need: Certain vessels cannot comply with the International Navigation Rules (see 33 U.S.C. 1601 through 1608; 28 U.S.T. 3459, and T.I.A.S. 8587) and Inland Navigation Rules (33 U.S.C. 2001 through 2073). The Coast Guard thus provides an opportunity for alternative compliance. However, it is not possible to determine whether alternative compliance is appropriate, or what kind of alternative procedures might be necessary, without this collection.

Respondents: Vessel owners, operators, builders and agents.

Frequency: One-time application.

Burden Estimate: The estimated burden has decreased from 180 hours to 122 hours a year.

2. **Title:** Approval of Alterations to Marine Portable Tanks; Approval of Non-specification Portable Tanks.

OMB Control Number: 1625-0062.

Summary: The information will be used to evaluate the safety of proposed alterations to marine portable tanks and non-specification portable tank designs used to transfer hazardous materials during offshore operations, e.g., drilling rigs.

Need: Approval by the Coast Guard of alterations to marine portable tanks under 46 CFR part 64 ensures that the altered tank retains the level of safety to which it was originally designed. In

addition, rules that allow for the approval of non-specification portable tanks ensure that innovation and new designs are not frustrated by the regulation.

Respondents: Owners of marine portable tanks and owners/designers of non-specification portable tanks.

Frequency: On occasion.

Burden Estimate: The estimated burden remains unchanged at 18 hours a year.

3. *Title:* Navigation Safety Information and Emergency Instructions for Certain Towing Vessels.

OMB Control Number: 1625-0082.

Summary: Navigation safety regulations in 33 CFR part 164 help assure that the mariner piloting a towing vessel has adequate equipment, charts, maps, and other publications. For inspected towing vessels, under 46 CFR 199.80 a muster list and emergency instructions provide effective plans and references for crew to follow in an emergency situation.

Need: The purpose of the regulations is to improve the safety of towing vessels and the crews that operate them.

Respondents: Owners, operators and masters of vessels.

Frequency: On occasion.

Burden Estimate: The estimated burden has decreased from 367,701 hours to 362,907 hours a year.

4. *Title:* Sewage and Graywater Discharge Records for Certain Cruise Vessels Operating on Alaskan Waters.

OMB Control Number: 1625-0092.

Summary: To comply with the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2001, Public Law 106-554, 114 Stat. 2763, 2763A-315, this information collection is needed to enforce sewage and graywater discharge requirements from certain cruise ships operating on Alaskan waters.

Need: Title 33 CFR part 159 subpart E prescribes regulations governing the discharge of sewage and graywater from cruise vessels, requires sampling and testing of sewage and graywater discharges, and establishes reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Respondents: Owners, operators and masters of vessels.

Frequency: On occasion.

Burden Estimate: The estimated burden has decreased from 910 hours to 637 hours a year.

Dated: April 26, 2007.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[CGD01-07-029]

Area Maritime Security Committee (AMSC), Boston, MA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Solicitation for membership.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard seeks applications for membership in the Area Maritime Security Committee, Boston, MA. The Committee assists the Captain of the Port, Boston, in developing, reviewing, and updating the Area Maritime Security Plan for the Boston area of responsibility.

DATES: Requests for membership should reach the U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port Boston, MA by June 4, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Applications for membership should be submitted to the Captain of the Port/Federal Maritime Security Coordinator at the following address: Captain of the Port Boston, U.S. Coast Guard Sector Boston, Contingency Planning and Force Readiness Department, 427 Commercial St., Boston, MA 02109.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Phillip Smith, 617-223-3008.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Committee

The Area Maritime Security Committee, Boston, MA (AMSC), is established under 46 U.S.C. 70112(a)(2) and 33 CFR part 103, subpart C. The functions of the Committee include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (1) Identifying critical port infrastructure and operations.
- (2) Identifying risks (*i.e.*, threats, vulnerabilities, and consequences).
- (3) Determining strategies and implementation methods for mitigation.
- (4) Developing and describing the process for continuously evaluating overall port security by considering consequences and vulnerabilities, how they may change over time, and what additional mitigation strategies can be applied.
- (5) Advising and assisting the Captain of the Port in developing, reviewing, and updating the Area Maritime Security Plan under 33 CFR part 103, subpart E.

Positions Available on the Committee

There are 6 vacancies on the Committee. Members may be selected from—

- (1) The Federal, Territorial, or Tribal government;

(2) The State government and political subdivisions of the State;

(3) Local public safety, crisis management, and emergency response agencies;

(4) Law enforcement and security organizations;

(5) Maritime industry, including labor;

(6) Other port stakeholders having a special competence in maritime security; and

(7) Port stakeholders affected by security practices and policies.

In support of the Coast Guard's policy on gender and ethnic diversity, we encourage qualified women and members of minority groups to apply.

Qualification of Members

Members should have at least 5 years of experience related to maritime or port security operations. Applicants may be required to pass an appropriate security background check before appointment to the Committee. The term of office for each vacancy is 5 years. However, a member may serve one additional term of office. Members will not receive any salary or other compensation for their service on the AMS Committee.

Format of Applications

Applications for membership may be in any format. However, because members must demonstrate appropriate skills to evaluate the security of the port in accordance with part 103, as described in 33 CFR 103.410, we particularly encourage the submission of information highlighting experience in maritime or port security matters.

Authority

Section 70112 of the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-295) (the Act) authorizes the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating to establish Area Maritime Security Committees for any port area of the United States. See 33 U.S.C. 1226; 46 U.S.C. 70112(a)(2); 33 CFR 1.05-1, 6.01; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1. The Act exempts Area Maritime Security Committees from the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-463, section 2, 86 Stat. 770, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

Dated: April 23, 2007.

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