

Additional information about the meeting, including a roster of the panel members and the draft agenda, will be made available two weeks prior to the meeting on the NICEATM-ICCVAM Web site (<http://iccvam.niehs.nih.gov>). This information will also be available after that date by contacting NICEATM (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** above).

Attendance and Registration

This public meeting will take place March 4–6, 2008, at the CPSC Headquarters, Bethesda Towers Bldg., 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD (an area map, driving directions, and CPSC contact information are available at <http://www.cpsc.gov/about/contact.html>). The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. and is scheduled to conclude at approximately 5 p.m. each day, although adjournment on March 6 may occur earlier or later depending upon the time needed for the expert panel to complete its work. It is also possible that the panel may conclude its deliberations on March 5 and not need to meet on March 6. Persons needing special assistance in order to attend, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodation, should contact 919–541–2475 (voice), 919–541–4644 TTY (text telephone, through the Federal TTY Relay System at 800–877–8339), or e-mail niehsoeeo@niehs.nih.gov. Requests should be made at least seven days in advance of the event.

Availability of the Draft Background Review Documents and Draft ICCVAM Recommendations

NICEATM prepared draft background review documents on each of these modifications or applications of the LLNA that describe the current validation status of the modified test methods and applications and contain all of the data and analyses supporting this proposed validation status. The draft background review documents, draft ICCVAM test method recommendations, draft test method protocols, and revised draft test method performance standards are available from the NICEATM-ICCVAM Web site (<http://iccvam.niehs.nih.gov/methods/immunotox/immunotox.htm>) or by contacting NICEATM (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** above).

Request for Public Comments

NICEATM invites the submission of written comments on the draft background review documents, draft ICCVAM test method recommendations, draft test method protocols, and revised draft test method performance

standards. Written comments should be submitted preferably electronically via the NICEATM-ICCVAM Web site or by e-mail (niceatm@niehs.nih.gov); the deadline for submission of written comments is February 22, 2008. When submitting written comments, please refer to this **Federal Register** notice and include appropriate contact information (name, affiliation, mailing address, phone, fax, e-mail, and sponsoring organization, if applicable). Written comments may also be sent by mail, fax, or e-mail to Dr. William Stokes (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** above). All comments received will be placed on the NICEATM-ICCVAM Web site (<http://iccvam.niehs.nih.gov>) and identified by the individual's name and affiliation or sponsoring organization (if applicable). Comments will also be sent to the panel and ICCVAM agency representatives and made available at the meeting.

This meeting is open to the public, and time will be provided for the presentation of oral comments by the public at designated times during the peer review. Members of the public who wish to present oral statements at the meeting should contact NICEATM (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** above) no later than February 20, 2008, and provide contact information (name, affiliation, mailing address, phone, fax, e-mail, and sponsoring organization, if applicable). Up to seven minutes will be allotted per speaker, one speaker per organization. Persons registering to make comments are asked to provide NICEATM a written copy of their statement by February 27, 2008, so that copies can be distributed to the panel prior to the meeting. If this is not possible, please bring 40 copies of your comments to the meeting for distribution and to supplement the record. Written statements can supplement and expand the oral presentation.

Summary minutes and the panel's final report will be available following the meeting on the NICEATM-ICCVAM Web site (<http://iccvam.niehs.nih.gov>). ICCVAM will consider the panel's conclusions and recommendations and any public comments received when finalizing their test method recommendations and performance standards for these methods.

Background Information on ICCVAM and NICEATM

ICCVAM is an interagency committee composed of representatives from 15 Federal regulatory and research agencies that use or generate toxicological information. ICCVAM conducts technical evaluations of new, revised,

and alternative methods with regulatory applicability, and promotes the scientific validation and regulatory acceptance of toxicological test methods that more accurately assess the safety and hazards of chemicals and products and that refine, reduce, or replace animal use. The ICCVAM Authorization Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 2851–3, available at http://iccvam.niehs.nih.gov/docs/about_docs/PL106545.pdf) establishes ICCVAM as a permanent interagency committee of the NIEHS under NICEATM. NICEATM administers ICCVAM and provides scientific and operational support for ICCVAM-related activities. NICEATM and ICCVAM work collaboratively to evaluate new and improved test methods applicable to the needs of Federal agencies. Additional information about ICCVAM and NICEATM is available on the NICEATM-ICCVAM Web site at <http://iccvam.niehs.nih.gov>.

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- ISO. 2002. ISO 10993–10 Biological evaluation of medical devices—Part 10: Tests for irritation and delayed-type hypersensitivity. Geneva: International Organization for Standardization.
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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG–2007–0197]

Area Maritime Security Advisory Committee Detroit; Vacancies

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Request for applications.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard seeks applications for membership in the Area Maritime Security Committee (AMSC) Detroit. The Committee assists the Captain of the Port, Detroit, in developing, reviewing, and updating the

Area Maritime Security Plan for their area of responsibility.

DATES: Requests for membership should reach the U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port Detroit by February 7, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Applications for membership should be submitted to the Captain of the Port Detroit at the following address: U.S. Coast Guard Sector Detroit, 110 Mt. Elliot Ave., Detroit, MI, 48207.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions about submitting an application or about the AMSC in general contact: LT Jeff Ahlgren, Waterways Management, U.S. Coast Guard Sector Detroit, 110 Mount Elliot Ave., Detroit MI, 48207; (313) 568-9580.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Committee

The Area Maritime Security Committee (the Committee and Sub-Committees), is established under, and governed by, 33 CFR Part 103, subpart C. The functions of the Committee/Sub-Committees 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.

Qualification of Members

Members must 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/Sub-Committees.

Applicants must register and remain active as Coast Guard Homeport users if appointed.

The term of office for each vacancy is 5 years. However, a member may serve one additional term of office. Members are not salaried or otherwise compensated for their service on the Committee/Sub-Committees.

Format of Applications

Applications for membership may be in any format. However, because members must demonstrate an interest

in the security of the area covered by the Committee/Regional Sub-Committees, we particularly encourage the submission of information highlighting experience in maritime or security matters.

Authority

Section 102 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 103.205; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1. The Act exempts Area Maritime Security Committees from the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App. (Pub. L. 92-463).

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2007-0194]

Area Maritime Security Committee, Eastern Great Lakes; and Regional Sub-Committees; Vacancies

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Request for applications.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard seeks applications for membership in the Area Maritime Security Committee, Eastern Great Lakes and five regional sub-committees: Northeast Ohio Region, Northwestern Pennsylvania Region, Western New York Region, Lake Ontario Region and St Lawrence Region. The Committee assists the Captain of the Port, Buffalo, in developing, reviewing, and updating the Area Maritime Security Plan for their area of responsibility.

DATES: Requests for membership should reach the U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port, Buffalo, on February 7, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Submit applications for membership to the Captain of the Port, Buffalo, Attn: Regional Executive Coordinator, 1 Fuhrmann Boulevard, Buffalo, NY 14203-3189.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Northeast Ohio Region Executive Coordinator—Mr. Peter Killmer at 216-937-0136.

Northwestern Pennsylvania Region Executive Coordinator—Mr. Joseph Fetscher at 216-937-0126.

Northwestern New York Region Executive Coordinator—Mr. Timothy Balunis at 716-843-9559.

Lake Ontario Region Executive Coordinator—Mr. David Mergenthaler at 716-843-9579.

St Lawrence Region Executive Coordinator—Mr. Ralph Kring at 716-843-9326.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Committee

The Area Maritime Security Committee, Eastern Great Lakes (the Committee and Sub-Committees), is established under, and governed by, 33 CFR Part 103, subpart C. The functions of the Committee/Sub-Committees 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 10 vacancies on the Eastern Great Lakes Committee. These vacancies will be the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson from the five regional subcommittees: Northeast Ohio Region, Northwestern Pennsylvania Region, Western New York Region, Lake Ontario Region and St Lawrence Region. 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