SUMMARY: The Great Lakes Pilotage Advisory Committee (GLPAC) will meet on May 20, 2011, in Washington, District of Columbia. The meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: GLPAC will meet on Friday, May 20, 2011, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please note the meeting may close early if the committee completes its business. Written material and requests to make oral presentations or to have a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee should reach us on or before May 16, 2011.

ADDRESS: The meeting will be held at Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 2nd Street Southwest, Washington, District of Columbia 20593, in conference room 51309. All visitors to Coast Guard Headquarters will have to pre-register to be admitted to the building. Please provide your name, telephone number and organization by close of business on May 16, 2011, to the contact person listed in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT below. Additionally, all visitors to Coast Guard Headquarters must produce valid photo identification for access to the facility.

To facilitate public participation, we are inviting public comment on the issues to be considered by the committee as listed in the “Agenda” section below. Comments must be submitted in writing no later than May 16, 2011, and must be identified by [USCG—2011–0338] and may be submitted by one of the following methods:

- E-mail: David.J.Dean@uscg.mil. Include the docket number in the subject line of the message.
- Fax: (202)372–1909.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the words “Department of Homeland Security” and the docket number for this action. Comments received will be posted without alteration at http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided.

Docket: For access to the docket to read documents or comments related to this notice, go to http://www.regulations.gov.

A public comment period will be held during the meeting on May 20, 2011, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., and speakers
are requested to limit their comments to 5 minutes. Please note that the public comment period may end before the time indicated, following the last call for comments. Contact the individual listed below to register as a speaker.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. David Dean, GLPAC Assistant Designated Federal Officer (ADFO), Commandant (CG–5522), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW., Stop 5780, Washington, DC 20593–7580; telephone 202–372–1533, fax 202–372–1909, or e-mail at David.J.Dean@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (Pub. L. 92–463). It was established under the authority of 46 U.S.C. 9307, and advises the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Coast Guard on Great Lakes pilot registration, operating requirements, training policies, and pilotage rates and other matters relating to Great Lakes pilotage.

GLPAC expects to meet twice per year but may also meet at other times at the call of the Secretary. Further information about GLPAC is available by searching on “Great Lakes Pilotage Advisory Committee” at http://www.fido.gov/facadatabase/.

Agenda

The GLPAC will meet to review, discuss and formulate recommendations on the following issues:

Old Business:

Discussion of bridge hour analysis that reflects the actual pilotage time on task including bridge hours, standby time, travel time and delay/detention time using historical traffic records.

New Business:

Review of bridge hour calculations, a measure of pilotage hours and a key factor in determining pilotage rates;

Review of the methodology used to determine annual pilotage rates;

Implementation of a 2010 GLPAC recommendation to modify the methodology for reviewing pilotage rates every fifth year so that it can be applied on a partial basis to recognize major expenses incurred between fifth year reviews;

Discussion of the future role of the Great Lakes Pilotage Electronic Management System, as well as the current uses of the software for dispatching and billing.

Dated: April 26, 2011.

Dana A. Goward,

Director Marine Transportation Systems Management, U.S. Coast Guard.

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Department of Homeland Security

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USC–2011–0142]

Prince William Sound Regional Citizens’ Advisory Council (PWSRCAC) Charter Renewal

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of recertification.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to inform the public that the Coast Guard has recertified the Prince William Sound Regional Citizens’ Advisory Council (PWSRCAC) as an alternative voluntary advisory group for Prince William Sound, Alaska. This certification allows the PWSRCAC to monitor the activities of terminal facilities and crude oil tankers under the Prince William Sound Program established by statute.

DATES: This recertification is effective for the period from March 1st, 2011 through February 29, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LCDR Michael Franklin, Seventeenth Coast Guard District (dpi); Telephone (907)463–2821, e-mail Michael.R.Franklin@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background and Purpose

As part of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, Congress passed the Oil Terminal and Oil Tanker Environmental Oversight and Monitoring Act of 1990 (the Act), 33 U.S.C. 2732, to foster a long-term partnership among industry, government, and local communities in overseeing compliance with environmental concerns in the operation of crude oil terminals and oil tankers.

On October 18, 1991, the President delegated his authority under 33 U.S.C. 2732(o) to the Secretary of Transportation in Executive Order 12777, section 8(g) (see 56 FR 54757; October 22, 1991) for purposes of certifying advisory councils, or groups, subject to the Act. On March 3, 1992, the Secretary redelegated that authority to the Commandant of the USCG (see 57 FR 8582; March 11, 1992). The Commandant redelegated that authority to the Chief, Office of Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection (G–M) on March 19, 1992 (letter #5402).

On July 7, 1993, the USCG published a policy statement, 58 FR 36504, to clarify the factors that shall be considered in making the determination as to whether advisory councils, or groups, should be certified in accordance with the Act.

The Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety and Environmental Protection (G–M), redelegated recertification authority for advisory councils, or groups, to the Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard District on February 26, 1999 (letter #16450).

On September 16, 2002, the USCG published a policy statement, 67 FR 58440, that changed the recertification procedures such that applicants are required to provide the USCG with comprehensive information every three years (triennially). For each of the two years between the triennial application procedure, applicants submit a letter requesting recertification that includes a description of any substantive changes to the information provided at the previous triennial recertification.

Further, public comment is not solicited prior to recertification during streamlined years, only during the triennial comprehensive review.

The Alyeska Pipeline Service Company pays the PWSRCAC $2.9 million annually in the form of a long-term contract. In return for this funding, the PWSRCAC must annually show that it “fosters the goals and purposes” of OPA 90 and is “broadly representative of the communities and interests in the vicinity of the terminal facilities and Prince William Sound.” The PWSRCAC is an independent, nonprofit organization founded in 1989. Though it receives Federal oversight like many independent, non-profit organizations, it is not a Federal agency. The PWSRCAC is a local organization that predates the passage of OPA 90. The existence of the PWSRCAC was specifically recognized in OPA 90 where it is defined as an “alternate voluntary advisory group.”

Alyeska funds the PWSRCAC and the Coast Guard makes sure the PWSRCAC operates in a fashion that is broadly consistent with OPA 90.

Discussion of Comments

On January 7th, 2011 the USCG published a Notice of Availability; request for comments for recertification of Prince William Sound Regional Citizens’ Advisory Council in the Federal Register (76 FR 1187). We received 65 letters commenting on the proposed action. No public meeting was requested, and none was held. Of the 65 letters received, all 65 had positive comments. These letters consistently cited PWSRCAC’s broad representation of the respective community’s interests, appropriate actions to keep the public informed, in improvements to both spill response preparation and spill prevention, and oil spill industry...