operated where vessels contact a remote
drawbridge operator via VHF–FM
Channel 16 or telephone (503) 895–
6087. Mariners establish radio or
telephone communications and request
an opening. The remote operator
ensures no trains are in the block and
then opens the drawspan. Once opened
to navigation it remains raised until the
remote operator verifies safe vessel
passage. This verification is conducted
by radio or telephone confirmation with
the passing vessel, video monitoring,
and boat detection equipment.

The temporary deviation period will
start 12:01 a.m. on June 15, 2012
through 11:59 p.m. on July 15, 2012.
During this time the drawspan will be
opened on demand by a remote
operator.

This temporary deviation has been
coordinated with waterway users. No
objections were received. There are no
alternate routes for vessels transiting
this section of the Black River.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(e),
the drawbridge must return to its regular
operating schedule immediately at the
end of the designated time period. This
temporary deviation from the operating
regulations is authorized under 33 CFR
117.35.

Eric A. Washburn,
Bridge Administrator, Western Rivers.
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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND
SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[Docket No. USCG–2012–0412]

Drawbridge Operation Regulation;
Willamette River, Portland, OR

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation
from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard has issued a
temporary deviation from the operating
schedule that governs the upper deck of
the Steel Bridge across the Willamette
River, mile 12.1, to remain in the closed
position and need not open for maritime
traffic from 7 a.m. through 1 p.m. on
June 9, 2012. The bridge shall operate in
accordance to 33 CFR 117.897 at all
other times. Waterway usage on this
stretch of the Willamette River includes
vessels ranging from commercial tug
and barge to small pleasure craft.

Mariners will be notified and kept
informed of the bridge’s operational
status via the Coast Guard Notice to
Mariners publication and Broadcast
Notice to Mariners as appropriate. The
lift span will be required to open if
needed, for public vessels of the United
States and Canada and for vessels
engaged in emergency response
operations during this closure period.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(e),
the drawbridge must return to its regular
operating schedule immediately at the
end of the designated time period. This
deviation from the operating regulations
is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Randall D. Overton,
Bridge Administrator.

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SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[Docket No. USCG–2012–0406]

Drawbridge Operation Regulation;
Willamette River, Portland, OR

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation
from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard has issued a
temporary deviation from the operating
schedule that governs the upper deck of
the Steel Bridge across the Willamette
River, mile 12.1, at Portland, OR. This
deviation is necessary to accommodate
the efficient movement of light rail and
roadway traffic associated with the
Rose Parade. The Steel Bridge crosses
the Willamette River at mile 12.1 and is a
double-deck lift bridge with a lower lift
deck and an upper lift deck which
operate independent of each other.

When both decks are in the down
position the bridge provides 26 feet of
vertical clearance above Columbia River
Datum 0.0. When the lower deck is in
the up position the bridge provides 71
feet of vertical clearance above
Columbia River Datum 0.0. This
deviation does not affect the operating
schedule of the lower deck which opens
on signal. Vessels which do not require
an opening of the upper deck of the
bridge may continue to transit beneath
the bridge and, if needed, may obtain an
opening of the lower deck of the bridge
for passage during this closure period of
the upper deck. Under normal
conditions the upper deck of the Steel
Bridge operates in accordance with 33
CFR 117.897(c)(3)(ii) which states that
from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through
Friday one hour advance notice shall be
given for draw openings and at all other
times two hours advance notice shall be
given to obtain an opening. This
deviation is effective from 7 a.m. on
June 9, 2012 through 1 p.m. June 9, 2012.
The deviation allows the upper deck of
the Steel Bridge across the Willamette