have questions on viewing the docket, call Barbara Hairston, Program Manager, Docket Operations, at 202–366–9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Burlington County Bridge Commission, who owns and operates this bascule drawbridge, has requested a temporary deviation from the current operating regulations to facilitate the resurfacing of the bridge roadway.

The Tacony-Palmyra Bridge (Route 73) at mile 107.2, across the Delaware River, between PA and NJ, has a vertical clearance in the closed position of 53 feet above mean high water (MHW). This clearance will be reduced during the resurfacing by approximately 3 feet, to 50 feet above MHW.

Under the current operating schedule set out in 33 CFR 117.5 and 117.716(b): The regulation requires that the drawbridge must open promptly and fully for the passage of vessels when a request or signal to open is given, and that the opening not be delayed more than five minutes.

Under this temporary deviation, the bridge will be closed-to-navigation for resurfacing repairs, which will restrict the operation of the drawspan from 9 p.m. on August 16, 2013 until 9 p.m. August 30, 2013.

Vessels that can pass under the bridge in the closed position may do so at all times and are advised to proceed with caution. Emergency openings cannot be provided. There are no alternate routes for vessels transiting this section of the Delaware River.

The Coast Guard has coordinated this with the Delaware Pilots, and will inform the users of the waterways through our Local and Broadcast Notices to Mariners of the closure period for the bridge so that vessels can arrange their transits to minimize any impact caused by the temporary deviation. Waterway traffic consists of freighters, recreational boats, tugs, and barges.

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


Waverly W. Gregory, Jr.,
Bridge Program Manager, Fifth Coast Guard District.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
Coast Guard
33 CFR Part 117
[Docket No. USCG–2013–0601]

Drawbridge Operation Regulation; The Straights, Harkers Island, NC

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of deviation from drawbridge regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard has issued a temporary deviation from the operating schedule that governs the swing of the Route 70/Harkers Island Bridge, across The Straights, mile 0.6, Harkers Island, NC. This deviation is necessary to facilitate coupling repair on the Route 70/Harkers Island Bridge. This temporary deviation allows the swing bridge to remain in the closed to navigation position.

DATES: This deviation is effective from noon until 11:59 p.m. on August 5, 2013.

ADDRESSES: The docket for this deviation, [USCG–2013–0601] is available at http://www.regulations.gov. Type the docket number in the “SEARCH” box and click “SEARCH.” Click on Open Docket Folder on the line associated with this deviation. You may also visit the Docket Management Facility in Room W12–140 on the ground floor of the Department of Transportation West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this temporary deviation, call or email Mr. Jim Rousseau, Bridge Administration Branch Fifth District, Coast Guard; telephone 757–398–6557, email James.L.Rousseau2.uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Barbara Hairston, Program Manager, Docket Operations, 202–366–9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The North Carolina Department of Transportation, who owns and operates this swing-type bridge, has requested a temporary deviation from the current operating regulations set out in 33 CFR 117.5 to facilitate coupling repair.

Under the regular operating schedule for the Route 70/Harkers Island Bridge, across The Straights, mile 0.6, in Harkers Island, NC, the draw must open promptly and fully for the passage of vessels when a request or signal to open is given. The drawbridge has a vertical clearance in the closed position to vessels of 14.2 feet, above mean high water.

Under this temporary deviation, the drawbridge will be maintained in the closed to navigation position from noon to 11:59 p.m. on August 5, 2013; the bridge will operate under normal operating schedule at all other times. The drawbridge normally opens on demand with several small commercial and recreational vessels transiting a week. Emergency openings cannot be provided. There are no alternate routes for vessels transiting this section of The Straights, but vessels that require an opening may proceed before noon and after midnight. Mariners able to pass under the bridge in the closed position may do so at any time and are advised to proceed with caution.

The Straights is used by a variety of vessels including small commercial and recreational vessels. The Coast Guard has carefully coordinated the restrictions with these waterway users. The Coast Guard will also inform additional waterway users through our Local and Broadcast Notices to Mariner of the closure periods for the bridge so that vessels can arrange their transits to minimize any impacts caused by the temporary deviation.

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.

Dated: July 2, 2013.

Waverly W. Gregory, Jr.,
Bridge Program Manager, Fifth Coast Guard District.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
Coast Guard
33 CFR Part 117
[Docket No. USCG–2013–0599]

Drawbridge Operation Regulations; The Gut, South Bristol, ME

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Commander, First Coast Guard District, has issued a temporary deviation from the regulation governing the operation of the SR129 Bridge across The Gut, mile 0.2, between Rutherford Island and South Bristol, Maine. The bridge owner, Maine Department of
Transportation will be performing test borings at the bridge. This deviation allows the bridge to delay test openings by 10 minutes for a 4-hour period to facilitate scheduled test borings at the bridge.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 10 a.m. through 2 p.m. on July 15, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket are part of docket USCG—2013–0599 and are available online at www.regulations.gov, inserting USCG—2013–0599 in the “Keyword” and then clicking “Search.” They are also available for inspection or copying at the Docket Management Facility (M–30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this rule, call or email Mr. John McDonald, Project Officer, First Coast Guard District, telephone (617) 223–8364, john.w.mcdonald@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Barbara Hairston, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–366–9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The SR129 Bridge, across The Gut, mile 0.2, between Rutherford Island and South Bristol, Maine, has a vertical clearance in the closed position of 3 feet above mean low water and 12 feet above mean low water. The bridge operating regulations are listed at 33 CFR 117.5.

The waterway is transited by recreational and commercial fishing boats. There is an alternate route for navigation around Rutherford Island and the bridge can be opened as soon as possible for an emergency situation.

The bridge owner, Maine Department of Transportation, requested a temporary deviation from the normal operating schedule to facilitate test boring operations.

Under this temporary deviation the SR129 Bridge may delay bridge openings by 10 minutes between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on July 15, 2013 to facilitate moving a test boring rig out of the channel.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(e), the bridge 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.