

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below is being forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comments. A **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following information collection published in the **Federal Register** on April 23, 2014.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before August 6, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara Jackson, 202-366-0615, Office of Management and Administrative Services, Maritime Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0543.

Type of Request: Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection.

Abstract: The information collection activity was published on April 23, 2014 (**Federal Register** 22757-22758, Vol. 79, No. 78) will garner qualitative customer and stakeholder feedback in an efficient, timely manner, in accordance with the Administration's commitment to improving service delivery. By qualitative feedback we mean information that provides useful insights on perceptions and opinions, but are not statistical surveys that yield quantitative results that can be generalized to the population of study. This feedback will provide insights into customer or stakeholder perceptions, experiences and expectations, provide an early warning of issues with service, or focus attention on areas where communication, training or changes in operations might improve delivery of products or services. These collections will allow for ongoing, collaborative and actionable communications between the Agency and its customers and stakeholders. It will also allow feedback to contribute directly to the improvement of program management.

Feedback collected under this generic clearance will provide useful information, but it will not yield data that can be generalized to the overall population. This type of generic clearance for qualitative information will not be used for quantitative

information collections that are designed to yield reliably actionable results, such as monitoring trends over time or documenting program performance. Such data uses require more rigorous designs that address: The target population to which generalizations will be made, the sampling frame, the sample design (including stratification and clustering), the precision requirements or power calculations that justify the proposed sample size, the expected response rate, methods for assessing potential non-response bias, the protocols for data collection, and any testing procedures that were or will be undertaken prior to fielding the study. Depending on the degree of influence the results are likely to have, such collections may still be eligible for submission for other generic mechanisms that are designed to yield quantitative results.

Affected Public: Individuals and Households, Businesses and Organizations, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 8696.

Estimated Number of Responses: 8696.

Annual Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1499.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the burden estimate, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for the Office of the Secretary of Transportation, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.93.

Dated: June 30, 2014.

Christine Gurland,

Acting Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

[Docket No. DOT-MARAD 2014-0096]

Agency Requests for Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection(s): Determination of Fair and Reasonable Rates for the Carriage of Bulk and Package Preference Cargoes on U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels

AGENCY: MARAD, DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation (DOT) invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by September 5, 2014.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments [identified by Docket No. DOT-OST-2014-0096] through one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Fax:* 1-202-493-2251.
- *Mail or Hand Delivery:* Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Albert Bratton, Telephone Number: (202) 366-5769, Office of Business Finance, Maritime Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 2133-0514.

Title: Determination of Fair and Reasonable Rates for the Carriage of Bulk and Package Preference Cargoes on U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels.

Form Numbers: MA-1025, MA-1026, and MA-172.

Type of Review: Renewal of an information collection.

Background: This collection of information requires U.S.-flag operators to submit annual vessel operating costs and capital costs data to Maritime Administration officials. The information is used by the Maritime Administration in determining fair and reasonable guideline rates for the carriage of preference cargoes on U.S.-flag vessels. In addition, U.S.-flag vessel

operators are required to submit Post Voyage Reports to the Maritime Administration after completion of a cargo preference voyage.

Respondents: U.S. citizens who own and operate U.S.-flag vessels.

Number of Respondents: 51.

Frequency: Annually.

Number of Responses: 102.

Total Annual Burden: 306.

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the Department's performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for the Department to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (d) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.93.

Dated: June 30, 2014.

Christine Gurland,

Acting Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

[Docket No. DOT-MARAD 2014-0097]

Agency Requests for Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection(s): Procedures for Determining Vessel Services Categories for Purposes of the Cargo Preference Act

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments

SUMMARY: The Maritime Administration (MARAD) invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew a previously approved information collection that is summarized below under

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by September 5, 2014.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments [identified by Docket No. DOT-MARAD-2014-0097] through one of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- **Fax:** 1-202-493-2251

- **Mail or Hand Delivery:** Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dennis Brennan, 202-366-1029, Office of Cargo and Commercial Sealift, Maritime Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 2133-0540.

Title: Procedures for Determining Vessel Services Categories for Purposes of the Cargo Preference Act.

Form Numbers: None.

Type of Review: Renewal of an information collection.

Background: The purpose is to provide information to be used in the designation of service categories of individual vessels for purposes of compliance with the Cargo Preference Act under a Memorandum of Understanding entered into by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Agency for International Development, and the Maritime Administration. MARAD will use the data submitted by vessel operators to create a list of Vessel Self-Designations and determine whether MARAD agrees or disagrees with a vessel owner's designation of a vessel.

Respondents: Owners or operators of U.S.-registered vessels and foreign-registered vessels.

Number of Respondents: 100.

Frequency: Annually.

Number of Responses: 100.

Total Annual Burden: 800 Hours/8 hours per Respondent.

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the Department's performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for the Department to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (d) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.93.

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Acting Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2014-0098]

Inventory of U.S.-Flag Launch Barges

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Inventory of U.S.-Flag Launch Barges.

SUMMARY: The Maritime Administration is updating its inventory of U.S.-flag launch barges. Additions, changes and comments to the list are requested. Launch barge information may be found at http://www.marad.dot.gov/ships_shipping_landing_page/domestic_shipping/launch_barge_program/Launch_Barge_Program.htm.

DATES: Any comments on this inventory should be submitted in writing to the contact person by August 6, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Hokana, Office of Cargo Preference and Domestic Trade, Maritime Administration, MAR-730, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202-366-0760; email: Michael.Hokana@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to 46 CFR Part 389 (Docket No. MARAD-2008-0045) Determination of Availability of Coastwise-Qualified Vessels for the Transportation of Platform Jackets, the Final Rule requires that the Maritime Administration publish a notice in the **Federal Register** requesting that owners or operators (or potential owners or operators) of coastwise qualified launch barges notify us of:

(1) Their interest in participating in the transportation and, if needed, the launching or installation of offshore platform jackets; (2) the contact information for their company; and, (3) the specifications of any currently owned or operated coastwise qualified launch barges or plans to construct same. In addition, we are also seeking information on non-coastwise qualified (U.S.-flag) launch barges as well.

Privacy Act

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the