

published. 44 U.S.C. 3507(b)–(c); 5 CFR 1320.12(d); *see also* 60 FR 44978, 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. OMB believes that the 30 day notice informs the regulated community to file relevant comments and affords the agency adequate time to digest public comments before it renders a decision. 60 FR 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. Therefore, respondents should submit their respective comments to OMB within 30 days of publication to best ensure having their full effect. 5 CFR 1320.12(c); *see also* 60 FR 44983, Aug. 29, 1995.

The summaries below describe the nature of the information collection requirements (ICRs) and the expected burden. The requirements are being submitted for clearance by OMB as required by the PRA.

Title: 49 U.S.C. Section 5337, the State of Good Repair Grants Program.

OMB Control Number: 2132–0577.

Type of Request: Extension without change of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: 49 U.S.C. Section 5337, the State of Good Repair Grants Program was authorized by Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP–21). It was reauthorized under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act Section 3015. This program authorizes the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to designated recipients to maintain, replace, and rehabilitate high intensity fixed guideway systems and high intensity motorbus systems. Eligible recipients include state and local government authorities in urbanized areas with high intensity fixed guideway systems and/or high intensity motorbus systems operating for at least seven years. Projects are funded at 80 percent federal with a 20 percent local match requirement by statute. FTA will apportion funds to designated recipients. The designated recipients will then allocate funds as appropriate to recipients that are public entities in the urbanized areas. FTA can make grants to direct recipients after sub-allocation of funds. Recipients apply for grants electronically, and FTA collects milestone and financial status reports from designated recipients on a quarterly basis. The information submitted ensures FTA's compliance with applicable federal laws.

Annual Estimated Total Burden Hours: 9,120 hours.

ADDRESSES: All written comments must refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document and be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th

Street NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention: FTA Desk Officer.

Alternatively, comments may be sent via email to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), Office of Management and Budget, at the following address: oira_submissions@omb.eop.gov.

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. A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

William Hyre,

Deputy Associate Administrator for Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

Acceptance of Applications for the Award of Two Maritime Security Program Operating Agreements

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of application period for the Maritime Security Program.

SUMMARY: The Maritime Administration (MARAD) is issuing this request for applications for eligible vessels to enroll in two Maritime Security Program (MSP) Operating Agreements, subject to the availability of appropriations, in accordance with the provisions of the Maritime Security Act of 2003, Public Law 108–136, div. C, title XXXV, as amended by Section 3508 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year (FY) 2013, Public Law 112–239 (NDAA 2013). The MSP maintains a fleet of active, commercially viable, militarily useful, privately owned vessels to meet national defense and other security requirements and to maintain a United States presence in international commercial shipping. This request for applications provides, among other things, application criteria and a deadline for submitting

applications for vessel enrollment in the MSP.

DATES: Applications for the enrollment of two vessels must be received no later than November 2, 2016. Applications should be submitted to the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section below.

ADDRESSES: Application forms and instructions are available on the MARAD Web site at <http://www.marad.dot.gov/ships-and-shipping/strategic-sealift/maritime-security-program-msp/>. Applications shall be addressed to the Director, Office of Sealift Support, Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W25–310, Washington, DC 20590.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William G. McDonald, Director, Office of Sealift Support, Maritime Administration, (202) 366–0688. For military utility questions, call Mr. Tim Boemecke, United States Transportation Command (USTRANSCOM), (618) 220–1452.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 53102(a) of Title 46, United States Code, directs the Secretary of Transportation (Secretary), in consultation with the Secretary of Defense (SecDef), to establish a fleet of active, commercially-viable, militarily-useful, privately-owned vessels to meet national defense and other security requirements. Payments to participating operators are subject to the availability of appropriations and are limited to the following amounts: \$3.5 million per ship for FY 2016, \$4.99995 million per ship for FY 2017, \$5.0 million per ship for FY 2018 through 2020, \$5.233463 million per ship for FY 2021, and \$3.7 million per ship for FY 2022 through FY 2025. Consistent with the National Security Requirements section below, participating operators are required to make their commercial transportation resources available upon request by SecDef during times of war or national emergency.

Application Criteria

The NDAA 2013 amended the procedures in 46 U.S.C. 53103(c) for awarding new MSP Operating Agreements. Namely, it established a revised priority system whereby applications would first be evaluated on the basis of vessel type, as determined by Department of Defense (DOD) requirements, with secondary consideration then provided to the citizenship status of the applicant.

Vessel Requirements

Acceptable vessels for these MSP Operating Agreements must meet the requirements of 46 U.S.C. 53102(b) and 46 CFR 296.11. In addition, the Commander, USTRANSCOM, has established DOD general evaluation criteria on the military requirements for eligible MSP vessels. Priority consideration, consistent with the requirements of 46 U.S.C. 53103(c), will be given to applications providing for enrollment of the following vessel types in order of priority:

1. Roll-On/Roll-Off (RO/RO) Vessels.
2. Multi-Purpose/Heavy Lift Vessels.
3. Geared Container Ships.

4. All other vessel types, which will be considered after all applications for the above listed vessels types have been reviewed.

For each individual application, the offered vessel's class society vessel-type designation will serve as the primary factor in determining the priority category in which the vessel is placed.

National Security Requirements

Successful applicants will be required to enter into an Emergency Preparedness Agreement (EPA) pursuant to 46 U.S.C. 53107. The EPA incorporates the terms of the Voluntary Intermodal Sealift Agreement (VISA), available in 79 FR 64462 (October 29, 2014).

Documentation

Vessels must be documented in the United States under 46 U.S.C. chapter 121 prior to being eligible for MSP payments. Further, proof of U.S. Coast Guard vessel documentation and all relevant charter and management agreements must be approved by MARAD before the vessel will be eligible to receive MSP payments. If a vessel being considered is not currently under U.S. documentation, MARAD requires information regarding the time line proposed that would bring the vessel under U.S. Coast Guard documentation.

Vessel Operation

Vessels under MSP Operating Agreements shall be operated exclusively in foreign commerce as defined in 46 U.S.C. 53101(4) or in permissible mixed foreign commerce and domestic trade as provided by 46 U.S.C. 53105(a)(1)(A).

Prior Applicants

Applicants who previously responded to MARAD's November 27, 2015, Notice of Application Period for the Maritime Security Program, 80 FR 74209 (November 27, 2015), that wish to

submit the same vessel(s) for consideration may do so by submitting a letter expressing their intention and providing any updated information and documentation.

Award

MARAD does not guarantee the award of MSP Operating Agreements in response to applications submitted under this Notice. In the event that no awards are made or an application is not selected for an award, the applicant will be provided with a written reason why the application was denied, consistent with the requirements of 46 U.S.C. 53103(c).

Protection of Confidential Commercial or Financial Information

If the application includes information that the applicant considers to be a trade secret or confidential commercial or financial information, the applicant should do the following: (1) Note on the front cover that the submission "Contains Confidential Commercial or Financial Information (CCFI)"; (2) mark each affected page "CCFI"; and (3) highlight or otherwise denote the CCFI portions. MARAD will protect such information from disclosure to the extent allowed under applicable law. In the event MARAD receives a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for the information, procedures described in the Department's FOIA regulation at 49 CFR 7.29 will be followed. Only information that is ultimately determined to be confidential under that procedure will be exempt from disclosure under FOIA. (Authority: 46 U.S.C. 53102 and 53103; 46 CFR 296.24; 49 CFR 1.92 and 1.93)

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Dated: September 28, 2016.

T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Global Positioning System Adjacent Band Compatibility Assessment Workshop V Meeting

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology (OST-R), Department of Transportation.
ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to inform the public that the U.S. Department of Transportation will host its fifth workshop on the Global Positioning System (GPS) Adjacent Band Compatibility Assessment effort.

The purpose of this workshop is to discuss the results from testing of various categories of GPS/Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) receivers to include aviation (non-certified), cellular, general location/navigation, high precision and networks, timing, and space-based receivers. The workshop also will include a discussion on the development of use-case scenarios for these categories.

DATES:

Meeting date/time: October 14, 2016 10 a.m.–4 p.m. (Eastern Daylight Time).

Registration deadline: October 11, 2016. Request alternative meeting formats or services by October 7, 2016.

ADDRESSES: RTCA, Inc., 1150 18th St. NW., Suite 910, Washington, DC 20036.

Several days leading up to the workshop, an email containing the agenda, dial-in, and WebEx information will be provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stephen M. Mackey, U.S. Department of Transportation, John A. Volpe National Transportation Systems Center, V-345, 55 Broadway, Cambridge, MA 02142, Stephen.Mackey@dot.gov 617-494-2753.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The goal of the GPS Adjacent Band Compatibility Assessment Study is to evaluate the adjacent radio frequency band power levels that can be tolerated by GPS/GNSS receivers, and advance the Department's understanding of the extent to which such power levels impact devices used for transportation safety purposes, among other GPS/GNSS applications. The Department obtained input from broad public outreach in development of its GPS Adjacent Band Compatibility Assessment Test Plan that included four public meetings with stakeholders on September 18 and December 4, 2014, and March 12 and October 2, 2015, public issuance of a draft test plan on September 9, 2015 (see 80 FR 54368), and comments received regarding the test plan. The final test plan was published March 9, 2016 (see 81 FR 12564) and requested voluntary participation in this Study by any interested GPS/GNSS device manufacturers or other parties whose products incorporate GPS/GNSS devices. In April 2016, radiated testing of GNSS devices took place in an anechoic chamber at the U.S. Army Research Laboratory at the White Sands Missile Range (WSMR) facility in New Mexico. Additional lab testing was conducted in July 2016 at Zeta Associates in Fairfax, Virginia and