

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Maritime Administration****[Docket No. DOT–MARAD–2018–0026]****Request for Comments on the Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection: Shipbuilding Orderbook and Shipyard Employment****AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, DOT.**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Maritime Administration (MARAD) invites public comments on our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. The information to be collected is necessary in order for MARAD to perform and carry out its duties required by the Merchant Marine Act of 1936 as amended. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before April 23, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by Docket No. DOT–MARAD–2018–0026 through one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Search using the above DOT docket number and 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. Comments are invited on: (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.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Elizabeth Gearhart, 202–366–1867, Office of Shipyards and Marine Engineering, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Shipbuilding Orderbook and Shipyard Employment.

*OMB Control Number:* 2133–0029.  
*Type of Request:* Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection.

*Form Numbers:* MA–832.

*Abstract:* In compliance with 46 U.S.C. 50102 (2007), the Merchant Marine Act of 1936, as amended, MARAD conducts this survey to obtain information from the shipbuilding and ship repair industry to be used primarily to determine, if an adequate mobilization base exists for national defense and for use in a national emergency.

*Respondents:* Owners of U.S. shipyards who agree to complete the requested information.

*Affected Public:* Owners of U.S. shipyards who agree to complete the requested information.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 200.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 200.

*Estimated Hours per Response:* 30 minutes.

*Annual Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 100.

*Frequency of Response:* Annually.

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

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By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Dated: February 14, 2018.

**T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,**

*Secretary, Maritime Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Maritime Administration****[Docket No. MARAD–2018–0024]****Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws: Vessel PENINGO; Invitation for Public Comments****AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, DOT.**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before March 22, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should refer to docket number MARAD–2018–0024.

Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M–30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590. You may also send comments electronically via the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Bianca Carr, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W23–453, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202–366–9309, Email [Bianca.carr@dot.gov](mailto:Bianca.carr@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel PENINGO is:

—*Intended Commercial Use of Vessel:*

“3 hour sailing and limited 8-hour sailing charters in New England coastal waters. Sailing will be almost exclusively in and around Boston harbor”

—*Geographic Region:* “Massachusetts, Maine, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York (excluding New York Harbor)”

The complete application is given in DOT docket MARAD–2018–0024 at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388, that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments. Comments should also state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in section 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

**Privacy Act**

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT/MARAD solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT/MARAD posts these comments, without edit, to