

to give notice that the Advisory Committee on Blood and Tissue Safety and Availability (ACBTSA) will hold a meeting on April 15–16, 2019. The notice is being amended to include a registration link for any individuals who wish to attend the meeting in-person, as well as a link to the ACBTSA website for more information.

**DATES:** The meeting will take place Monday April 15, 2019, from 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m. and Tuesday April 16, 2019, from 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, (Conference Room 800), 200 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20201. Members of the public may also attend the meeting via webcast. Instructions for attending this virtual meeting will be posted prior to the meeting at: <https://www.hhs.gov/ash/advisory-committees/tickbornedisease/meetings/index.html>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. James Berger, Designated Federal Officer for the ACBTSA, Senior Advisor for Blood and Tissue Policy, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Department of Health and Human Services, Mary E. Switzer Building, 330 C Street SW, Suite L100, Washington, DC 20024. Phone: (202) 795–7697; Fax: (202) 691–2102; Email: [ACBTSA@hhs.gov](mailto:ACBTSA@hhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In-person attendance at the meetings is limited by security restrictions and the space available; therefore preregistration for public members is required and can be accomplished by registering at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/50th-meeting-of-the-hhs-advisory-committee-on-blood-tissue-safety-availability-tickets-55285257694> by Monday, April 8, 2019. Members of the public may also attend the meeting via webcast. Instructions for attending this virtual meeting will be posted prior to the meeting at: <https://www.hhs.gov/ash/advisory-committees/tickbornedisease/meetings/index.html>. Non-U.S. citizens who plan to attend in person are required to provide additional information and must notify the Working Group support staff via email at [tickbornedisease@hhs.gov](mailto:tickbornedisease@hhs.gov) before March 15, 2019. Members of the public who wish to attend the meetings should enter from Independence Avenue. Please allow extra time to get through security.

Dated: March 13, 2019.

**James J. Berger,**  
Senior Advisor for Blood and Tissue Policy.  
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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; International Research Training and Mentored Research Career Development Projects.

*Date:* April 2–3, 2019.

*Time:* 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Embassy Suites at the Chevy Chase Pavilion, 4300 Military Road NW, Washington, DC 20015.

*Contact Person:* Seetha Bhagavan, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5194, MSC 7846, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 237–9838, [bhagavas@csr.nih.gov](mailto:bhagavas@csr.nih.gov).

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.306, Comparative Medicine; 93.333, Clinical Research, 93.306, 93.333, 93.337, 93.393–93.396, 93.837–93.844, 93.846–93.878, 93.892, 93.893, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: March 20, 2019.

**Natasha M. Copeland,**

Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG–2019–0131]

#### Port Access Route Study: The Areas Offshore of Massachusetts and Rhode Island

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of study and public meetings; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In order to provide safe access routes for the movement of vessel traffic offshore of the Massachusetts and Rhode Island area of the United States for vessels proceeding to or from ports or places of the United States and transiting within the United States Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ), the Coast Guard is conducting a Massachusetts and Rhode Island Port Access Route Study (MARIPARS) to evaluate the need for establishing vessel routing measures. The information gathered during this MARIPARS may result in the establishment of one or more vessel routing measures. The goal of the MARIPARS is to enhance navigational safety by examining existing shipping routes and waterway uses. The recommendations of the study may lead to future rulemaking action or appropriate international agreements.

**DATES:** Comments and related material must be received by the Coast Guard on or before May 28, 2019. Two public meetings will be held to provide an opportunity for comments about the MARIPARS on Tuesday, April 23, 2019, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on Thursday, April 25, 2019, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Written comments and related material may also be submitted to Coast Guard personnel at the meetings. All comments and related material submitted after the meetings must be received by the Coast Guard on or before May 28, 2019. Commenters should be aware that the electronic Federal Docket Management System will not accept comments after midnight Eastern Daylight Time on the last day of the comment period.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by docket number USCG–2019–0131 using the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>. See the “Public Participation and Request for Comments” portion of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for further instructions on submitting comments.

The public meeting on Tuesday, April 23, 2019, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., will be

held at Corless Auditorium (Watkins Laboratory Building), University of Rhode Island, Graduate School of Oceanography at 215 South Ferry Road, Narragansett, RI 02882-1197.

The public meeting on Thursday, April 25, 2019, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., will be held at Flanagan Hall, Massachusetts Maritime Academy at 101 Academy Drive, Buzzards Bay, MA 02532.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions about this notice or study call or email the Project Officer, Mr. Edward G. LeBlanc, Chief of Coast Guard Sector Southeastern New England Waterways Management Division, telephone (401) 435-2351; email [Edward.G.LeBlanc@uscg.mil](mailto:Edward.G.LeBlanc@uscg.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Public Participation and Request for Comments**

We encourage you to participate in this study by submitting comments and related materials to the online public docket or orally at the public meetings. All comments received will be posted, without change, to <http://www.regulations.gov> and will include any personal information you have provided.

**A. Submitting Comments:** If you submit comments to the online public docket, please include the docket number for this rulemaking (USCG-2019-0131), indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation. We accept anonymous comments.

To submit your comment online, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, and insert "USCG-2019-0131" in the "search box." Click "Search." Then click "Comment Now." We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

**B. Public Meetings:** We plan to hold two public meetings to receive oral comments on this notice. If you bring written comments to the public meeting, you may submit them to Mr. Edward G. LeBlanc. These comments will be added to our online public docket. We recommend that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a telephone number in the body of your document so that we can contact you if we have questions regarding your submission. Attendance at the public meeting is not required. We will provide a written summary of the oral comments

received and will place that summary in the docket.

The first public meeting on Tuesday, April 23, 2019, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., will be held at Corless Auditorium (Watkins Laboratory Building), University of Rhode Island, Graduate School of Oceanography, 215 South Ferry Road, Narragansett, RI 02882-1197.

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For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the public meeting, contact Mr. Edward Leblanc at the telephone number or email address indicated under the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice.

**C. Viewing the comments and documents:** To view the comments and documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, click on the "read comments" box, which will then become highlighted in blue. In the "Keyword" box insert "USCG-2019-0131" and click "Search." Click the "Open Docket Folder" in the "Actions" column.

**D. Privacy Act:** Anyone can search the electronic form of comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review a Privacy Act, system of records notice regarding our public dockets in the January 17, 2008, issue of the **Federal Register** (73 FR 3316) <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2008/01/17/E8-785/privacy-act-of-1974-system-of-records>.

**II. Purpose and Background**

**A. Requirement for Port Access Route Studies:** Under 46 U.S.C. 70003 the Commandant of the Coast Guard may designate necessary fairways and traffic separation schemes (TSSs) to provide safe access routes for vessels proceeding to and from U.S. ports. The designation of fairways and TSSs recognizes the paramount right of navigation over all other uses in the designated areas.

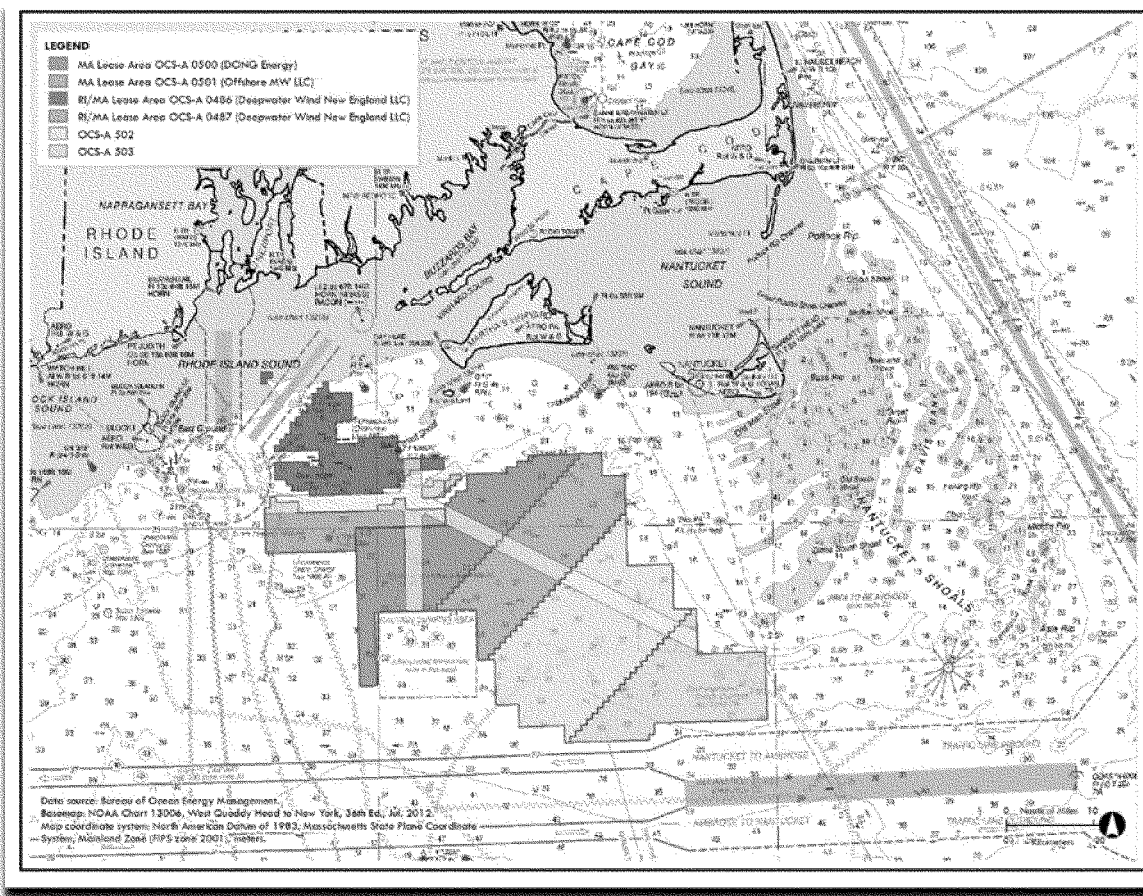
Before establishing or adjusting fairways or TSSs, 46 U.S.C. 70003 requires the Coast Guard to conduct a

port access route study (PARS), *i.e.* a study of potential traffic density and the need for safe access routes for vessels. Through the study process, we must coordinate with Federal, State, and foreign state agencies (as appropriate) and consider the views of maritime community representatives, environmental groups, and other interested stakeholders. A primary purpose of this coordination is, to the extent practicable, to reconcile the need for safe access routes with other reasonable waterway uses such as construction and operation of renewable energy facilities and other uses of the Atlantic Ocean in the study area.

**B. Previous port access route studies:** In 2011, the Coast Guard conducted a PARS which focused on the entire Atlantic Coast from Maine to Florida to analyze all vessel traffic proceeding to and from all Atlantic Coast ports and transiting through the United States Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ). The Atlantic Coast Port Access Route Study Final Report is available at the Coast Guard Navigation Center website [https://navcen.uscg.gov/pdf/PARS/ACPARS\\_Final\\_Report\\_08Jul2015\\_Combined\\_Appendix\\_Enclosures\\_Final\\_After\\_LMI\\_Review.pdf](https://navcen.uscg.gov/pdf/PARS/ACPARS_Final_Report_08Jul2015_Combined_Appendix_Enclosures_Final_After_LMI_Review.pdf).

**C. Necessity for a new port access route study:** The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) has leased seven adjacent areas of the outer continental shelf (OCS) south of Martha's Vineyard and east of Rhode Island that together constitute the MA/RI Wind Energy Area (WEA). Potentially seven distinct offshore renewable energy installations ("wind farms") could be constructed, each with its own number, size, type of wind turbines, and distinct turbine layout. The topic of safe navigation routes to facilitate vessel transit through the MA/RI WEA has been discussed at various forums throughout southeastern New England. The forums have included participation by the Coast Guard, other federal, state, and local agencies, fishing industry representatives, and a myriad of stakeholders. Various different transit plans have been proposed through these different forums.

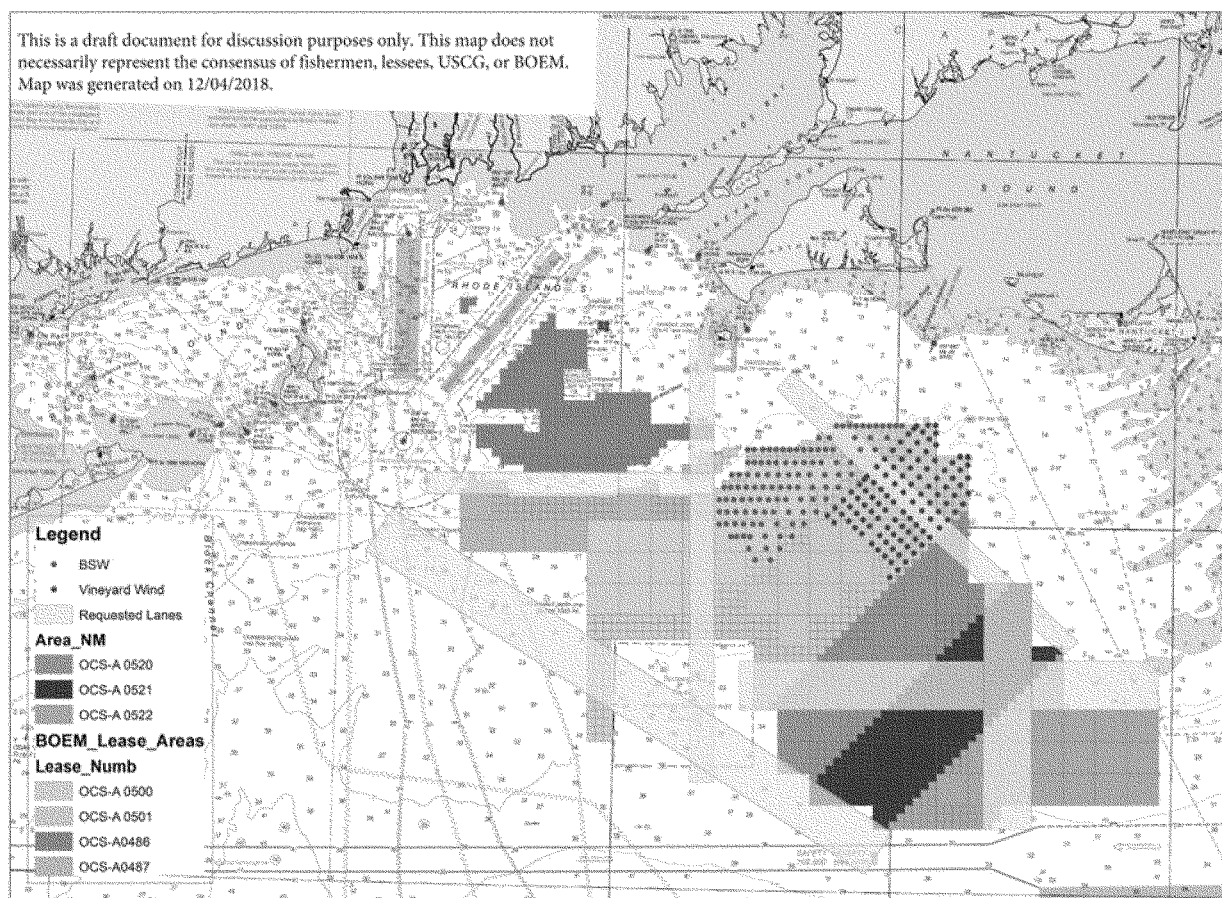
In September 2018, the Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management Fisheries Working Group offered a vessel transit layout as depicted at <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/fisheries-working-group-on-offshore-wind-energy> and below:



A colored illustration is available in the docket.

In December 2018, the Responsible Offshore Development Alliance (RODA), <https://www.rodafisheries.org/>, offered

an alternative layout for consideration by stakeholders:



A colored illustration is available in the docket.

Though neither of these alternatives achieved consensus of all stakeholders, they serve as a basis for further discussion of the issue and are provided here for that purpose. Comments on these alternative proposals are welcome, but comments need not be limited to them.

### III. This PARS: Timeline, Study Area, and Process

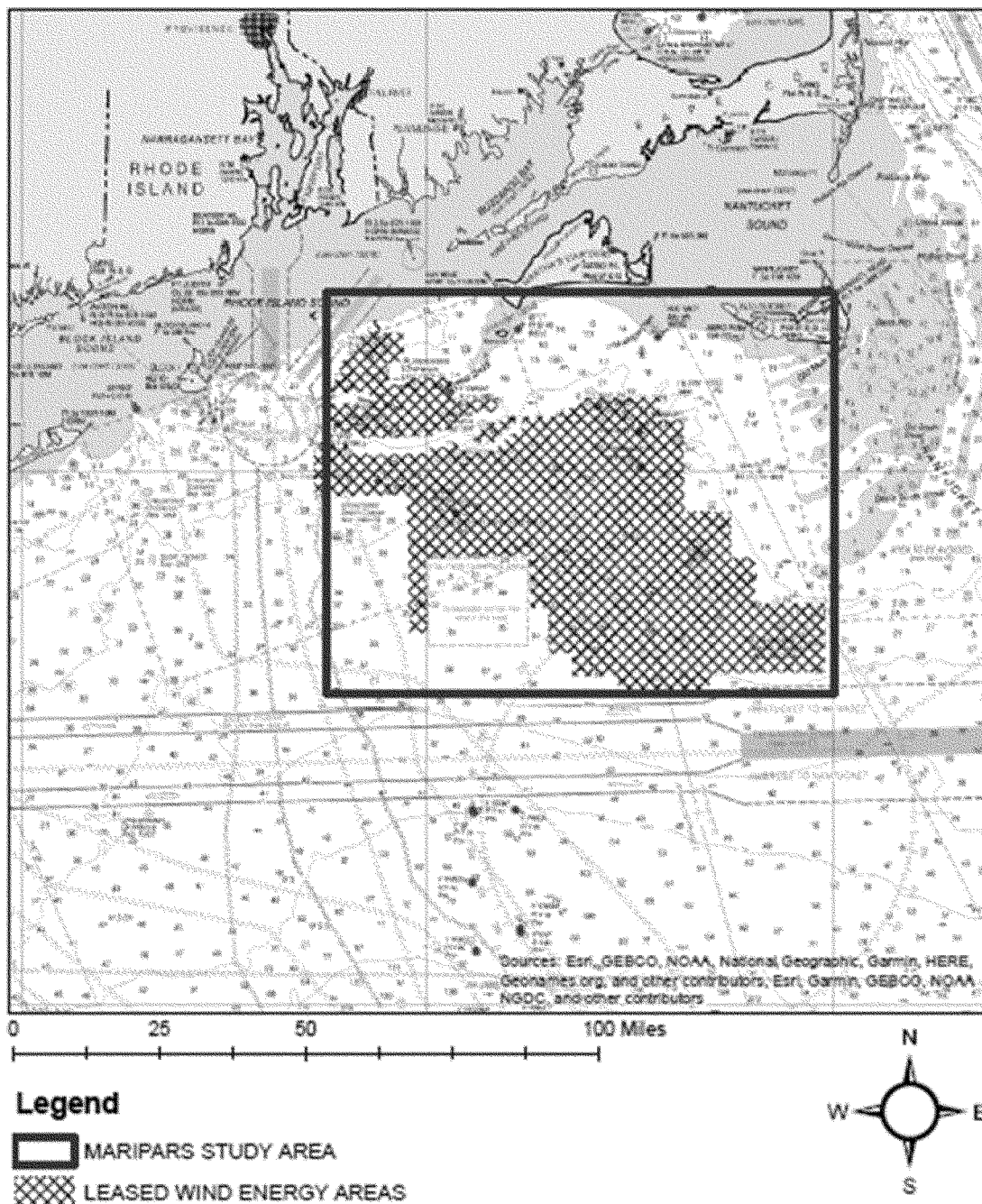
The First Coast Guard District Waterways Management Division and Coast Guard Sector Southeastern New England Waterways Management Division will conduct this PARS. The study will begin upon publication of this notice and should take approximately six months to complete.

The study area is described as an area bounded by a line connecting the following geographic positions:

- 41°20' N, 070°00' W;
- 40°35' N, 070°00' W;
- 40°35' N, 071°15' W;
- 41°20' N, 071°15' W.

Below is an illustration showing the study area.

# The Areas Offshore of MA and RI Port Access Route Study Area USCG-2019-0131



A color illustration is available in the docket.

The Coast Guard will use the PARS process described in Appendix D to Commandant Instruction 16003.2A,

Marine Planning to Operate and Maintain the National Marine Transportation System (MTS) and

Implement National Policy, which is available in the docket or see <https://media.defense.gov/2017/Mar/15/>

2001716995/-1/-1/0/CI\_16003\_2A.PDF, as a guide.

#### IV. Possible Scope of the Recommendations

We are attempting to determine what, if any, navigational safety concerns exist with vessel transits in the study area. We expect that information gathered during the study will help us identify anticipated impacts to navigation that may be experienced by mariners intending to transit in, around and through the study area which includes the MA/RI Wind Energy Area (MA/RI WEA) which is an area of wind farm leases south of Martha's Vineyard. All leases are currently being studied for development including the construction of wind energy generating turbines affixed to the sea floor. These installations could impact routes used to access ports (e.g., transiting from Georges Bank through the MA/RI WEA to New Bedford; or from the vicinity of Montauk, NY/Point Judith, RI, to Georges Bank, etc.). Impacts could result from factors such as number, size, type, and layout of wind farm turbines and electric service platform(s), subsea cabling, increased vessel traffic, changing vessel traffic patterns, weather conditions, or navigational difficulty. Comments should include or reference data (both empirical and anecdotal) where available, published studies (academic, government, or industry), and other supporting documentation.

As part of this study, we may collect and analyze data and other information on vessel traffic characteristics and trends in an attempt to balance the needs of all waterway users.

This MARIPARS includes the following objectives:

1. Determine present vessel traffic types, patterns, and density;
2. Determine potential vessel traffic types, patterns, and density;
3. Determine if existing vessel routing measures are adequate;
4. Determine if existing vessel routing measures require modifications;

5. Determine the type of modifications;
6. Define and justify the needs for new vessel routing measures;
7. Determine the type of new vessel routing measures; and
8. Determine if the usage of the vessel routing measures must be mandatory for specific classes of vessels.

We will publish the results of the PARS in the **Federal Register**. It is possible the study may validate the status quo (no routing measures) and conclude that no changes are necessary. It is also possible the study may recommend one or more changes to enhance navigational safety and the efficiency of vessel traffic management. The recommendations may lead to future rulemakings or appropriate international agreements.

This notice is published under the authority of 46 U.S.C. 70004 and 5 U.S.C. 552(a).

Dated: March 21, 2019.

**G. D. Case,**

*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Acting Commander, First Coast Guard District.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

##### U.S. Customs and Border Protection

##### Accreditation and Approval of NMK Resources, Inc. (Kenner, LA) as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of NMK Resources, Inc. (Kenner, LA), as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that NMK Resources, Inc. (Kenner, LA), has been approved to gauge petroleum and

certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of July 20, 2017.

**DATES:** NMK Resources, Inc. (Kenner, LA) was approved and accredited as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of July 20, 2017. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for July 2020.

##### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Melanie Glass, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, tel. 202-344-1060.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, that NMK Resources, Inc. 2330 Helena Street, Kenner, LA 70065, has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13.

NMK Resources, Inc. (Kenner, LA) is approved for the following gauging procedures for petroleum and certain petroleum products from the American Petroleum Institute (API):

API chapters	Title
3 .....	Tank Gauging.
7 .....	Temperature Determination.
8 .....	Sampling.
11 .....	Physical Properties.
12 .....	Calculations.
17 .....	Maritime Measurement.

NMK Resources, Inc. (Kenner, LA) is accredited for the following laboratory analysis procedures and methods for petroleum and certain petroleum products set forth by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Laboratory Methods (CBPL) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):

CBPL No.	ASTM	Title
27-01 .....	D287 .....	Standard Test Method for API Gravity of Crude Petroleum and Petroleum Products (Hydrometer Method).
27-04 .....	D95 .....	Standard Test Method for Water in Petroleum Products and Bituminous Materials by Distillation.
27-06 .....	D473 .....	Standard Test Method for Sediment in Crude Oils and Fuel Oils by the Extraction Method.
27-11 .....	D445 .....	Standard Test Method for Kinematic Viscosity of Transparent and Opaque Liquids.
27-13 .....	D4294 .....	Standard Test Method for Sulfur in Petroleum and Petroleum Products by Energy-Dispersive X-ray Fluorescence Spectrometry.
27-48 .....	D4052 .....	Standard Test Method for Density and Relative Density of Liquids by Digital Density Meter.
27-50 .....	D93 .....	Standard Test Methods for Flash-Point by Pensky-Martens Closed Cup Tester.

Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and

receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border

Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific test or