

authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirements of the coastwise trade laws to allow the carriage of no more than twelve passengers for hire on vessels, which are three years old or more. 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 August 31, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket Number MARAD-2020-0100 by any one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Search MARAD-2020-0100 and follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail or Hand Delivery:* Docket Management Facility is in the West Building, Ground Floor of the U.S. Department of Transportation. The Docket Management Facility location address is: U.S. Department of Transportation, MARAD-2020-0100, 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.

**Note:** If you mail or hand-deliver your comments, 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.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the agency name and specific docket number. All comments received will be posted without change to the docket at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on submitting comments, see the section entitled Public Participation.

**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 BLUE MOON is:

- Intended Commercial Use of Vessel:* “In a charter operation”
- Geographic Region Including Base of Operations:* “Florida” (Base of Operations: Key Largo, FL)
- Vessel Length and Type:* 48.3’ sailing catamaran

The complete application is available for review identified in the DOT docket as MARAD-2020-0100 at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

[www.regulations.gov](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 vessel name, 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.

### Public Participation

#### *How do I submit comments?*

Please submit your comments, including the attachments, following the instructions provided under the above heading entitled **ADDRESSES**. Be advised that it may take a few hours or even days for your comment to be reflected on the docket. In addition, your comments must be written in English. We encourage you to provide concise comments and you may attach additional documents as necessary. There is no limit on the length of the attachments.

#### *Where do I go to read public comments, and find supporting information?*

Go to the docket online at <http://www.regulations.gov>, keyword search MARAD-2020-0100 or visit the Docket Management Facility (see **ADDRESSES** for hours of operation). We recommend that you periodically check the Docket for new submissions and supporting material.

#### *Will my comments be made available to the public?*

Yes. Be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, will be made publicly available.

#### *May I submit comments confidentially?*

If you wish to submit comments under a claim of confidentiality, you should submit three copies of your complete submission, including the information you claim to be confidential business information, to the Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, Office of Legislation and Regulations, MAR-225, W24-220, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590. Include a cover letter setting forth with specificity the basis for any such claim and, if possible, a summary of your submission that can be made available to the public.

### Privacy Act

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), as described in the system of records notice, DOT/ALL-14 FDMS, accessible through [www.dot.gov/privacy](http://www.dot.gov/privacy). To facilitate comment tracking and response, we encourage commenters to provide their name, or the name of their organization; however, submission of names is completely optional. Whether or not commenters identify themselves, all timely comments will be fully considered. If you wish to provide comments containing proprietary or confidential information, please contact the agency for alternate submission instructions.

(Authority: 49 CFR 1.93(a), 46 U.S.C. 55103, 46 U.S.C. 12121)

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Dated: July 28, 2020.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

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

*Secretary, Maritime Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA-2020-0056]

#### Pipeline Safety: Gas and Liquid Advisory Committee Member Nominations

**AGENCY:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for nominations.

**SUMMARY:** PHMSA is requesting nominations for individuals to serve on the Gas Pipeline Advisory Committee (GPAC), also known as the Technical Pipeline Safety Standards Committee, and the Liquid Pipeline Advisory Committee (LPAC), also known as the Technical Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Safety Standards Committee. Each committee is composed of 15 members appointed by the Secretary of Transportation (the Secretary).

**DATES:** Nominations must be received by September 29, 2020. Nominations received after the above due date may be retained for evaluation for future vacancies after all other nominations received by the due date have been evaluated and considered.

**ADDRESSES:** Nominations should be sent to Tewabe Asebe by email at [tewabe.asebe@dot.gov](mailto:tewabe.asebe@dot.gov) or by regular mail at the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, PHP-30; E24-456, Washington, DC 20590.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tewabe Asebe by phone at 202-366-5523 or by email at [tewabe.asebe@dot.gov](mailto:tewabe.asebe@dot.gov). Interested parties can also access information about the GPAC and LPAC by visiting PHMSA's website at: <https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/standards-rulemaking/pipeline/pipeline-advisory-committees>.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

### **I. Advisory Committee Background and Duties**

The GPAC and LPAC are statutorily mandated advisory committees that provide recommendations to PHMSA and the Secretary regarding proposed standards for gas and liquid pipelines and facilities. The committees were mandated by 49 United States Code (U.S.C.) § 60115 and established pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2), to review PHMSA's regulatory initiatives and determine their technical feasibility, reasonableness, cost-effectiveness, and practicability. These committees prepare and submit reports to the Secretary regarding the technical feasibility, reasonableness, cost-effectiveness, and practicability of a proposed standard no later than 90 days after receiving the standard and its supporting analyses. The Secretary must publish each report, including any recommended actions and minority views. The Secretary is not bound by a committee's conclusions; however, if the Secretary rejects the conclusions, the Secretary must publish the reasons for the rejection.

### **II. Membership**

Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 60115, the Secretary is authorized to appoint 15 members to both GPAC and LPAC committees that include (i) five members from departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Federal government and the States; (ii) five members from the natural gas or hazardous liquid industry, selected in consultation with industry representatives; and (iii) five members from the public to each committee. Two of the government members of each committee must be State officials. Additionally, each committee must have at least three industry members who currently participate in the active

operation of natural gas or hazardous liquid pipelines or pipeline facilities, while at least one industry member must have a background, education, or experience in risk assessment and cost-benefit analysis. Each committee must have two public members who have a background, education, or experience in environmental protection or public safety, while at least one public member must have a background, education, or experience in risk assessment and cost-benefit analysis. At least one public member of each committee may not have any financial interest in the pipeline, petroleum, or natural gas industries. Finally, no public member of a committee may have a significant financial interest in the pipeline, petroleum, or gas industries.

### **III. Qualifications**

Committee members must either have experience with the safety regulations that apply to the transportation of natural gas or hazardous liquids or the operation of a natural gas or hazardous liquid pipeline facility, or they must be technically qualified by training, experience, or knowledge in at least one field of engineering that is applicable to the transportation of gas or hazardous liquids or the operation of a gas or hazardous liquid pipeline facility. Members must also meet the criteria listed under section I of this notice.

Nominees should represent a broad spectrum of people for whom the candidate can advocate. In addition, the committees would benefit from members who have experience working in a consensus-building environment. PHMSA is particularly interested in members from organizations associated with fire safety, pipeline engineering, risk analysis, and emergency response, as well as those from other similar public safety or environmental protection groups. The Secretary will consult with the national organizations that represent State commissioners or utility regulators before selecting any State official. The Secretary will also consult with the national organizations that represent the owners and operators of pipeline facilities before selecting industry members. Nominations are open to all individuals without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, mental or physical disability, or marital status. Evaluations will be based on the materials submitted.

### **III. Terms of Service**

- Each member serves for a 3-year term unless they resign, become unable

to serve, cease to be qualified to serve, or are removed by the Secretary.

- Members may be reappointed to provide the continuity necessary for the review of technical proposals.
  - All members serve at their own expense and receive no salary from the Federal government, although the government may provide travel reimbursement and per diem.
  - GPAC and LPAC generally meet in person in Washington, DC, or the surrounding metropolitan area.
  - PHMSA will ask potential public candidates to provide detailed information concerning their employment, financial holdings, and research grants and/or contracts so that PHMSA can evaluate any potential conflicts of interest.

### **IV. Nomination Procedures**

- Any interested person may nominate one or more qualified individuals—including themselves—for advisory committee membership.
  - Nominations must include a current and complete résumé that lists a business and/or home address, a telephone number, an email address, an education section, professional or business experience, a present occupation, and membership details for any other advisory committees (past or present) for each nominee.
    - Each nominee must meet the training, education, or experience requirements listed under section II.
    - Each nomination must include one of the following:
      - A short biography of the nominee, including professional and academic credentials for inclusion in membership package.
      - A one-page statement describing how the candidate will benefit the advisory committee, considering current membership and the candidate's unique perspective that will advance the conversation. This statement must also identify a primary and secondary interest to which the candidate's expertise best aligns. Finally, candidates should state their previous experience on Federal advisory committees and/or rulemaking committees (if any), their level of knowledge in their above stakeholder groups, and the size of their constituency they represent or are able to reach.
        - In lieu of a one-page statement, a professional organization's letter of recommendation.
    - Nominations must also specify the advisory committee for which the nominee is recommended (GPAC or LPAC).
    - Nominations must also acknowledge that the nominee is aware

of the nomination unless the individual is self-nominated.

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**Alan K. Mayberry,**

*Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket No. PHMSA-2018-0025 (Notice No. 2020-05)]

#### Hazardous Materials: Information Collection Activities

**AGENCY:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, PHMSA invites comments on an Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number pertaining to hazardous materials transportation. This notice follows the publication of a PHMSA final rule titled “Hazardous Materials: Liquefied Natural Gas by Rail” [HM-264, 85 FR 44994] authorizing the transportation of liquefied natural gas by rail. PHMSA intends to request a renewal with change of currently approved OMB control number 2137-0612, “Hazardous Materials Security Plans.”

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before September 29, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by the Docket Number PHMSA-2018-0025 (Notice No. 2020-05) by any of the following methods:

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

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

- *Mail:* Docket Management System; U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Routing Symbol M-30, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590.

- *Hand Delivery:* To the Docket Management System; Room W12-140 on the ground floor of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**Instructions:** All submissions must include the agency name and Docket Number (PHMSA-2018-0025) for this notice at the beginning of the comment. To avoid duplication, please use only one of these four methods. All comments received will be posted without change to the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) and will include any personal information you provide.

Requests for a copy of an information collection should be directed to Steven Andrews or Shelby Geller, Standards and Rulemaking Division, (202) 366-8553, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

**Docket:** For access to the dockets to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> or DOT's Docket Operations Office (see **ADDRESSES**).

**Privacy Act:** In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at [www.dot.gov/privacy](http://www.dot.gov/privacy).

**Confidential Business Info:** Confidential Business Information (CBI) is commercial or financial information that is both customarily and actually treated as private by its owner. Under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552), CBI is exempt from public disclosure. If your comments responsive to this notice contain commercial or financial information that is customarily treated as private, that you actually treat as private, and that is relevant or responsive to this notice, it is important that you clearly designate the submitted comments as “CBI.” Please mark each page of your submission containing CBI as “PROPIN.” PHMSA will treat such marked submissions as confidential under the FOIA, and they will not be placed in the public docket of this notice. Submissions containing CBI should be sent to Steven Andrews or Shelby Geller, Standards and Rulemaking Division and addressed to the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001. Any commentary that PHMSA receives which is not specifically designated as CBI will be placed in the public docket for this notice.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Steven Andrews or Shelby Geller, Standards and Rulemaking Division, (202) 366-8553, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On July 24, 2020, PHMSA, in coordination with the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), published a final rule<sup>1</sup> titled “Hazardous Materials: Liquefied Natural Gas by Rail” [HM-264, 85 FR 44994], to allow for the bulk transport of “Methane, refrigerated liquid,” commonly known as liquefied natural gas (LNG), in rail tank cars. In this final rule, PHMSA amended the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR; 49 CFR parts 171-180) to require any rail carrier transporting a tank car quantity of UN1972 (Methane, refrigerated liquid (cryogenic liquid) or Natural gas, refrigerated liquid (cryogenic liquid)) to comply with the additional safety and security planning requirements for transportation by rail. PHMSA currently accounts for the burden associated with safety and security planning requirements in Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Control Number 2137-0612, “Hazardous Materials Security Plans.”

OMB regulations require PHMSA to provide interested members of the public and affected agencies an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping requests. 5 CFR 1320.8(d). Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 96-511), no person is required to respond to an information collection unless it has been approved by OMB and displays a valid OMB control number. As the HM-264 final rule contains revisions that were not proposed in the notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM)<sup>2</sup> [October 24, 2019; 84 FR 56964], PHMSA is publishing this 60-day notice to provide an opportunity for public comment on the estimated increase in burden. The estimated increase in burden hours is reflected in “Section VI.G. Paperwork Reduction Act,” of the preamble to the final rule, with a minor adjustment due to a rounding error. PHMSA will subsequently publish a 30-day notice in response to any comments received to this notice, along with a submission to OMB reflecting this revised annual burden.

<sup>1</sup> See <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2020-07-24/pdf/2020-13604.pdf>.

<sup>2</sup> See <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-10-24/pdf/2019-22949.pdf>.