service contract may not begin before the day it is effective and filed with the Commission.

On April 27, 2020, the Federal Maritime Commission published an Order to temporarily allow parties to file service contracts up to 30 days after they take effect. The Order made the relief effective immediately and lasting through December 31, 2020. The Commission noted in its Order that it might consider extending this exemption, as necessary, to address the continuing effects of the COVID–19 pandemic. In the interest of providing certainty and stability to supply chain stakeholders, the Commission believes it is necessary to extend this exemption until June 1, 2021.

The temporary exemption was designed to help relieve coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID–19) impacts to the supply chain. COVID–19 has placed increased stresses and burdens on carriers and their customers. As noted in the Order of April 27, 2020, an increasing number of businesses have been working remotely as a result of social distancing guidance and stay-at-home orders. The Commission understands that for some entities, this situation, combined with other COVID–19-related disruptions to commercial operations, has made complying with service contract filing requirements difficult. This situation continues to exist and may continue to affect business operations.

The benefits of relief from service contract filing requirements were identified by the Fact Finding 29 Supply Chain Innovation Teams working under the direction of the Fact Finding Officer. A unifying theme in the initial meetings of the Supply Chain Innovation Teams was that service contract negotiations are being disrupted for a variety of COVID–19-related causes. Teleworking arrangements complicate negotiations between carriers and shippers and that will continue to be true into the 2021 contract negotiation season.

Additionally, some businesses continue to be technologically challenged to file service contracts from locations other than their offices. Individual shippers identified the importance for supply chain efficiency of relief from service contract filing and regulatory certainty upon which to make operational changes.

Based on Fact Finding 29’s findings and recommendations, stakeholder interest, and in light of ongoing challenges presented by the pandemic and necessary changes to business operations, the Commission continues to believe that flexibility in service contract filing requirements provided by extension of the exemption will allow industry to continue adapting to market conditions, while still providing the Commission information necessary to assure competition and integrity for America’s ocean supply chain.

This extension is also temporary and will remain in effect only until June 1, 2021.

Exemptions from the requirements of Part 530 are governed by 46 CFR 530.13(b). Under this authority, the Commission may exempt any specified activity of persons subject to the Shipping Act from the requirements of Part 530 if the Commission finds that the exemption will not result in substantial reduction in competition or be detrimental to commerce. § 530.13(b) (incorporating 46 U.S.C. 40103(a) and 46 CFR 502.10, 502.92).


Based on experience with the temporary exemption currently in place, the Commission concludes that extending the temporary exemption from certain requirements for original service contracts in §§530.3, 530.8, and § 530.14 until June 1, 2021, subject to certain conditions, will continue to reduce the filing burdens on the industry and will not result in a substantial reduction in competition or be detrimental to commerce. This exemption extension remains subject to the condition that original service contracts continue to be filed with the Commission. As is the case for service contract amendments, however, that filing may now be delayed up to 30 days after the effective date. The Commission has determined that these conditions will minimize any potential negative effects on competition or commerce.

Although the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure normally require notice and an opportunity for a hearing to be afforded to interested parties (including publication in the Federal Register of a notice of the proposed exemption and request for comments), see 46 CFR 502.92(c)–(d); 530.13(b) (cross-referencing § 502.92), the Commission may waive these requirements for regulatory exemptions to prevent undue hardship, manifest injustice, or if the expeditious conduct of business so requires. See 46 CFR 502.10; 530.13(b) (cross-referencing § 502.10). Given the immediate need for regulatory relief in light of the COVID–19 pandemic and its effects on commercial operations, the Commission has determined that waiving the notice and hearing requirements in § 502.92 is necessary to prevent undue hardship and is required for the expeditious conduct of Commission business.

Therefore it is ordered, that an extension of the temporary exemption from the requirements of 46 CFR 530.3(i); 530.8(a)(1), (b)(6)(i); and 530.14(a) for original service contracts is GRANTED, provided that:

1. Authorized persons must file with the Commission, in the manner set forth in appendix A of 46 CFR part 530, a true and complete copy of every original service contract no later than thirty (30) days after any cargo moves pursuant to that service contract;

2. Every original service contract filed with the Commission must include the effective date, which may be no more than thirty (30) calendar days prior to the filing date with the Commission; and

3. Performance under an original service contract may not begin until the day it is effective, provided that the service contract is filed with the Commission no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the effective date.

It is further ordered, that this temporary exemption will remain in effect until June 1, 2021.

By the Commission.

Rachel Dickon,
Secretary.

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Comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors, Ann E. Misback, Secretary of the Board, 20th Street and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20551–0001, not later than November 6, 2020.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas (Robert L. Triplett III, Senior Vice President) 2200 North Pearl Street, Dallas, Texas 75201–2272:
1. Louise Bancshares, Inc., Louise, Texas; to acquire Dilley State Bank, Dilley, Texas.

Yao-Chin Chao, Assistant Secretary of the Board.
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A. Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (Sebastian Astra, Director, Applications) 101 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94105–1579:

1. LendingClub Corporation, San Francisco, California; to become a bank holding company by acquiring voting shares of Radius Bancorp, Inc., and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Radius Bank, both of Boston, Massachusetts, upon Radius Bank’s conversion from a federal savings bank to a national bank.

In connection with this application, LendingClub Corporation, directly and through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, LendingClub Warehouse I, LLC, LendingClub Warehouse II, LLC, and Consumer Loan Underlying Bond Depositor, LLC, all of San Francisco, California, to engage de novo in extending credit and servicing loans and activities related to extending credit pursuant to §225.28(b)(1) and (b)(2) of Regulation Y, respectively. In addition, LendingClub Corporation to engage de novo in data processing activities pursuant to §225.28(b)(14) of Regulation Y.

Yao-Chin Chao, Assistant Secretary of the Board.
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Information Collection; Buy American, Trade Agreements, and Duty-Free Entry

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations, DoD, GSA, and NASA invite the public to comment on a revision and renewal concerning Buy American, trade agreements, and duty-free entry. DoD, GSA, and NASA invite comments on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of Federal Government acquisitions, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the 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 information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. OMB has approved this information collection for use through November 30, 2020. DoD, GSA, and NASA propose that OMB extend its approval for use for three additional years beyond the current expiration date.

DATES: DoD, GSA, and NASA will consider all comments received by December 7, 2020.

ADDRESSES: DoD, GSA, and NASA invite interested persons to submit comments on this collection through http://www.regulations.gov and follow the instructions on the site. This website provides the ability to type short

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