

(b) Task Statement 21–4, STCW Convention and STCW Code Review; and

(c) Task Statement 21–2, Communication Between External Stakeholders and the Mariner Credentialing Program.

(3) During the afternoon session of the meeting, subcommittees will separately address and work on the following task statements, which are available for viewing at [https://homeport.uscg.mil/missions/federal-advisory-committees/national-merchant-marine-personnel-advisory-committee-\(nmerpac\)/task-statements](https://homeport.uscg.mil/missions/federal-advisory-committees/national-merchant-marine-personnel-advisory-committee-(nmerpac)/task-statements):

(a) Task Statement 21–5, Review of Merchant Mariner Rating and Officer Endorsement Job Task Analyses;

(b) Task Statement 21–4, STCW Convention and STCW Code Review; and

(c) Task Statement 22–2, Alternative Methods for Meeting STCW Training Requirements at the Operational Level.

(4) Report of subcommittees. At end of the day, the Chair or Co-Chairs of the subcommittees will report to the full Committee on what was accomplished. The full Committee will not take action on this date and the Chair or Co-Chairs of the subcommittees will present a full report to the Committee on Day 2 of the meeting.

(5) Adjournment of meeting.

#### Day 2

The agenda for the March 27, 2024 meeting is as follows:

(1) Introduction.

(2) Designated Federal Officer and U.S. Coast Guard Leadership remarks.

(3) Roll call of Committee members and determination of a quorum.

(4) Adoption of the agenda.

(5) Acceptance of Minutes from Committee Meeting 6 (December 12, 2023).

(6) Introduction of new task.

(7) Homeport demonstration.

(8) Office of Merchant Mariner Credentialing update presentation.

(9) Public comment period.

(10) National Maritime Center update presentation.

(11) Reports from the subcommittee Chair or Co-Chairs.

The Committee will review the information presented on the following Task Statements and deliberate on any recommendations presented by the subcommittees, recommendations may be approved and completed tasks may be closed. Official action on these topics may be taken:

(a) Task Statement 21–1, Review of IMO Model Courses Being Validated by the IMO HTW Subcommittee;

(b) Task Statement 21–2, Communication Between External

Stakeholders and the Mariner Credentialing Program, including amendment Task Statement 21–2A, Reviewing Assessments in NVICS for STCW;

(c) Task Statement 21–3, Military Education, Training, and Assessment for STCW and National Mariner Endorsements;

(d) Task Statement 21–4, STCW Convention and Code Review;

(e) Task Statement 21–5, Review of Merchant Mariner Rating and Officer Endorsement Job Task Analyses;

(f) Task Statement 21–6, Sea Service for Merchant Mariner Credential Endorsements;

(g) Task Statement 21–9, Sexual Harassment and Sexual Assault-Prevention and Culture Change in the Merchant Marine;

(h) Task Statement 22–1, Propulsion Power Limits;

(i) Task Statement 22–2, Alternative Methods for Meeting STCW Training Requirements at the Operational Level;

(j) Task Statement 23–2, Critical Skills for Navigation Using Nautical Charts and Training and Assessments of Skills Using Electronic Navigational Charts; and

(k) Task Statement 23–3, Critical Skills for Radar Navigation and Collision Avoidance and Training and Assessment of Skills Using Radar and Automatic Radar Plotting Aids (ARPA).

(12) Closing remarks.

(13) Adjournment of meeting.

A copy of all meeting documentation will be available at [https://homeport.uscg.mil/missions/federal-advisory-committees/national-merchant-marine-personnel-advisory-committee-\(nmerpac\)](https://homeport.uscg.mil/missions/federal-advisory-committees/national-merchant-marine-personnel-advisory-committee-(nmerpac)) by March 11, 2024. Alternatively, you may contact the individual noted in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section above.

Public comments or questions will be taken throughout the meetings as the Committee discusses the issues, and prior to deliberations and voting. There will also be a public comment period during the meeting on March 27, 2024, at approximately 12:30 p.m. (PDT). Public comments will be limited to 3 minutes per speaker and limited to one comment per person. Please note that the public comments period will end following the last call for comments. Please contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section to register as a speaker.

Dated: February 29, 2024.

**Jeffrey G. Lantz,**

*Director of Commercial Regulations and Standards.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG–2023–0824]

### Request for Information; Extension of Comment Period

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Extension of comment period for request for information.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard is extending the comment period of the Request for Information to collect opinions, ideas, recommendations, and concerns related to the Coast Guard's mandate to create planning criteria for vessel response plans (VRPs) distinct to the Western Alaska and Prince William Sound Captain of the Port (COTP) zones. The Coast Guard is tasked with developing planning criteria suitable for operating areas where response capability is currently inadequate.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted to the online docket via <https://www.regulations.gov> on or before May 3, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by docket number USCG–2023–0824 using the Federal Decision Making Portal at <https://www.regulations.gov>. See the “Public Participation and Request for Comments” portion of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for further instructions on submitting comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information about this document, call or email Lieutenant Commander Adriana Gaenzle, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 202–372–1226, email [Adriana.J.Gaenzle@uscg.mil](mailto:Adriana.J.Gaenzle@uscg.mil).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Public Participation and Comments

The U.S. Coast Guard views public participation as essential to understanding vessel oil spill response planning and capabilities in remote areas of Alaska. The Coast Guard will consider all information and material received during the comment period. If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this request for information, indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation.

*Methods for submitting comments.* We encourage you to submit comments through the Federal Decision-Making Portal at [www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov). To do so, go to [www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov), type USCG–2023–0824 in the search box, and click

“Search.” Next, look for this document in the Search Results column, and click on it. Then click on the Comment option. If your material cannot be submitted using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), contact the person in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document for alternate instructions.

**Viewing material in docket.** To view documents mentioned in this notice as being available in the docket, find the docket as described in the previous paragraph, and then select “Supporting & Related Material” in the Document Type column. Public comments will also be placed in our online docket and can be viewed by following instructions on the <https://www.regulations.gov> Frequently Asked Questions web page. We review all comments received, but we may choose not to post off-topic, inappropriate, or duplicate comments that we receive.

**Personal information.** We accept anonymous comments. Comments we post to <https://www.regulations.gov> will include any personal information you have provided. For more about privacy and submissions in response to this document, see DHS’s eRulemaking System of Records notice (85 FR 14226, March 11, 2020).

## Discussion

The Request for Information was published on December 4, 2023. 88 FR 84157. The original comment period will close on March 4, 2024. However, the Coast Guard has been notified that several stakeholders would like more time to prepare their comments for the Request for Information. The Coast Guard has decided that an extension of the public comment period would be appropriate to allow interested parties additional time to submit comments for Coast Guard’s consideration. Thus, Coast Guard is extending the comment period by 60 days, until May 3, 2024.

Dated: February 28, 2024.

**D.S. Tulis,**

*Director, Emergency Management, U.S. Coast Guard.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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DL9CSHQ500; OMB Control Number 1092–NEW]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Office of the Solicitor Internship/Externship Application Process

**AGENCY:** Office of the Solicitor, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we, the Office of the Solicitor (SOL) are proposing a new information collection in use without OMB approval.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before May 6, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Send your comments on this information collection request (ICR) by mail to Ariana Rigsby, 1849 C Street NW, MS 6551, Washington, DC 20240; or by email to [hr-sol@sol.doi.gov](mailto:hr-sol@sol.doi.gov). Please reference OMB Control Number 1092–NEW in the subject line of your comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request additional information about this ICR, contact Ariana Rigsby by email at [hr-sol@sol.doi.gov](mailto:hr-sol@sol.doi.gov), or by telephone at (202) 740–0269. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) and 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), all information collections require approval under the PRA. We may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

As part of our continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burdens, we invite the public and other Federal agencies to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

We are especially interested in public comment addressing the following:

(1) Whether or not the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether or not the information will have practical utility;

(2) The accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) How might the agency minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of response.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Abstract:** The following information is collected: applicant’s resume with two professional or academic references, a completed Request for Consideration form (to designate the locations/offices for which the applicant would like to be considered for an internship), a cover letter addressed to “To Whom it May Concern,” a copy of the applicant’s most recent law school transcript (official or unofficial), and a writing sample of no more than three (3) pages. The information is collected for the purpose of applying to SOL’s Legal Internship/Externship Program. The information is used to verify the applicant’s eligibility, interest in the program, and the location/office they wish to be considered for an internship.

**Title of Collection:** Office of the Solicitor, Legal Internship/Externship Program.

**OMB Control Number:** 1092–NEW.

**Form Number:** None.

**Type of Review:** New, in use without approval.

**Respondents/Affected Public:** Individuals (law school students).

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents:** 200.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:** 200.

**Estimated Completion Time per Response:** 2 hours.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:** 400 Hours.

**Respondent’s Obligation:** Voluntary.

**Frequency of Collection:** One time.

**Total Estimated Annual Nonhour Burden Cost:** None.