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## FEDERAL LABOR RELATIONS AUTHORITY

### 5 CFR Part 2429

#### Changes in Filing Address and Procedures

**AGENCY:** Federal Labor Relations Authority.

**ACTION:** Final rule; technical amendments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Labor Relations Authority (Authority) is amending sections of part 2429 of its Regulations. The amendments, described below, make technical changes to the regulations regarding the address to which filings must be sent and the number of copies to be filed.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* May 13, 2008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** William R. Tobey, Acting Executive Director, (202) 218-7999.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Labor Relations Authority (Authority) is making two technical changes to part 2429 of the Authority's Regulations, 5 CFR part 2429. First, the filing address located in § 2429.24(a) is changed to reflect the new name of the office with which filings must be made. Second, § 2429.25 is amended to require five legible copies to be provided with the filing of the original, rather than the current requirement of four legible copies.

Publication of this document constitutes final agency action on these changes under the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 553). Notice and public procedures are unnecessary because the Authority is making only non-substantive technical changes.

#### Waiver of Proposed Rulemaking

The Authority for good cause finds that prior notice and opportunity for comment on these changes are unnecessary pursuant to 5 U.S.C.

553(b)(3)(B) because the amendments to the affected sections are merely technical in nature and propose no substantive changes regarding which public comment could be solicited.

#### Waiver of 30-Day Delayed Effective Date Requirement

This Final Rule is made effective upon publication in the **Federal Register**. The Authority finds that good cause exists for the final rule to be exempt from the 30-day delayed effective date requirement of 5 U.S.C. 553(d) because a delay in implementation of the new filing requirements would be contrary to the public interest.

#### Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

Pursuant to section 605(b) of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 605(b), I have determined that this regulation, as amended, will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities, because this rule only applies to federal employees, federal agencies, and labor organizations representing federal employees.

#### Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995

This rule change will not result in the expenditure by state, local, and tribal governments, in the aggregate, or by the private sector, of \$100,000,000 or more in any one year, and it will not significantly or uniquely affect small governments. Therefore, no actions were deemed necessary under the provisions of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995.

#### Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996

This action is not a major rule as defined by section 804 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996. This rule will not result in an annual effect on the economy of \$100,000,000 or more; a major increase in costs or prices; or significant adverse effects on competition, employment, investment, productivity, innovation, or on the ability of United States-based companies to compete with foreign-based companies in domestic and export markets.

#### Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

The amended regulations contain no additional information collection or

recordkeeping requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

#### List of Subjects in 5 CFR Part 2429

Administrative practice and procedure, Government employees, Labor management relations.

■ For these reasons, the Authority amends 5 CFR part 2429 as follows:

#### PART 2429—MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. The authority cited for part 2429 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 7134; 2429.18 also issued under 28 U.S.C. 2112(a).

■ 2. Section 2429.24(a) is revised to read as follows:

#### § 2429.24 Place and method of filing; acknowledgement.

(a) All documents filed or required to be filed with the Authority pursuant to this subchapter shall be filed with the Chief, Case Intake and Publication, Office of Case Adjudication, Federal Labor Relations Authority, Docket Room, Suite 200, 1400 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20424-0001 (telephone: (202) 218-7740) between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday (except Federal holidays). Documents hand-delivered for filing must be presented in the Docket Room not later than 5 p.m. to be accepted for filing on that day.

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■ 3. Section 2429.25 is revised to read as follows:

#### § 2429.25 Number of copies and paper size.

Unless otherwise provided by the Authority or the General Counsel, or their designated representatives, as appropriate, or under this subchapter, and with the exception of any prescribed forms, any document or paper filed with the Authority, General Counsel, Administrative Law Judge, Regional Director, or Hearing Officer, as appropriate, under this subchapter, together with any enclosure filed therewith, shall be submitted on 8½ by 11 inch size paper, using normal margins and font sizes. The original and five (5) legible copies of each document or paper must be submitted. Where facsimile filing is permitted pursuant to § 2429.24(e), one (1) legible copy, capable of reproduction, shall be

sufficient. A clean copy capable of being used as an original for purposes such as further reproduction may be substituted for the original.

Dated: May 7, 2008.

**William R. Tobey,**

*Acting Executive Director, Federal Labor Relations Authority.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

#### 33 CFR Part 100

[Docket No. USCG-2008-0283]

#### Special Local Regulation: Harvard-Yale Regatta, New London, CT

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of enforcement of regulation.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard will enforce the regulation for Regattas and Marine Parades found at 33 CFR 100.101 for the annual Harvard-Yale Regatta, Thames River, New London, CT from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on June 14, 2008. This action is necessary to control the anticipated heavy recreational vessel traffic of both event participants and observers, and other waterways users within the immediate vicinity of the event, thus providing for the safety of life and property of the maritime community on the affected navigable waters. During the enforcement period, no person or vessel may enter, transit, or remain in the regulated area within the Thames River, as detailed in 33 CFR 100.101, unless participating in the event or unless authorized by the Coast Guard patrol commander.

**DATES:** The regulations in 33 CFR 100.101 will be effective from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on June 14, 2008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lieutenant D. Miller, Chief, Waterways Management Division, Coast Guard Sector Long Island Sound at (203) 468-4596.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Coast Guard will enforce the permanent special local regulation found in 33 CFR 100.101 concerning the Harvard-Yale Regatta, Thames River, New London, CT from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on June 14, 2008. Under the provisions of 33 CFR 100.101, a portion of the navigable waters of the Thames River will be closed during the effective period to all persons and vessel traffic, except for vessels participating in the event and local, state or Coast

Guard patrol craft. Further, 33 CFR 100.101 provides regulations for mooring, anchoring and transiting near the event race course. The Coast Guard may be assisted by other Federal, State, or local law enforcement agencies in enforcing this regulation.

This notice is issued under the authority of 33 CFR 100.101 and 5 U.S.C. 552(a). In addition to this notice in the **Federal Register**, public notification will be made via the First Coast Guard District Local Notice to Mariners and marine safety broadcasts.

Dated: April 30, 2008.

**D.A. Ronan,**

*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port Long Island Sound.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

#### 33 CFR Part 165

[Docket No. USCG-2008-0338]

RIN 1625-AA00

#### Safety Zone; Fireworks Displays, Anacostia River, Washington, DC

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Temporary final rule; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone upon specified waters of the Anacostia River. This action is necessary to provide for the safety of life on navigable waters during scheduled fireworks displays launched along the shoreline near the newly-constructed Washington Nationals Ballpark, in Washington, DC. This action will restrict vessel traffic in a portion of the Anacostia River.

**DATES:** This rule is effective from April 25, 2008 through September 19, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket are part of docket USCG-2008-0338 and are available online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). They are also available for inspection or copying at two locations: the Docket Management Facility (M-30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays, and the Commander, Coast Guard Sector Baltimore, 2401 Hawkins Point Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21226-1791,

between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions on this temporary rule, call Mr. Ronald L. Houck, Coast Guard Sector Baltimore, at (410) 576-2674 or (410) 576-2693. If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202-366-9826.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Regulatory Information

We did not publish a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) for this regulation. Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B) and (d)(3), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing an NPRM and for making this regulation effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. Publishing an NPRM and delaying its effective date would be contrary to public interest, since immediate action is needed to protect mariners on the Anacostia River against potential hazards associated with fireworks displays, such as the accidental discharge of fireworks and falling hot embers or other debris.

##### Request for Comments

Although we did not publish a notice of proposed rulemaking, we encourage you to participate in this rulemaking by submitting comments and related materials. If you do so, please include your name and address, identify the docket number for this rulemaking (USCG-2008-0338), indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and give the reason for each comment. Please submit all comments and related material in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying. If you would like to know they reached us, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and material received during the effective period. We may change this rule in view of them.

##### Background and Purpose

Fireworks displays are frequently held from locations on or near the navigable waters of the United States. The accidental discharge of fireworks and falling hot embers or other debris are a safety concern during such events. The Coast Guard has the authority to impose appropriate controls on marine events that may pose a threat to persons, vessels and facilities under its jurisdiction. The purpose of this rule is to promote maritime safety, and to protect mariners transiting the area from the potential hazards associated with a fireworks display. The rule is needed to