

- Determines the actions, alternatives, and impacts described in 40 CFR 1508.25;

- Identifies and eliminates from detailed study those issues that are not significant or that have been covered elsewhere;

- Allocates responsibility for preparing EIS components;

- Indicates any related environmental assessments or environmental impact statements that are not part of the EIS;

- Identifies other relevant environmental review and consultation requirements;

- Indicates the relationship between timing of the environmental review and other aspects of the application process; and,

- At its discretion, exercises options provided in 40 CFR 1501.7(b).

Once the scoping process is complete, the Coast Guard will prepare a draft EIS, and we will publish a **Federal Register** notice announcing its public availability. If you want to be mailed or emailed the draft EIS notice of availability, please contact the person named in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. We will provide the public with an opportunity to review and comment on the draft EIS. After the Coast Guard considers those comments, we will prepare the final EIS and similarly announce its availability and solicit public review and comment.

Dated: July 23, 2004.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety, Security, and Environmental Protection, U.S. Coast Guard.

H. Keith Lesnick,

Senior Transportation Specialist, Deepwater Ports Program Manager, U.S. Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG-2004-18655]

Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: A working group of the Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee (MERPAC) will meet to discuss Task Statement #36 "Recommendations on a Training and Assessment Program for Officer in Charge of an Engineering Watch Coming up Through the Hawsepipe." MERPAC

advises the Secretary of Homeland Security on matters relating to the training, qualifications, licensing, certification, and fitness of seamen serving in the U.S. merchant marine. This meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The MERPAC working group will meet on Tuesday, August 10, 2004, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. (local), and Wednesday, August 11, 2004, from 8:30 a.m. to noon (local). This meeting may adjourn early if all business is finished. Requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before August 4, 2004. Written material and requests to have a copy of your material distributed to each member of the working group should reach the Coast Guard on or before August 4, 2004.

ADDRESSES: The working group of MERPAC will meet at the RTM Star Center, 2 West Dixie Highway, Dania Beach, FL 33004, Tel. (954) 921-7254. Send written material and requests to make oral presentations to Mr. Mark Gould, Commandant (G-MSO-1), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. This notice is and related documents are available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov> under Docket Number USCG-2004-18655.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions on this notice, contact Mr. Mark C. Gould, Assistant to the Executive Director, telephone (202) 267-6890, fax (202) 267-4570, or e-mail mgould@comdt.uscg.mil or Mr. Gerald Miente, Telephone (202) 267-0214 or e-mail gmiente@comdt.uscg.mil. Further directions regarding the location of the RTM Star Center may be found at: http://www.star-center.com/STAR_Center/Dania%20Home.htm.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2 (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770, as amended).

Agenda of August 10-11, 2004

Meeting: The working group will meet to discuss Task Statement #36 "Recommendations on a Training Program for Officers in Charge of an Engineering Watch Coming up Through the Hawsepipe." The working group will develop a training program containing the minimum requirements for a U.S. license as Third Assistant Engineer, and STCW Certificate as Officer in Charge of an Engineering Watch on sea-going vessels under the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW), as amended (available for purchase from

the International Maritime Organization, 4 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7SR, England). At the end of the meeting, the working group will re-cap its discussions and prepare their program for the full committee to consider at its next meeting.

Procedural

This meeting is open to the public. Please note that the meeting may adjourn early if all business is finished. At the Chair's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meeting. If you would like to make an oral presentation at the meeting, please notify Mr. Gould or Mr. Miente no later than August 4, 2004. Written material for distribution at the meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than August 4, 2004. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee or working group in advance of the meeting, please submit 25 copies to either Mr. Gould or Mr. Miente no later than August 4, 2004.

Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact Mr. Gould or Mr. Miente at the numbers listed in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** as soon as possible.

Dated: July 22, 2004.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4903-N-56]

Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; Annual Lead-Based Paint Activity Report

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

Public housing agencies (PHAs) and tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) are required to maintain

records on tenant notification, testing and abatement activities. These agencies are also required to provide tenants and purchasers a copy of all positive lead-based paint test results. HUD needs the information to ensure statutory and regulatory compliance with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (LBPPPA). HUD reports the information to Congress as required by statute.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* August 30, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB approval Number (2577-0090) and should be sent to: HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; fax: (202) 395-6974.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, AYO, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410; e-mail Wayne_Eddins@HUD.gov; telephone (202) 708-2374. This is not a

toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins and at HUD's Web site at <http://www5.hud.gov:63001/po/i/icbts/collectionsearch.cfm>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This Notice informs the public that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has submitted to OMB, for emergency processing, a survey instrument to obtain information from faith based and community organizations on their likelihood and success at applying for various funding programs. This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the

burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Annual Lead-Based Paint Activity Report.

OMB Approval Number: 2577-0090.

Form Numbers: HUD-52850.

Description of the Need for the Information and Its Proposed Use: Public housing agencies (PHAs) and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) are required to maintain records on tenant notification, testing and abatement activities. These agencies are also required to provide tenants and purchasers a copy of all positive lead-based paint test results. HUD needs the information to ensure statutory and regulatory compliance with the Lead Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (LBPPPA). HUD reports the information to Congress as required by statute.

Frequency of Submission: Annually.

	Number of re- spondents	×	Annual re- sponses	×	Hours per re- sponse	=	Burden hours
Reporting Burden	3,135	1	2	6,270

Total Estimated Burden Hours: 6,270.
Status: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Authority: Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 35, as amended.

Dated: July 23, 2004.

Wayne Eddins,

*Departmental Reports Management Officer,
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4903-N-57]

Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; Application for Hospital Project Mortgage Insurance

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork

Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

This is a request for renewal of approval to collect information necessary to determine the viability of a hospital applicant's proposal for mortgage insurance: basic eligibility criteria; underwriting standards; feasibility study; and adequacy of state and/or local certifications, approvals, or waivers.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* August 30, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB approval Number (2502-0518) and should be sent to: HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; fax: (202) 395-6974.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, AYO, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410; e-mail Wayne_Eddins@HUD.gov; telephone (202) 708-2374. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be

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