February 4, 2010, the President issued a major disaster declaration under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq. (the "Stafford Act"), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of Arkansas resulting from severe storms and flooding during the period of December 23, 2009, to January 2, 2010, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.* (the "Stafford Act"). Therefore, I declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of Arkansas.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide Public Assistance in the designated areas and Hazard Mitigation throughout the State. Direct Federal assistance is authorized. Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance is supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration for the approved assistance to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Administrator, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Kevin L. Hannes, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this major disaster.

The following areas of the State of Arkansas have been designated as adversely affected by this major disaster:

Bradley, Calhoun, Clark, Clay, Cleveland, Craighead, Dallas, Drew, Grant, Greene, Hempstead, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Lincoln, Lonoke, Miller, Monroe, Nevada, Ouachita, Poinsett, Prairie, White, and Woodruff Counties for Public Assistance. Direct Federal assistance is authorized. All counties within the State of Arkansas are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance Grant; 97.048, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households In Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas; 97.049, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance-Disaster Housing Operations for Individuals and Households; 97.050, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance to Individuals and Households-Other Needs; 97.036,

Disaster Grants—Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters); 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant.

#### W. Craig Fugate,

Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

# Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA-1871-DR; Docket ID FEMA-2010-0002]

#### North Carolina; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS. **ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of North Carolina (FEMA–1871–DR), dated February 2, 2010, and related determinations.

DATES: Effective Date: February 2, 2010. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peggy Miller, Disaster Assistance Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–3886. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is

hereby given that, in a letter dated February 2, 2010, the President issued a major disaster declaration under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.* (the "Stafford Act"), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of North Carolina resulting from severe winter storms and flooding during the period of December 18– 25, 2009, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.* (the "Stafford Act"). Therefore, I declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of North Carolina.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide Public Assistance in the designated areas and Hazard Mitigation throughout the State. Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance is supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration for the approved assistance to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Administrator, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Michael Bolch, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this major disaster.

The following areas of the State of North Carolina have been designated as adversely affected by this major disaster:

Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Haywood, Jackson, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Watauga, and Yancey Counties for Public Assistance.

All counties within the State of North Carolina are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance Grant; 97.048, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households in Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas; 97.049, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance-Disaster Housing Operations for Individuals and Households; 97.050, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance to Individuals and Households-Other Needs; 97.036, Disaster Grants—Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters); 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant.

## W. Craig Fugate,

Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency. [FR Doc. 2010–3439 Filed 2–22–10; 8:45 am]

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

## **Coast Guard**

[Docket No. USCG-2009-1085]

# Public Workshop on Marine Technology and Standards

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), in coordination with the United States Coast Guard (USCG), is sponsoring a two-day public workshop in Washington DC on marine technology and standards. This public workshop will provide a unique opportunity for classification societies, industry groups, standards development organizations, government organizations, and other interested members of the public to come together for a professional exchange of information on topics ranging from the technological impact on the marine industry, corresponding coverage in related codes and standards, and government regulations. A related workshop was held in Arlington, VA, on June 3–4, 2008 (73 FR 25756, May 7, 2008), and this workshop will build upon many of the topics discussed there.

**DATES:** The two-day workshop will be held on Thursday, July 29, 2010, and Friday, July 30, 2010. The deadline for advance registration is Friday, July 16, 2010. If you are interested in presenting a paper at the workshop, you must submit a 100 word abstract to Mr. Joseph S. Brzuszkiewicz, Project Engineering Manager, ASME, by e-mail to *brzuszkiewiczj@asme.org.* Abstracts are due on or before March 1, 2010.

See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** below for other dates related to submission of abstracts, draft papers, and presentations, as well as more information on how to register for the workshop.

ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held at The Liaison Capitol Hill, An Affinia Hotel, located at 415 New Jersey Avenue, NW., in Washington, DC, approximately 3 blocks from Union Station. The hotel phone number is (202) 638-1616 and the hotel Web site is: http://www.affinia.com/Washington-DC-Hotel.aspx?name=Liaison-Capitol-Hill. For registration for this workshop or to obtain further information, visit the USCG Website at http:// www.uscg.mil/marine event. The docket for this notice is available for inspection or copying at 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. You may also find this docket on the Internet by going to http://www.regulations.gov, inserting USCG–2009–1085 in the "Keyword" box, and then clicking "Search."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this notice, contact Lieutenant Commander Rob Griffiths, Office of Design and Engineering Standards, USCG, telephone (202) 372–1367, e-mail *Robert.P.Griffiths@uscg.mil;* or contact Mr. Joseph S. Brzuszkiewicz, Project Engineering Manager, ASME, telephone (212) 591–8533, e-mail *brzuszkiewiczj@asme.org.* 

If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone (202) 366–9826.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## **Background and Purpose**

The ASME/USCG Workshop on Marine Technology and Standards provides a unique opportunity for classification societies, industry groups, standards development organizations, government agencies, and interested members of the public to come together for a professional exchange of information on topics ranging from the technological impact on the marine industry, corresponding coverage in related codes and standards, and government regulations.

The public workshop is sponsored by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), in coordination with the USCG Office of Design and Engineering Standards. ASME is a standards setting organization with wide-ranging volunteer committee membership, which includes USCG supported personnel who serve as members of various ASME committees in support of USCG missions in maritime safety and environmental protection. The USCG Office of Design and Engineering Standards is responsible for developing and promulgating national regulations and standards that govern the safe design and construction of ships and shipboard equipment, including hull structure, stability, electrical & mechanical systems, lifesaving and fire safety equipment, and related equipment approval and laboratory acceptance.

Topics for the 2010 workshop are listed below and include application of various marine technologies to promote green ships, such as safe and economical use of hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>) fuel cells to power ships with zero carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions and compressed natural gas (CNG) powered ships with reduced CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. This workshop will provide an opportunity for the public to provide expertise on technical matters affecting the marine industry and to improve future policymaking, standards development, and rulemaking, including discussion of possible regulatory changes to facilitate green ship technology. Public engagement on regulations and standards is important to enhance the overall effectiveness and improve the quality of our decisions. It also promotes greater transparency.

## **Topics of Meeting**

This workshop comprises a series of panel sessions over a two-day period covering a variety of topics, including: Green Ship Technology

- Hydrogen Fuel Cell Propulsion
- Standards for H<sub>2</sub> Storage and Delivery
  - Emission Cleaning Technology
  - CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Reduction
  - Gas Fueled Ships
  - CNG/LNG Technologies
  - Use of Biofuels

### **Offshore Marine Structures**

• Floating, Production, Storage and Offloading (FPSO) Units—Topside

- Floating Wind Turbines
- Deepwater Ports

 Diving Systems to Support Offshore Activities

## Codes & Standards

• Updates to ASME Code Section VIII, Divisions 2 and 3 regarding Rules of Construction for Pressure Vessels

- Use of ASME Code Section XII— Transport Tanks
  - Limit Design for Pressure Vessels
- ASME Code Section X on Fiber-Reinforced Plastic Pressure Vessels for
- **CNG** Transport

• ASME Code for Pressure Vessels for Human Occupancy (PVHO)

## Material Selection for the Marine Environment

- Nonmetallic Materials for
- Shipboard Equipment
  - Composite Pressure Vessels
  - Coating Selection

Risk/Hazard Mitigation

- Transporting CNG as Cargo
- Shipboard Fire Safety for Green Ship/Emerging Technology
- Maintenance and Inservice
  Inspection

## Regulatory/Classification/Governmental Issues

- Rulemaking Process/Future Actions
- Regulatory Gaps Pertaining to
- Technological Advancements
- Adoption of Standards in Regulations
  - Updates on Classification Issues
  - OMB Circular A 119
- Emerging Technologies

• Ballast Water Management Systems Standardization

## **Call for Papers**

## Abstracts

If you are interested in presenting a paper on one or more topics listed above, submit a 100 word abstract to Mr. Joseph S. Brzuszkiewicz, Project Engineering Manager, ASME, by e-mail to *brzuszkiewiczj@asme.org.* Abstracts are due on or before March 1, 2010, and should also contain the title of your paper, name of each author/co-author, name of each presenter and affiliation to author/co-author, as well as the title, address, phone number, facsimile number, and e-mail address for each named individual.

#### Draft Papers and Presentations

If you receive notification from us that your abstract is accepted, you may then submit a draft paper and presentation to Lieutenant Commander Rob Griffiths, Office of Design and Engineering Standards, USCG, by e-mail to *Robert.P.Griffiths@uscg.mil.* Draft papers are due on or before April 9, 2010, with final papers, formatted and ready for publication, due on or before June 7, 2010. Presentations are also due on or before June 7, 2010.

### Web Sites

For additional information on this workshop, visit the USCG Web site at *http://www.uscg.mil/marine event.* 

#### Registration

To register for this workshop, visit the USCG Web Site listed above in Web Sites. While the workshop is open to the public, meeting space is limited by room capacity. Since seating is limited, we ask anyone interested in attending the workshop to register in advance. The deadline for advance registration is Friday, July 16, 2010. Registration on the first day of the workshop will be permitted on a space-available basis. The registration fee for this event is USD\$300. The registration fee includes admission for one person to each panel session for the two day event, several coffee breaks, and a reception on the first day of the event.

#### Proceedings

Material presented at the workshop will be made available to the public on the USCG Web Site listed above in Web Sites for 30 days after the conclusion of this event. For additional information on material presented at this event, you may contact one of the individuals listed above in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT. Summaries of comments made and materials presented will be available on the docket at the conclusion of this event. To view the docket, see instructions above in ADDRESSES.

#### Privacy Act

Anyone can search the electronic form of comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review a Privacy Act, system of records notice regarding our public dockets in the January 17, 2008, issue of the **Federal Register** (73 FR 3316).

#### Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

Persons with disabilities who require special assistance should advise us of their anticipated special needs as early as possible by contacting Mr. Joseph S. Brzuszkiewicz, Project Engineering Manager, ASME, telephone (212) 591– 8533, e-mail brzuszkiewiczj@asme.org.

#### Adjournment

Please note that the workshop may adjourn early if all business is finished.

Adjourn early if all business is finishe Authority: This notice is issued under

authority of 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 14 U.S.C. 93(a)(4).

Dated: February 16, 2010.

## J. G. Lantz,

Director of Commercial Regulations and Standards, U.S. Coast Guard. [FR Doc. 2010–3473 Filed 2–22–10; 8:45 am]

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

#### **National Park Service**

## 30-Day Federal Register Notice of Intention To Request Clearance of Collection of Information; Opportunity for Public Comment

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior. **ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. 3507) and 5 CFR part 1320, Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements, the National Park Service (NPS) invites comments on an extension of a currently approved information collection clearance Office of Management and Budget (OMB) #1024-0232. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The NPS published a 60-day notice to solicit public comments on this ICR in the Federal Register on Wednesday, November 4, 2009 (74 FR 57188). The comment period closed on January 4, 2010. No comments were received on this notice. **DATES:** Public comments on the Information Collection Request (ICR) will be accepted on or before March 25, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments directly to the Desk Officer for the

Department of the Interior (OMB #0124– 0232), Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), by fax at 202/395–5806, or by electronic mail at *oira\_docket@omb.eop.gov*. Please also mail or hand carry a copy of your comments to Diane Miller, National Manager, National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Program, National Park Service, Midwest Regional Office, 601 Riverfront Drive, Omaha, Nebraska 68102 or via fax at 402/661–1982.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Diane Miller, Midwest Regional Office, National Park Service, 601 Riverfront Drive, Omaha, Nebraska 68102 or via fax at 402/661–1982. You are entitled to a copy of the entire ICR package free-ofcharge. You may access this ICR at *http://www.reginfo.gov/public/.* 

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*OMB Control Number:* 1024–0232. *Title:* NPS National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Application.

*Form:* National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Application.

Expiration Date: 2/28/2010. Type of request: Extension of a

currently approved information collection.

Description of need: The NPS has identified guidelines and criteria for associated elements to qualify for the Network. The application form documents sites, programs, and facilities and demonstrates that they meet the criteria established for inclusion. The documentation will be incorporated into a database that will be available to the general public for information purposes. The proposed information to be collected regarding these sites, facilities, and programs is not available from existing records, sources, or observations. (National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Act of 1998).

*Affected public:* The affected public are State, tribal, and local governments, non-profit organizations, and individuals throughout the United States. Nominations to the Network are voluntary.

*Obligation to Respond:* Required to obtain a benefit.

*Frequency of response:* On occasion. *Estimated total annual responses:* 60.

*Estimated average completion time per response:* 25.

*Estimated annual reporting burden:* 1500 hours.

*Estimated annual nonhour cost burden:* None.

*Comments are invited on:* (1) The practical utility of the information being