

DEPARTMENT OF STATE**[Public Notice No. 3435]****Shipping Coordinating Committee, Subcommittee on Ship Design and Equipment; Meeting Notice**

The Shipping Coordinating Committee will conduct an open meeting at 9:30 am on Thursday, November 16, 2000, in Room 6319, at U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 2nd Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. The purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the forty-fourth session of the Subcommittee on Ship Design and Equipment of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) which is scheduled for March 5-9, 2001, at IMO Headquarters in London, England.

Among other things, items of particular interest are: revision of resolutions MEPC.60(33) and A.586(14) regarding pollution prevention equipment; asbestos-related problems on board ships; casualty analysis; development of guidelines for ships operating in ice-covered waters; low-powered radio homing devices for liferafts on ro-ro passenger ships; use of desalinators on liferafts and lifeboats; improved thermal protection; amendments to resolution A.744(18) regarding guidelines on the enhanced program of inspections during surveys of bulk carriers and oil tankers; revision of the Interim Standards for ship maneuverability; and guidelines under Annex VI of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL).

IMO works to develop international agreements, guidelines, and standards for the marine industry. In most cases, these form the basis for class society rules and national standards/regulations. Such an open meeting supports the U.S. Representative to the IMO Subcommittee in developing the U.S. position on those issues raised at the IMO Subcommittee meetings. This open meeting serves as an excellent forum for the public to express their ideas and participate in the international rulemaking process. All members of the public are encouraged to attend or send representatives to participate in the development of U.S. positions on those issues affecting your maritime industry and remain abreast of all activities ongoing within the IMO.

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. Interested persons may seek information by writing: Mr. Wayne Lundy, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, Commandant (G-MSE-3), 2100 2nd

Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001 or by calling: (202) 267-2206.

Dated: October 10, 2000.

Stephen Miller,

Executive Secretary, Shipping Coordinating Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE**[Public Notice No. 3436]****Shipping Coordinating Committee; Maritime Safety Committee; Notice of Meeting**

The Shipping Coordinating Committee will conduct an open meeting at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, November 21, 2000, in Room 2415, at U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 2nd Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. The purpose of this meeting will be to finalize preparations for the 73rd Session of the Maritime Safety Committee, and associated bodies of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), which is scheduled for November 27-December 6, 2000, at IMO Headquarters in London. At this meeting, papers received and the draft U.S. positions will be discussed.

Among other things, the items of particular interest are:

- Large passenger ship safety.
- Adoption of amendments to the International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea.
- Bulk carrier safety.
- Mandatory application of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code.
- Piracy and armed robbery against ships.
- Reports of five subcommittees-Flag State implementation; Bulk liquids and gases; Safety of navigation; ship design and equipment; and stability, loadlines and fishing vessels.

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. Interested persons may seek information by writing to Mr. Joseph J. Angelo, Commandant (G-MS), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 2nd Street, SW., Room 1218, Washington, DC 20593-0001 or by calling (202) 267-2970.

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TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY**Meeting of the Regional Resource Stewardship Council**

AGENCY: Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Regional Resource Stewardship Council (Regional Council) will hold a meeting to consider various matters. Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2 (FACA).

The meeting agenda includes the following/briefings:

1. GAO's report on alternative river management operations.

2. Impact of environmental stewardship decision on distributor customers.

3. Public comments.

4. Impact of instream flows upon navigation.

5. Impact of land management practices on water quality.

It is the Regional Council's practice to provide an opportunity for members of the public to make oral public comments at its meetings. Public comment session is scheduled from 11 a.m.—noon EDT. Members of the public who wish to make oral public comments may do so during the Public comments portion of the agenda. Up to one hour will be allotted for the public comments with participation available on a first-come, first-served basis. Speakers addressing the Council are requested to limit their remarks to no more than 5 minutes. Persons wishing to speak register at the door and are then called on by the Council Chair during the public comment period. Hand-out materials should be limited to one printed page.

Written comments are also invited and may be mailed to the Regional Resource Stewardship Council, Tennessee Valley Authority, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, WT 11A, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 1, 2000, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in Knoxville, Tennessee, at the Tennessee Valley Authority, West Tower, First Floor, Auditorium, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902, and will be open to the public. Anyone needing special access or accommodations should let the contact below know at least a week in advance.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandra L. Hill, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, WT 11A, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902, (865) 632-2333.