

certifies that the rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. Small entities include small businesses, small organizations, and small governmental jurisdictions.

For purposes of assessing the impacts of today's notice on small entities, small entity is defined as: (1) A small business; (2) a small governmental jurisdiction that is a government of a city, county, town, school district or special district with a population of less than 50,000; and (3) a small organization that is any not-for-profit enterprise which is independently owned and operated and is not dominant in its field.

After considering the economic impacts of today's notice on small entities, we are certifying that this action will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. In determining whether a rule has a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities, the impact of concern is any significant adverse economic impact on small entities, since the primary purpose of the regulatory flexibility analyses is to identify and address regulatory alternatives "which minimize any significant economic impact of the proposed rule on small entities." 5 U.S.C. 603 and 604. Thus, an agency may certify that a rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities if the rule relieves regulatory burden, or otherwise has a positive economic effect on small entities subject to the rule. Today's notice is specifically intended to be de-regulatory and to reduce, not increase, the paperwork and related burdens of the RCRA hazardous waste program. For businesses in general, including all small businesses, the changes would reduce the labor time and other costs of preparing, keeping records of, and submitting reports to the agency. The notice also reduces the frequency by which businesses must conduct specified recordkeeping and reporting activities. It also eliminates recordkeeping and reporting requirements, thereby streamlining facilities' compliance activities. Finally, the rule increases flexibility in how waste handlers may comply with the regulations. We therefore conclude that today's notice relieves regulatory burden for small entities. We continue to be interested in the potential impacts of the notice on small entities and welcome comments on issues related to such impacts.

Dated: October 17, 2003.

Robert Springer,

Director, Office of Solid Waste.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Notice of Agreements Filed

The Commission hereby gives notice of the filing of the following agreements under the Shipping Act of 1984. Interested parties can review or obtain copies of agreements at the Washington, DC offices of the Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., Room 940. Interested parties may submit comments on an agreement to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573, within 10 days of the date this notice appears in the **Federal Register**.

Agreement Nos.: 010050-012.

Title: U.S. Flag Discussion Agreement.

Parties: American President Lines, Ltd. and A.P. Moller-Maersk A/S.

Synopsis: The amendment expands the geographic scope of the agreement to include ports in Africa and Eastern Europe and updates Maersk Sealand's name.

Agreement No.: 011075-064.

Title: Central America Discussion Agreement.

Parties: APL Co. Pte Ltd.; A.P. Moller-Maersk A/S; Crowley Liner Services, Inc.; Dole Ocean Cargo Express; King Ocean Services Limited; and Seaboard Marine, Ltd.

Synopsis: The amendment adds Lykes Lines Limited, LLC as a party to the agreement.

Agreement No.: 011865.

Title: CMA-CGM/LT Amerigo Express MUS Slot Charter Agreement.

Parties: CMA CGM, S.A. and Lloyd Triestino di Navigazione S.p.A.

Synopsis: The proposed agreement would authorize CMA CGM to charter space to Lloyd Triestino in the trade between the East Coast of the United States and the western Mediterranean Sea.

Dated: October 24, 2003.

By Order of the Federal Maritime Commission

Bryant L. VanBrakle,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) publishes a list of information collection requests under review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35). To request a copy of these requests, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer at (404) 498-1210. Send written comments to CDC, Desk Officer, Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, or by fax to (202) 395-6974. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

Proposed Project: National Public Health Performance Standards Program Local Public Health Governance Performance Assessment Instrument—Revision—Public Health Practice Program Office (PHPPO), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

CDC received approval for this data collection February 19, 2002. This request seeks approval for a revised evaluation document. The previous instrument included 23 open-ended questions. The revised instrument includes 13 questions, the majority of which are close-ended. This revised instrument will provide us better data for the purposes of analysis and elicit more valuable information for improving the instruments in the future. Additionally, the revised evaluation is similar to the evaluations included in the State Public Health System and Local Public Health System Performance Assessment Instruments (0920-0557 and 0920-0555), thus offering more opportunities for cross-analysis.

Background

Since 1998, the CDC National Public Health Performance Standards Program has convened workgroups with the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO), the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO), the National Association of Local Boards of Health (NALBOH), the American Public Health Association (APHA), and the Public Health Foundation (PHF) to develop performance standards for public health systems based on the ten Essential