address one or more of the following four points:

- (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, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (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, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Överview of this Information Collection:

- (1) Type of Information Collection: Extension of an existing information collection.
- (2) Title of the Form/Collection: Petition for Qualifying Family Member of a U–1 Nonimmigrant.
- (3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection: Form I–929; U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).
- (4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Individuals or households. Section 245(m) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (Act) allows certain qualifying family members who have never held U nonimmigrant status to seek lawful permanent residence or apply for immigrant visas.

Before such family members may apply for adjustment of status or seek immigrant visas, the U–1 nonimmigrant who has been granted adjustment of status must file an immigrant petition on behalf of the qualifying family member using Form I–929. Form I–929 is necessary for USCIS to make a determination that the eligibility requirements and conditions are met regarding the qualifying family member.

- (5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: 2,000 responses at 1 hour per response.
- (6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 2,000 annual burden hours.

If you need a copy of the information collection instrument, please visit the Web site at: http://www.regulations.

We may also be contacted at: USCIS, Regulatory Products Division, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20529–2210, Telephone number 202–272–8377.

March 1, 2010.

Stephen Tarragon,

Deputy Chief, Regulatory Products Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2010-0025]

Revision to Navigation and Inspection Circular 11–93, Change 3 (NVIC 11–93 CH–3), Applicability of Tonnage Measurement Systems to U.S. Flag Vessels

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of policy revision and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is developing a revision to NVIC 11-93 CH-3 Applicability of Tonnage Measurement Systems to U.S. Flag Vessels to update the document and improve its usefulness. We are seeking public suggestions for changes to the current revision to NVIC 11-93 CH-3 and comments on the proposed revisions listed in the purpose section of this notice. The public is encouraged to suggest discussion of any international conventions, Federal regulations, or definitions that are not currently addressed. Moreover, the Coast Guard requests that the public provide suggestions on definitions or tables included in the NVIC 11-93 CH-3 to make them clearer or address additional tonnage applicability issues not currently covered by the NVIC 11-93 CH-3.

DATES: Comments and related material must either be submitted to our online docket via *http://www.regulations.gov* on or before April 5, 2010 or reach the Docket Management Facility by that date.

ADDRESSES: This notice and NVIC 11–93 CH–3 are available in the docket and can be viewed by going to http://www.regulations.gov, inserting USCG–2010–0025 in the "Keyword" box, and then clicking "Search." You may submit

comments identified by docket number USCG-2010-0025 using any one of the following methods:

(1) Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov.

(2) Fax: 202–493–2251.

- (3) Mail: Docket Management Facility (M–30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590–0001.
- (4) Hand delivery: Same as mail address above, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202–366–9329.

To avoid duplication, please use only one of these four methods. See the "Public Participation and Request for Comments" portion of the

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section below for instructions on submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this notice, call or e-mail Marcus Akins, Marine Safety Center, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 202–475–3349, e-mail marcus.j.akins@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–366–9826.

Public Participation and Request for

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments

We encourage you to submit comments and related material on revisions to NVIC 11–93 CH–3. All comments received will be posted, without change, to http://www.regulations.gov and will include any personal information you have provided. A copy of the current version of NVIC 11–93 CH–3 may be accessed electronically as part of this docket or at http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cg5/nvic/pdf/1993/CH–3 11–93.pdf.

Submitting comments: If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this notice (USCG–2010–0025) and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation. You may submit your comments and material online, or by fax, mail or hand delivery, but please use only one of these means. We recommend that you include your name and a mailing address, an e-mail address, or a phone number in the body of your document so that we can contact you if we have questions regarding your submission.

To submit your comment online, go to http://www.regulations.gov, click on the "submit a comment" box, which will then become highlighted in blue. In the

"Document Type" drop-down menu, select "Notices" and insert "USCG—2010–0025" in the "Keyword" box. Click "Search," then click on the balloon shape in the "Actions" column. If you submit your comments by mail or hand delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½; by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you submit them by mail and would like to know that they reached the Facility, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

Viewing the comments: To view the comments, go to http:// www.regulations.gov, click on the "read comments" box, which will then become highlighted in blue. In the "Keyword" box insert "USCG-2010-0025" and click "Search." Click the "Open Docket Folder" in the "Actions" column. If you do not have access to the internet, you may view the docket online by visiting the Docket Management Facility in Room W12–140 on the ground floor of the Department of Transportation West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. We have an agreement with the Department of Transportation to use the Docket Management Facility.

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).

Background and Purpose

NVIC 11-93, which was last revised in November 2003, provides guidance on tonnages used for documentation purposes and the applicability of a vessel's tonnage assignment under domestic regulatory and international tonnage measurement systems to both domestic regulations and international standards. It also clarifies the applicability of U.S. tonnage measurement systems to U.S. flag vessels based on vessel type, length, service, and vessel keel laid date or date of last substantial alteration. Definitions of frequently used terms, including convention length and deck cargo are provided to ensure consistency for users of NVIC 11-93.

Since its latest revision, multiple regulations and standards with tonnage thresholds, such as Non-Tank Vessel Response Plans, Long Range Identification Tracking System, and the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) Annex VI, have come into force. To reflect these developments and incorporate updates of an administrative nature, the Coast Guard is considering the following changes:

- (1) Adding new enclosures discussing the implications of tonnage changes that result from vessel alterations, changes in vessel service, or the addition of temporary deck equipment. This would include discussion of loss of tonnage grandfathering provisions under Article 3(2)(d) of the 1969 International Tonnage Convention and associated interim schemes for the Safety of Life At Sea (SOLAS) and Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) international conventions.
- (2) Amending Section 2 of Enclosure 1. The Coast Guard would clarify the definition of the terms, "overall length" and "remeasurement," to provide more detail on their applicability. We would also add the terms, "registered length" and "alternate tonnage."
- (3) Providing additional examples of tonnage application. The Coast Guard will provide examples of tonnage application that are reflective of newly implemented domestic regulations and international standards.
- (4) Amending Tables 5, 6, and 7 of Enclosure 1. The Coast Guard will revise language in Tables 5, 6, and 7 to more comprehensively address international tonnage grandfathering provisions, and reflect the correct date that MARPOL came into force.
- (5) Incorporating administrative changes such as updating contact information and making editorial corrections.

Request for Comments

The Coast Guard requests your general comments on the revision under consideration. We also seek comments on any or all of the specific proposed revisions for NVIC 11–93 CH–3. We encourage suggestions for specific examples of tonnage grandfathering, remeasurement, or the use of interim schemes. Written comments and responses will be added to the docket number for this notice (USCG–2010–0025). The Coast Guard intends to review and analyze all comments received in order to develop the next revision to NVIC 11–93.

Authority: This notice is issued under authority of 5 U.S.C. 552 and 46 U.S.C. 14301.

Dated: February 19, 2010.

Jeff Lantz,

Director, Commercial Regulations and Standards, U.S. Coast Guard.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG-2010-0074]

South Texas Area Maritime Security (STAMS) Committee; Vacancies

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Solicitation for membership.

SUMMARY: This notice requests individuals interested in serving on the South Texas Area Maritime Security (STAMS) Committee to submit their application for membership to the Captain of the Port, Corpus Christi, Texas.

DATES: Requests for membership should reach the Corpus Christi Captain of the Port on or before April 15, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Requests for membership should be submitted to the Captain of the Port at the following address: Commander, USCG Sector Corpus Christi, 8930 Ocean Drive, Hangar 41, Corpus Christi, Texas 78419.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions about submitting an application or about the STAMSC in general, contact Mr. John Zarbock at 361–888–3162 (X501).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

Section 102 of the Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA) of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-295) added section 70112 to Title 46 of the U.S. Code, and authorized the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating to establish Area Maritime Security Advisory Committees for any port area of the United States. (See 33 U.S.C. 1226; 46 U.S.C.; 33 CFR 1.05-1, 6.01; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1). The MTSA includes a provision exempting these Area Maritime Security (AMS) Committees from the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-436, 86 Stat. 470 (5 U.S.C. App. 2). The AMSCs shall assist the Captain of the Port in the review, update, and exercising of the AMS Plan for their area of responsibility. Such matters may include, but are not limited to: Identifying critical port infrastructure and operations; Identifying risks